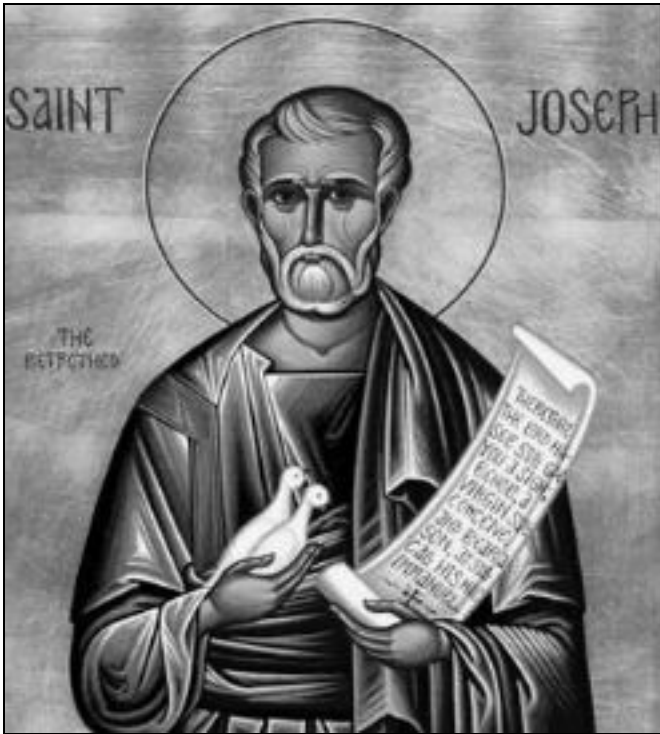


Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

Sunday, December 29, 2019 - Afterfeast of the Nativity

28TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 3

Holy Righteous Ones: Joseph the Betrothed, David the King, and James the Brother of the Lord.



Hymns for Today

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world // great mercy.

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, has shone to the world the light of wisdom! For by it, those who worshipped the stars, were taught by a star to adore Thee, the Sun of righteousness, and to know Thee, the Orient from on high. // O Lord, glory to Thee!

Proclaim the wonder, O Joseph, to David, the ancestor of God; thou hast seen a Virgin great with child; and thou didst give glory with the shepherds; thou didst worship with the Magi, and didst receive the news from the Angel. // Pray to Christ God to save our souls!

Today godly David is filled with joy; Joseph and James offer praise. The glorious crown of their kinship with Christ fills them with great joy. They sing praises to the One ineffably born on earth, and they cry out: "O Compassionate One, save those who honor Thee!"

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One, and the earth offers a cave to the Unapproachable One. Angels with shepherds glorify Him; the Wise Men journey with the star, // since for our sake the eternal God was born as a little Child!

Epistle Reading - Galatians 1:11-19

But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 2:13-23

Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him." When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod, that it

DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from Holy Trinity Orthodox Church. According to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive the Holy Sacrament through prayer and fasting.

might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son." Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: "A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, refusing to be comforted, because they are no more." Now when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the young Child's life are dead." Then he arose, took the young Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea instead of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And being warned by God in a dream, he turned aside into the region of Galilee. And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, "He shall be called a Nazarene."

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TODAY: 9:00 AM - 3rd & 6th Hours (8:40AM), Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour, NO Church School or Adult Ed

TUES: DEC 31, 6:00 PM - Vespers Divine Liturgy for Circumcision of Our Lord and Feast of St. Basil the Great

WED: January 1st, 2020 - NO Divine Liturgy

SAT: Jan 4, 4:00 PM - Great Vespers

SUN: Jan 5, 9:00 AM - 3rd & 6th Hours (8:40AM), Divine Liturgy, Holy Theophany Compline, Holy Supper

MON: Jan 6, 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy for Theophany

PLEASE NOTE:

Holy Theophany Compline & Holy Supper

will be held directly after Divine Liturgy Next Sunday.
Bring your favorite Traditional Lenten Holy Supper Dish!

Attendance & Donations - 12/22/19

Attendance: 95 | Regular: \$1491
Improvements: \$540 | Candles: \$166

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Living: Cynthia Dulsky, Josie Bisset, Theodore & Elenor Sovryda, Nancy Valletta & Family, Nadine Breisch, Luke Austin, Susan Goobic Howell, Rosalie Bagenski

Departed: Gary Pozza, Katherine, Amelia

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Peter Holoviak, Dan Bisset Jr., David L. Clark, Nora L. Clark, Joan Austin, Stephen Dutko, Susan Goobic Howell, Christa Talpash, Lydia Dutko, Nina Grymko, Jeri Basarab, Mary Ann Kudey, Dolores Rilko, Andrew Conklin, Andrew Kondratick, Kellie DiBattista, Anessa Cardoni

Calling all Parishioners!

INTRODUCTION TO DIVINE LITURGY

A brief intro to the Liturgy w/ Fr. Innocent
NEXT CLASS - JANUARY 12

NEXT WEEK

RUSSIAN CHRISTMAS PARTY

January 7 at 6 PM at the Russian Club.
Bring your favorite dish to share.

POTATO PANCAKE SALE

This Friday!

January 3rd, 11-5 // \$1 Per Pancake

VISITATION PROGRAM FOR SHUT-INS, ELDERLY, & SICK: Holy Trinity will begin a structured visitation program for our elder parishioners who are no longer able to be at Church or participate in our community. If you are interested, please sign up in the vestibule or speak with Fr. Innocent.