



Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

Sunday, September 15, 2019

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. Afterfeast of Elevation.



50th Anniversary of the Dedication of Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

A Warm Welcome to His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon, His Eminence Abp Mark, His Eminence Abp David, Clergy, Monastics, Matushkas, Holy Resurrection Cathedral and ALL the Faithful!



Hymns for Today

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy!”

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance! Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries; and by virtue of Thy Cross, // preserve Thy habitation!

Thou didst defeat error and didst triumph in martyrdom, Nicetas, namesake of victory; for thou didst conquer the ranks of the enemy and ended thy contest by fire. // Pray to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy!

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, // He has risen on the third day!

Thou didst stand firm and didst defeat delusion and hast received thy martyr’s crown, Nicetas, namesake of victory; thou art rejoicing with the Angels, together with them thou art praying unceasingly to Christ God for us all.

As Thou wast voluntarily raised upon the Cross for our sake, grant mercy to those who are called by Thy Name, O Christ God; make all Orthodox Christians glad by thy pow’r, granting them victories over their adversaries // by bestowing on them the invincible trophy, Thy weapon of peace!

Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 16:13-24

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. I urge you, brethren – you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints – that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us. I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied. For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men. The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. The salutation with my own hand – Paul’s. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 21:33-42

Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased

it to vinedressers and went into a far country. Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?" They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TODAY @ 9 AM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
w/ Fellowship Reception
NOON – Grand Anniversary Banquet
at E. Mountain Holiday Inn
WED: Sept 18, 6:30 AM – Divine Liturgy
6:30PM – Bible Study
SAT: Sept 21, 6:00 PM – Great Vespers
SUN: Sept 22, 9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy, Coffee
Hour, Church School Committee & Teacher Meeting

Attendance & Donations – 9/8/19

Attendance: 81 | Regular: \$1311
Improvements: \$327 | Candles: \$125

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Living: Cynthia Dulsky, Josie Bisset, Joan Belcher,
Theodore & Elenor Sovryda, Nancy Valletta & Family,
Danny Donlick, Luke Austin
Departed: Archbishop Nikon, Michael Martin,
Melania Gulla

PLEASE NOTE:

COMBINED COLLECTION TODAY FOR HOLY TRINITY & HOLY RESURRECTION

We are so grateful for the opportunity to celebrate our 50th Anniversary with our sister parish, Holy Resurrection Cathedral. When making a donation please place it in an envelope (at the candle stand) and designate which parish it is for, Holy Trinity OR Holy Resurrection. Regular parish envelopes will also be collected and separated after the service for each parish.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: The study begins each Wednesday at 6:30pm and lasts 1 hour. We will end the study with a selection of evening prayers. The focus of this first study is *The Parables of Our Lord*.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Annual Parish Meeting – September 29th following Divine Liturgy.

HOLY TRINITY FOOD DRIVE: September 1st through September 29th. Bring your donations to the church basement. We are collecting **ONLY** the following: Peanut Butter, Canned Tuna, Canned Chicken, Canned Green Beans, Pasta, Cheerios, any flavor, Instant Boxed Mashed Potatoes. This food drive benefits Ebenezer Harvest Assembly Food Pantry, Miners Mills. See Eva King with questions.

KIDS CAMPOUT: Kids campout on the church property will be October 18th with altar boy retreat on the 19th. More details to come!

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP DAY: There will be a clean-up day for the Holy Resurrection Cemetery on William St in Plains, scheduled for Sat, September 28th, (rain date October 5th). The goal is to trim back overgrown brush and generally tidy up the Cemetery grounds. Starts 9:00am to 1:00pm. Items such as pruning shears or loppers, gas-powered weed whackers or hedge trimmers, and rakes would be helpful. Light refreshments will be provided.

DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: *A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from Holy Trinity Orthodox Church. Please be advised that 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. Thank you!*