



Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

50th Anniversary Newsletter – Sunday, July 12th, 2019

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Newsletter #3

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It is hard to believe that we are already nearly half-way through the month of July in our 50th Year! We've already celebrated 7 Feasts in 2019: Circumcision of Christ; Theophany; Meeting of Christ in the Temple; Annunciation; Great and Holy Pascha; Ascension; and Holy Pentecost. Also, our side-by-side work efforts have enabled us to successfully complete the very important work that helps to sustain our parish through fundraising efforts such as Pierogi Projects, Ethnic Food Sales, Election Day Food Sale, Pulled Pork Dinner and more, while also contributing our time, talent and treasure to caring for the gift of our buildings and property through renovations, repairs, outside caretaking, inside cleaning, and so much more. All of this effort, combines with fulfilling our roles within the Divine Services: Being there early to help with preparation for the services, caring to ensure candles are ready, greeting our visitors, handling requests for help and the questions that arise at the candle stand, serving in the Altar, raising voice to praise God in the choir, offering coffee hour, and the quiet unseen things that we do, which are only seen by God.

While our efforts to care for what we have has been diligent, we also find time to enjoy time with one another as a Church Family for welcome times such as our Yolka, Appreciation Dinners, Harvest Dinners, Pancake and Sausage Breakfasts, Cookie Sales, Mission Services, Pentecost Celebrations, Special Events, and just going out for pizza! Well, this is what families do!

While we are blessed with many more opportunities to be together in worship, work, and fellowship than what is briefly mentioned here, it is a joy to reflect on all that we've shared during just six months this year! It is no wonder as to why we are in our 50th year!

Please take a few minutes to read this little newsletter – It will provide important reminders and information about the upcoming 50th Anniversary activities, timeline and celebration in September. As always, please feel free to contact Deborah Mills with any questions that emerge over the next few months.

In Christ,
Father Innocent Neal and 50th Anniversary Committee

Due August 1, 2019 Place Your Page in our 50th Book!

To reserve page or partial page in our 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book, please see Deborah Mills after Divine Services, email electronic items to dmilz9@ptd.net or mail your Reservation Form, pictures, artwork to Deborah K. Mills, 31 Brazil Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705. Extra Reservation Forms are available in the vestibule.

Feel free to call 570-239-4406 with any questions!

50th Family Portraits –To schedule a special date, do so by 07/16!

As advertised since May, we retained a photographer to take formal group and family portrait photographs for our 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book, for the past six (6) weeks. If for some reason you were unable to participate in this initiative and still wish to place a formal picture along with your Book Reservation, please see Deborah Mills after Divine Services, email her at dmilz9@ptd.net or call/text her on the mobile 570-239-4406.



50th Weekend Agenda
Holy Trinity Orthodox Church - 50th Anniversary Celebration
September 13th – 15th 2019

Friday – September 13, 2019 – Forefeast of the Exaltation of the Precious Cross

- 6:00pm - Great Vespers with Litya
- Location – Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 401 East Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa 18705

Saturday – September 14, 2019 – Exaltation of the Precious Cross

- 9:00am – Divine Liturgy
- 6:00pm – Great Vespers
- 7:00pm – Fellowship Reception directly after Great Vespers – Strict Fast Day
- Location – Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 401 East Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa 18705

Sunday – September 15, 2019 – Exaltation of the Precious Cross

- 9:00am – Hierarchal Divine Liturgy – His Eminence Metropolitan Tikhon presiding
- 10:45am – Fellowship Reception – Directly after Divine Liturgy
- Location – Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 401 East Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa 18705
- 12:00noon – Grand Anniversary Banquet
 - 12:00 noon - Cocktail Hour with Hors d'oeuvres
 - 1:00pm - Banquet
 - 1:45pm – Formal Program Begins
- Location
 Holiday Inn Wilkes Barre - East Mountain, 600 Wildflower Drive, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702
 Phone: 570-822-1011 Fax: 570-822-6072
 Email: hiwilkesbarre@hiwilkesbarre.com Web: <http://www.hiwilkesbarre.com>

For questions and additional information, kindly contact: Reverend Innocent Neal, Rector - Telephone: 570-825-6540 or Deborah Mills, Secretary – Telephone: 570-822-5975 Mobile: 570-239-4406
Formal invitations providing banquet details will be provided in a forthcoming July communication.

Upcoming activities on our parish calendar

June	10 & 11	Perogie Bazaar Prep & Sale	October	13	Church Council Meeting
July	14	Church Council Meeting	October	TBD	Appreciation Brunch
July	27 & 28	Annual Bazaar	November	10	Church Council Meeting
August	11	Church Council Meeting	November	TBD	Election Day Food Sale
September	8	Church Council Meeting	November	11 & 12	Perogie Prep & Sale
September	9 & 10	Perogie Prep & Sale	November	TBD	Harvest Dinner
September	15	50th Anniversary Banquet	November	18 & 19	Perogie Prep & Sale
October	7 & 8	Perogie Prep & Sale	December	8	Church Council Meeting
October	11 & 12	Fr Barnabus Visit	December	TBD	Cookie Sale

Hotel Information – Weekend of September 13th – 15th

A block of rooms is reserved for anyone who wishes to stay in Wilkes-Barre overnight during the 50th Celebration Weekend: Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham Wilkes Barre
www.wyndhamhotels.com - 1185 Rt 315, Wilkes Barre, PA 18702 - (570) 970-3760
Please contact Deborah Mills by email dmilz9@ptd.net or call/text her on the mobile 570-239-4406.