



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of December 13 - 19, 2009 ❖ 27th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Forefathers & St. Herman, Wonderworker of Alaska ❖ Tone 2*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Col. 3:4-11 & Gal. 5:22-6:2

BRETHREN: When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

BRETHREN: the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Luke 14:16-24 & Luke 6:17-23

THE LORD SPOKE THIS PARABLE:

"A man once gave a banquet and invited many, and sent his servant at supper time to say to those

who were invited, 'Come, for all things are now ready.' But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.' Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.' And the servant said, 'Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.' Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper.'"

AT THAT TIME: Jesus stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all. Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: Blessed are you poor, For yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, For you shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, For you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, And when they exclude you, And revile you, and cast out your name as evil, For the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven, For in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.

DAILY READINGS:

Dec 14th
2Tim. 2:20-26
Mark 8:11-21
Dec 15th
2Tim. 3:16-4:4
Mark 8:22-26
Dec 16th
Heb. 1:1-12
Mark 8:30-34
Dec 17th
Gal. 4:4-7
Mark 9:10-16
Dec 18th
Heb. 2:11-18
Mark 9:33-41
Dec 19th
1Tim. 6:11-16
Luke 14:1-11

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 13th
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour -

Tuesday, December 15th
Visitation: Jerome Home & Arbor Rose (for communion)
9:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 17th
Visitation: Middlewoods & Apple Rehab (for communion)
9:30 a.m.
Confession 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 19th
Choir Rehearsal 2:15 p.m.
Vespers 4:00 p.m. - Confession

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday December 13th	Sunday December 20th
Greeter: D. Dounouk	Greeter: D. Dounouk
Cleaning: Bartos	Cleaning: Bartos
Coffee: Dan & Jenn	Coffee: Wanik

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 3,130
YTD: \$122,310[85.6%]
YTDGoal:\$142,957.50
(49 wks) [\$ 2917.50/wk]



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Homemade Baked goods:** Today the Sisterhood is selling homemade, frozen, unbaked apple & peach pies together with homemade Christmas Cookies. Pies cost: \$10. Come downstairs and pick up some treats for your family celebration.



◆ **Stewardship:** We are now down to the last four weeks of the year and it is time for **all of us** to look at our financial obligation to HTOC. As of this past Sunday we are at **85.6%** of our needed income dropping from a high of over 97% back on the 19th week. This should be a time of “**catching up**” not falling farther behind.

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Luke 12:34)

◆ **Greeters, cleaners and Coffee**

Hour hosts: Sign-up sheets for Greeters and Cleaners for the first half of 2010 are on the bulletin board. Please sign-up today to help next year. See Phyllis Bartos who will have the 2010 Coffee Hour host sign-up sheet. Your stewardship of time and effort is greatly appreciated.



“For the sick and suffering”

John Steffick Leonid Matyschysk
Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS -
Johnstown, PA)
Archpriest William DuBovik (All Saints,
Hartford)
Protodeacon Simeon Kopcha (Father of
Mat. Melanie Koles)
child Timothy Armstrong Jr. (Great-
nephew of Ann Myszka)
Judy Flood (Sister-in-Law of
Rosemary Delaney)
Joan Anderson (Sister-in-Law of
Rosemary Delaney)
Justin Waleski (Friend of
Rosemary Delaney)
Andrew Eames (Friend of
Rosemary Delaney)
Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)
Tasha Lucas (Daughter-in-law of
Ruth Lucas)
Stanley Bartos (Father of David Bartos)
Sonya Bartos (Mother of David Bartos)
Lillian Falko (Cousin of the Bichun’s)
Janet Gernat (Cousin of the Bichun’s)
child Justin Holmes (Infant friend of
the Bichun’s)
Eva Jackson (Friend of Margaret Wagner)

..... and all those shut-in and in Nursing Homes!

NEWLY DEPARTED: His Holiness Pavle, Patriarch of Serbia [November 15]
Priest Daniil Sysoyev (Moscow) [November 19]

ВЪЧНДА ПАМАТЬ

Sawa Kokotiuk (Father of Raisa Shafran)
Tatiana Kokotiuk (Mother of
Raisa Shafran)
Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun)
Louise Lefebvre (cancer - Friend of
Diane Polzun)
Alla Wheeler (cancer - Friend of
Diane Dounouk)
Lawrence Beck (recovery / knee surgery)
Alex Polzun (recovery / knee surgery)
child Christopher Elliot (Son of Fr. George
& Kim Elliot, St. Paul, Las Vegas, NV)
Sarah Croft (back surgery - Friend of
Marie Shimchick)
Resa Ellison (H1N1/pneumonia - Choir
Director, St. Mary’s Cathedral, Minneapolis)
Denise Negron (H1N1 - Friend of
Larissa Rembisz)
child Isabelle Negron (Friend of
Larissa Rembisz)
Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors -
Sister of Fr. John Hopko)
Arlene Osuch (cancer - Ss. Cyril &
Methodius, Terryville)
Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril &
Methodius, Terryville)
in need of our prayers:
Lydia Dorsey

◆ **The December monthly charity** is for “**Warm the Children**” which provides new winter clothing for the children of needy families. The collection is taken on the last Sunday of the month. You may donate early by using the envelope provided in your monthly mailing.



◆ **Home Blessing schedule:** Please check the bulletin board which has proposed 2010 Home Blessing schedule. If your name does not appear on the list, and you want your home blessed, talk to Fr. David at coffee hour.



◆ **Christmas Caroling:** Our Choir Director will be leading anyone who wishes to go caroling to those members of our parish who are at home or in the nursing homes on Monday, December 28th. All are welcome! Schedule to come.

◆ **Men’s Club Lotto -**

24 Irene Ferrandino
Support the Men’s Club
Church Improvement Fund!!
**Remember to make your
payment for your numbers!!**

◆ **Future Dates:**

December 24th & 25th - Nativity of Christ: Vespertal Liturgy 9:00 a.m.; The Vigil of Christmas (Compline & Matins) at 5:00 p.m. and the Festal Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.
Thursday, December 31st 6:00 p.m. - Vespertal Liturgy for St. Basil the Great & Molieben for the New Year.

!REMINDER!: For the simple sake of safety, when our children need to leave church and venture downstairs for any reason, a parent **MUST** accompany them. Some may feel that they are old enough to do this on their own, but again, for safety sake we ask that this request be honored.