

# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of December 14 - 20, 2008 ❖ 26th Sunday after Pentecost  
Tone 1 ❖ Holy Fore-fathers*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Colossians 3:4-11**

**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.

**Luke 14:16-24**

**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.'"



## DAILY READINGS:

**Dec 15th**

1Tim. 5:1-10

Mark 8:11-21

**Dec 16th**

1Tim. 5:11-21

Mark 8:22-26

**Dec 17th**

1Tim. 5:22-6:11

Mark 8:30-34

**Dec 18th**

1Tim. 6:17-21

Mark 9:10-16

**Dec 19th**

2Tim. 1:1-2,8-18

Mark 9:33-41

**Dec 20th**

Gal. 5:22-6:2

Luke 14:1-11

## *Weekly Calendar*

Sunday, Dec 14th  
Church School 8:30 a.m.  
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.  
Coffee Hour -  
Visit of Bishop NIKON

Monday, Dec 15th  
Visitation: Atrium at Rocky Hill  
(for communion) 9:30 a.m. -  
Home visits

Tuesday, Dec 16th  
"The Way" at Ss. Peter & Paul,  
Meriden 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
**LAST CLASS**

Thursday, Dec 18th  
Confession 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec 20th  
Confession 3-3:30 p.m.  
Vespers 4:00 p.m. - Confession

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Dec 14th  
Greeter: M. Koles  
Cleaning: ? ? ? ?  
Coffee: [Visit of Bishop  
NIKON] - Sisterhood

Sunday Dec 21st  
Greeter: M. Koles  
Cleaning: ? ? ? ?  
Coffee: ? ? ? ?

## Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 2,408  
YTD: \$ 123,168 [83.8%]  
YTD Goal: \$ 146,902  
(49 wks) [\$2998/wk]



*Join today!!*  
**100 PLUS CLUB**  
Collected: \$ 3000

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ◆Cemetery Pricing Schedule:

PLEASE be aware that as of January 1, 2009 the cost of graves at the parish cemetery, along with other related costs, will be going up. Anyone wanting to reserve their place at the cemetery at the current rates see any member of the Cemetery Trustees. You can view the map of plots during Coffee Hour.


◆**Stewardship:** This should be a time of "catching up" in our financial support of HTOC. Please make sure you are up to date in your pledge.



Soon we will be asked to make our commitment for 2009 by filling out a pledge form.

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

### ◆Greeters, cleaners & coffee hour

 **hosts:** Sign-up sheets for Greeters and Cleaners for 2009 are on the bulletin board. Please sign-up today to help next year. Also, please see Phyllis Bartos to sign up to host coffee hour in 2009. Your stewardship of time and effort is NEEDED and greatly appreciated!!!

### ◆The Way: A Christian Education

### *"For the sick and suffering"*

Olga Skotnicki      Tatiana Kowar  
Ed Bichun

— in need of our prayers:

Peter Roshak (son of Fr. Michael Roshak,  
Three Saints, Ansonia)

Archpriest William DuBovik  
(All Saints, Hartford)

Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS -  
Johnstown, PA)

Protodeacon Simeon Kopcha (Father of  
Mat. Melanie Koles)

Helen Kumor (cancer - Mother-in-law  
of Dori Kumor)

Donat Martin (Father-in-law  
of Nancy Martin)

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)

Rosario Sarcia (Father-in-Law of  
Kevin Delaney)

Stanley Bartos (Father of David Bartos)

Dorothy Staschak (Godmother of  
Fr. John Dresko)

Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)  
child Michael Mobilio (Infant friend of  
the Bichun's - St. Mary's Waterbury)

Lillian Falko (Cousin of the Bichun's)  
child Justin Holmes (Infant friend of  
the Bichun's)

Sawa Kokotiuk (Father of Raisa Shafran)  
Tatiana Kokotiuk (Mother of  
Raisa Shafran)

Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun)  
Elizabeth Coppeler (stroke - Friend of  
Diane Polzun)

Louise Lefebvre (cancer - Friend of  
Diane Polzun)

John Anderson (Brother-in-law  
of Paul Culton)

Jerrold Everson (Brother-in-law  
of Jennie Everson)

Lucille Boynton (Aunt of Maureen  
& George Ludko)

Ronald Canciani (cancer - Friend of  
Barbara Raymond)

Mary S. Cherpak (Aunt of Evelyn  
Cherpak & Beth Bradanini)

Alla Wheeler (cancer - Friend of  
Diane Dounouk)

Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril &  
Methodius, Terryville)

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

### NEWLY DEPARTED:

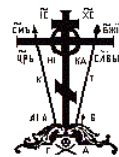
His Holiness Patriarch Alexy II [Dec 5]

Igumen Gregory Woolfenden [Nov 20] (St. Mary's, New Britain)

Archpriest Stephen Karaffa [Nov 11] (Burr Ridge, IL)

Martin Staschak [Nov 21] (Godfather of Fr. John Dresko)

Peter Kovalevich [Dec 1]



discussion series at Ss. Peter & Paul, Meriden, CT 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. will hold the final session Tuesday, December 16th.

### ◆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.



### ◆Men's Club Lotto -

#71 Diane Polzun

Support the Men's Club

Church Improvement Fund!!

**Do you have a number ?**

**Soon it will be time**

**to pick your 2009 numbers!!**

**There are open numbers available!!**

◆**Winter weather:** Watch NBC30 or listen to WTIC1080AM for announcements concerning service cancellations.

### ◆Future Dates:

**December 24th & 25th - Nativity of Christ:** Vespertal Liturgy 9:00 a.m.; The Vigil of Christmas (Compline & Matins) at 6:00 p.m. and the Festal Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

**Wednesday, December 31st 6:00 p.m. -** Vespertal Liturgy for the Circumcision of the Lord, St. Basil the Great & Molieben for the New Year.

**Monday, January 5th - Eve of Epiphany / Theophany:** Festal Vespertal Liturgy with the Great Blessing of Waters 6:00 p.m.

**House Blessing -** January 6th - 16th. See the bulletin board for tentative schedule. If your name is not on the list PLEASE see Fr. David and you will be added!

**Sunday, January 25th -** Annual Parish Meeting following Divine Liturgy.