



# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of December 14 - 20, 2014 ❖ Tone 2*

*27th Sunday after Pentecost ❖ Sunday of the 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 sup-

per 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

2 Tim. 2:20-26

Mark 8:11-21

### Dec 16th

2 Tim. 3:16-4:4

Mark 8:22-26

### Dec 17th

2 Tim. 4:9-22

Mark 8:30-34

### Dec 18th

Titus 1:5-2:1

Mark 9:10-16

### Dec 19th

Titus 1:15-2:10

Mark 9:33-41

### Dec 20th

Eph. 1:16-23

Luke 14:1-11

## *Weekly Calendar*

Sunday, December 14th

Church School 8:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Hour

Wednesday, December 17th

Confession: 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 18th

Visitation: Monsignor Bojnowski  
10:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 20th

Pre-Christmas Clean-up 8:30 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal 3:00 p.m.

Confession 4:43:30 p.m.

Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.

Confession

Sunday, December 21st

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Hour

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday December 14th

Greeter: Santoro

Cleaning: Veek

Coffee: Santoro

Sunday December 21st

Greeter: Santoro

Cleaning: Veek

Coffee: Cabrera

## Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 5,821

YTD: \$128,069 [87.7%]

YTD Goal: \$ 145,995.50

(49 wks) [\$ 2979.50/wk]



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ◆Sisterhood Bake Sale:

The Annual Cookie & Baked-goods Sale will take place at coffee hour TODAY!!



◆Elections: We are in need of a number of people to fill 6 vacancies on the Parish Council including the Vice Warden, Secretary, Treasurer & Asst. Treasurer, Financial Secretary, At-large position, All American Council & Diocesan Assembly representative. Prayerfully consider your stewardship to our parish and step up when asked to serve by the Nomination Committee.



### ◆Catch-up Sundays:

There are only 3 weeks remaining in 2014 and we are behind in our pledge contributions. Last year at this time we were at **96.0!!** It is time for us to catch-up and bring our personal pledge up to date as we prayerfully contemplate our 2015 Pledge. If you haven't turned in your 2015 Pledge Forms please do so ASAP so that the Finance Committee & the Parish Council can prepare our 2015 Budget. THANK YOU!

◆Coffee Hour: The NEW 2015 Coffee Hour sign-up sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board.



◆The December monthly charity collection is for **Operation Fuel, Inc.** which is the only statewide resource helping the working poor in our community pay their energy bills through the cold winter months. Thanks to everyone's generosity, Operation Fuel provided over \$2

## "For the sick and suffering"

Megan Bartos  
Irene Ferrandino  
Archpriest Paul Lazor - recovery from surgery  
Archpriest Michael Koblosh (chemotherapy Alexandria, VA)  
Priest Michael Shuster (Holy Trinity Church, Spring Hill, FL)  
Mat. Susanne Senyo (cancer - Pittsburgh, PA. schoolmate of Fr. David)  
Mat. Mary Balmer (St Raphael Church, Inverness, FL)  
Mat. Elizabeth Bacon (Chelsea, MA)  
Officer Brett Morgan (NBPB)  
Patricia Minitier (cancer - Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Jennifer Akerley (cancer - Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Luba Martins (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Kathy Collins (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Leslie Nutthall (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Paul Sulich (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Helen Skrobat (Mother of John Skrobat)  
Cindy Eastman (Sister of Phyllis Bartos)  
Francis Myszka (recovery from surgery)  
Margaret Myszka (recovery from surgery)  
Thomas Hricus (Brother of Marion Bichun)  
Margaret Wallick (Sister of Marion Bichun)  
Lovey (Luba) Kovalesky (Friend of the Bichun's)  
Justin Holmes (Friend of the Bichun's)  
Janet Roberts (Friend of Barbara Burrill)

John Steffick  
Barbara Raymond

Adriano Melluzzo (Son-in-law of the Potter's)  
Gregory Savoie (Friend of the Santoro's)  
JoAnn Hensley (stroke - Friend of Jennie Everson)  
Anita Hall (Friend of Margaret Wagner)  
Ann Ward (Friend of the Polzun's)  
Dennis Polzun Jr. (Nephew of the Polzun's)  
Matthew Murphy (Nephew of Marie Shimchick)  
Camille Fusco (cancer - Friend of Marie Shimchick)  
James Fisher (cancer - Friend of Marie Shimchick)  
child Daniel Hawn (brain cancer - Friend of Diane Dounouk)  
Bruce McCallum (Parkinson's - Father of Rebecca McCallum)  
Gloria DeMartino (Grandmother of Jen Belonick)  
Steven Belonick (Grandfather of Daniel Belonick)  
Andrew Veek (Grandfather of Brian Veek)  
Daniel Sak (recovery from surgery - Godfather of Juliana Veek)  
Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors - Sister of Fr. John Hopko)  
Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Terryville)  
Jennifer Ganley (MS - Friend of Chris Dresko)

### Captives:

Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo, Syria.

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

Newly Departed: Mary Fairbanks [Nov 6]  
Sonya Bartos [Nov 6]  
Albin Kaimer [Nov 19] (Inverness, FL - friend of Margaret Wagner)

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million in energy assistance to more than 4,200 households last winter. Visit their web site at



[www.operationfuel.org](http://www.operationfuel.org)

Please be generous by using the envelopes provided in our monthly mailing. Collection will be taken on the last Sunday of the month.

◆Christmas Services: Because of our poor attendance at the Christmas Eve Compline & Matins and the Christmas Day Divine Liturgy these past years, the difficulty of finding a "preferential" time for the services and the need for a competent choir to sing, this year we are going to do a combined Matins & Divine Liturgy for the feast beginning at **11:00 pm** on **Wednesday, December 24th, Christmas Eve.**

### ◆Men's Club Lotto -

# 17 Nicholas Pulcini

Support the Men's Club  
Special Projects Fund!!

### ◆Future Dates:

Monday, January 5th: Theophany Eve - Festal Vespertal Liturgy & Great Blessing of Water 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 6th - Friday, January 23rd: Home Blessing!!!

Monday, January 12th: Parish Council meeting 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 25th: Annual Parish meeting.

December Finances	
Income: \$	6,147.00
Expense: \$	8,065.21
Exp/Inc: \$	-1,918.21
Year-to-date Finances	
Income: \$	150,011.61
Expense: \$	159,907.34
Exp/Inc: \$	-9,895.73