



# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of March 30 - April 5, 2014 ❖ Tone 7*  
*4th Sunday of Great Lent ❖ St. John Climacus of Sinai*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

*Heb. 6:13-20 & Eph. 5:9-19*

**BRETHREN:** For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you." And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For men indeed swear by the greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all dispute. Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

**BRETHREN:** for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth, finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light." See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

*Mark 9:17-31*

**AT THAT TIME:** A man came to Jesus and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not. Jesus answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." Then they brought him to Jesus. And when he saw Jesus, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. So Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us. Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it: "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!" Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting." Then they departed from there and passed through Galilee, and He did not want anyone to know it. For He taught His disciples and said to them, "The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day."

**& Matthew 4:25 - 5:12**

## DAILY READINGS:

**March 31st**

Gen. 13:12-18

Prov. 14:27-15:4

**April 1st**

Gen. 15:1-15

Prov. 15:7-19

**April 2nd**

Gen. 17:1-9

Prov. 15:20-16:9

**April 3rd**

Gen. 18:20-33

Prov. 16:17-17:17

**April 4th**

Gen. 22:1-18

Prov. 17:17-18:5

**April 5th**

Heb. 9:24-28

Mark 8:27-31

## Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 30th

Church School 8:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Hour

Sunday Lenten Vespers at HTOC - 4:00

Monday, March 31st

Parish Council meeting 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 1st

Confession 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 2nd

Confession 5 - 5:30 p.m.

Presanctified Liturgy **6:15 p.m.**

Soup & Bread

Thursday, April 3rd

Visitation: Brandywine 11:00 a.m.

(for Communion)

Friday, April 4th

Akathist to the Theotokos 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 5th

**! SPRING CLEANING !** 8:30 a.m. - ??

Choir Rehearsal 3:00 p.m.

Confession 4-4:30 p.m.

Vespers 5:00 p.m. - Confession

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday March 30th

Greeter: Mat. Melanie

Cleaning: Koles/Everson

Coffee: Mat. Melanie

Sunday April 6th

Greeter: ? ? ?

Cleaning: Clark

Coffee: Delaney/Shafan

## Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 1,949

YTD:\$ 31,629 [88.5%]

YTD Goal:\$ 35,754.00

(12wks) [\$ 2979.50/wk]

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ **Lenten Deanery Vespers:** *We are hosting* the CT Deanery TODAY at 4:00 p.m. Please plan to be here to welcome our guests, both clergy & faithful, from across the deanery.

♦ **The March monthly charity collection** is for **Office Brett Morgan**. Officer Morgan, of the New Britain Police Department, sustained serious injuries while investigating a stolen car complaint. He has undergone several surgical procedures and intensive rehabilitation therapy and will continue as an outpatient as he continues to heal and recover from his injuries. The collection will be taken **TODAY**, the last Sunday of the month. Please use the envelope that is included in your monthly mailing and be generous!!

♦ **Coffee Hour: WE HAVE NO ONE FOR APRIL 27!!** the last open date for the first half of 2014. PLEASE put your name on the list!

♦ **Soup & Bread:** Please check out the sign-up sheet downstairs or see Phyllis about soup and bread to break the fast after Presanctified Liturgy on Wednesdays. The more hands the easier the task.

♦ **Greeters: Greeters List** for the first half of 2014 is available for your participation. We need friendly people for **April & June**. PLEASE sign-up today!!

♦ **Baked Goods:** Poppysseed, nut roll & raisin bread orders are being take. Please see Ed & Marion before March 30th!!

♦ **Anniversary Cookbook:** The Sisterhood will be collecting our favorite recipes

## "For the sick and suffering"

Barbara Raymond Megan Bartos  
Elizabeth Hamisevich Alla Hamisevich  
John Steffick

Archpriest Paul Lazor  
Archpriest Emilian Hutnyan (St. Andrew,  
Maple Heights, Ohio)

Archpriest John Pawelchak (chemotherapy)  
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 Miniter (cancer - Friend of  
Rosemary Delaney)

Jennifer Akerley (cancer - Friend of  
Rosemary Delaney)  
Leslie Nutthall (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)  
Frannie Pretash (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Helen Skrobat (Mother of John Skrobat)  
Sonya Bartos (Mother of David Bartos)  
Cindy Eastman (Sister of Phyllis Bartos)  
child Dalton Deack (Friend of Ewa Zagorska)

Jean O'keefe (Friend of Ewa Zagorska)  
Faith O'keefe (Friend of Ewa Zagorska)  
Halina Kretowska (Mother of Ewa Zagorska)

Gregory Savoie (Friend of the Santoro's)  
Charles Casciotta (Friend of the Bichun's)  
Christine Stoj (Friend of the Bichun's)

Thomas Hricus (Brother of Marion Bichun)  
child Justin Holmes (Friend of the Bichun's)  
Lovie (Luba) Kovalesky (cancer - Friend  
of the Bichun's)

Henry Lozewski (cancer - Friend of the Bichun's)  
Krista Nordmark (cancer - Friend of  
Laura Burrill)

Janet Roberts (Friend of Barbara Burrill)  
Ronald Andrszczkiewicz (heart attack -  
Brother of Arlene Potter)

child Nathaniel Gardener (Great-grandson  
of Jean Murr)  
JoAnn Hensley (stroke - Friend of  
Jennie Everson)

Dorothy Ludko (Friend of Barbara Raymond)  
Anita Hall (Friend of Margaret Wagner)  
Ann Ward (Friend of the Polzun's)

Louise Shimchick (recovery from surgery -  
Aunt of Marie Shimchick)  
Christine Pianpiano (recovery from surgery -  
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)

Ann Belonick (Grandmother of Daniel Belonick)  
Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors -  
Sister of Fr. John Hopko)

Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril &  
Methodius, Terryville)  
Jennifer Ganley (MS - Friend of Chris Dresko)

Lisa Baker (breast cancer -Wife of Brian Baker)

### Captives:

Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John  
of Aleppo, Syria.

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

Newly Departed: His Eminence, Metropolitan Philip (Saliba) [Mar 19]  
(Primate of the Antiochian Archdiocese)  
Archpriest Alexander Atty [Mar 23]  
(former DEAN of St. Tikhon's Seminary)  
Donna Kriniske [Mar 3] (Cousin of Matushka Melanie)  
Lorraine Lynch [Mar 16] (Mother-in-law of Peter Anop)

ВѢЧНАА ПАМЯТЬ

to be published in a 100th Anniversary Cookbook. Email to Annette Salina at [absalina@comcast.net](mailto:absalina@comcast.net) or deliver hard copy to Sarah Clark no late than April 1st.

♦ **Pascha Card:** The choir is collecting for this years Paschal Card. If you want to be a signer please see Mallory Kokus, Jennifer Belonick or Ann Myszka before March 30!

♦ **Spring/Summer Clothing Drive:** We will be collecting new spring/summer clothing during April for the neighborhood children. See Mat. Melanie & Gladys Labas for details.

### ♦ Men's Club Lotto -

# 41 Alexandra Dilger

Support the Men's Club  
Special Projects Fund!!  
Sign up today!!!

### ♦ Future Dates:

**Sunday, April 6th:** Deanery Sacrament of Holy Unction at Three Saints Church, Ansonia - 4:00 p.m.

**Saturday, April 12th:** Lazarus Saturday Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.  
Choir Rehearsal 3:00 p.m.

Vigil with Blessing of Palms 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, April 13th:** Palm Sunday Festival Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday, April 13th, 4:00 p.m. -**

**Bridegroom Matins @ Christ the Savior Church, Southbury.**

### March Finances

Income: \$ 11,985.13  
Expense: \$ 11,731.47  
Inc/Exp: \$ 253.66

### Year-to-date Finances

Income: \$ 43,913.89  
Expense: \$ 46,415.88  
Exp/Inc: \$ -2,501.99