

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Eph. 2:14-22

BRETHREN: God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Luke 13:10-17

THE LORD SPOKE THIS

PARABLE: The land of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry." 'But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

DAILY READINGS:

November 20th

1Thess. 2:20-3:8

Luke 17:20-25

November 21st

1Thess. 3:9-13

Luke 17:26-37

November 22nd

1Thess. 4:1-12

Luke 18:15-17,26-30

November 23rd

1Thess. 5:1-8

Luke 18:31-34

November 24th

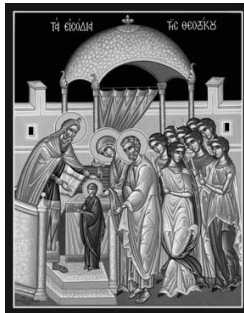
1Thess. 5:9-13,24-28

Luke 19:12-28

November 25th

2 Cor. 11:1-6

Luke 10:19-21



According to Holy Tradition, the **Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple** took place in the following manner. The parents of the Virgin Mary, Joachim and Anna, praying for an end to their childlessness, vowed that if a child were born to them, they would dedicate it to the service of God.

When the Most Holy Virgin reached the age of three, the holy parents decided to fulfill their vow. They gathered together their relatives and acquaintances, and dressed the All-Pure Virgin in Her finest clothes. Singing sacred songs and with lighted candles in their hands, virgins escorted Her to the Temple (Ps. 44/45:14-15). There the High Priest and several priests met the handmaiden of God. In the Temple, fifteen high steps led to the sanctuary, which only the priests and High Priest could enter. The child Mary, so it seemed, could not

make it up this stairway. But just as they placed Her on the first step, strengthened by the power of God, She quickly went up the remaining steps and ascended to the highest one. Then the High Priest, through inspiration from above, led the Most Holy Virgin into the Holy of Holies, where only the High Priest entered once a year to offer a purifying sacrifice of blood. Therefore, all those present in the Temple were astonished at this most unusual occurrence.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday November 19th
Divine Liturgy 9:00a.m.
Coffee Hour

Monday November 20th
Vespertal Liturgy 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday November 21st
Entrance of the Theotokos

Wednesday November 22nd
Visitation (Communion):
9:30 a.m.
MIDDLEWOODS
WALNUT HILL

Thursday November 23rd

Friday November 24th

Saturday November 25th
Confession 3-3:30 p.m.
Great Vespers **4:00 p.m.**
Confession

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Nov 19th
Greeter: Sonia Matyczyk
Cleaning: Everson &
Santoro
Coffee: Steffick / Bichum

Sunday Nov 26th
Greeter: Sonia Matyczyk
Cleaning: Everson &
Santoro
Coffee: Wanik / Labas

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 1385
YTD: \$ 96,308 [69.9%]
YTD Goal: \$ 137,816
(46wks)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ **Special Parish Meeting:** There will be a special meeting of the parish after Divine Liturgy today to discuss actions and expenditures related to the church roof, gutters, and trees. This meeting will authorize a plan and expenditures beyond what was authorized last January at the Annual Parish Meeting wherein \$10,000.00 was appropriated for investigation and remediation of the issue.

♦ **Strategic Planning Meeting:** Following coffee hour, for ONLY 1 hour we will have a discussion about what we see about the future for our parish and how we get there.

♦ **Stewardship:** We are in the second to the last month of our fiscal year and if you haven't noticed our Pledges are behind by 30% for the year. Everyone needs to review the pledge they made and bring them up to date. The time is at hand to complete 2006 before we advance toward 2007. "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matt. 6:21

"For the sick and suffering"

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| Nina Molchan | Olga Skotnicki |
| Milenty Stregorsky | Maria Stregorsky |
| Mary Glowacki | Mary Roman |
| Margaret Wagner | Alla Hamisevich |
| Karen Murphy | Alexei Rudy |
| Anthony Bichum | |

— in need of our prayers:
Lydia Dorsey

Archbishop KYRILL (Pittsburgh and Western PA and the Bulgarian Diocese)

Archbishop PETER (Retired Abp. of New York)

Archpriest Nicholas Timpko (surgery - Three Saints, Ansonia)

Archpriest William DuBovik (All Saints, Hartford)

Mother Christophora (breast cancer - Abbess, Ellwood City, PA)

Mother Susanna (Abbess, Santa Rosa CA)

Matushka Karen Mahaffey (cancer— Old Forge, PA)

Ruth Matyschysk (Wife of Leo)

Caroline Skerpan (Mother of Carol Skerpan)

Nicholas Selivonik (Friend of Tania Bouteneff)

Tatiana Selivonik (Friend of Tania Bouteneff)

Irene Hetman (Sister of Anna Makula)

Louise Bechum (Sister of Matyczyks')

Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth)

Elizabeth Novosett (Cousin of Nadine Cabrera)

child Justin Holmes (Infant friend of the Bichums)

Wayne Demske (Cousin of Rosemary Delaney)

Tatiana Kokotiuk (Mother of Raisa Shafran)

Carole Needham (Mother of Jennifer Needham)

Judy Pitre (Friend of the Dresko's)

Carol Boyer (stroke—Mother of a friend of Greg Dresko)

Catherine Sokoloff (Niece of Tania Bouteneff)

Barbara Lacey (Auto Accident - HTC Willimantic)

Frank Guba (MS— SS C&M, Terryville)

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

NEWLY DEPARTED:

Helen Spearen (10/17)

Mary Suski (10/30)

Lydia Kesich (11/14) [wife of Professor

Emeritus Veselin Kesich, SVS]



♦ **Men's Club Lotto -**

#94 Gladys Labas

Support the Men's Club Church Improvement Fund!! There are eight numbers available. Sign up today!!

♦ **The November monthly charity** is the Friendship Center. The collection is taken on the last Sunday of the month. You may donate early by using the envelope provided in your monthly mailing.

♦ **Greeters and cleaners:** Sign-up sheets for Greeters and Cleaners for 2007 are on the bulletin board. Please

sign-up today to help next year. Your stewardship of time and effort is greatly appreciated.

♦ **Future Dates to remember:**

Nov 20th Festal Vespertal Liturgy
Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple 6:00 p.m.

Nov 27th Parish Council Meeting

Nov 28th Confession 2:00 p.m.

Nov 29th Daily Vespers / Diocesan Council Mtg. 6:30 p.m. / 7:00 p.m.

Dec 1st & 2nd VARENTIKI
Making 8:00 a.m.

Dec 2nd 2:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Dec 2nd Panikhida 3:30 p.m.