

Announcements

- **Church School.** Today after the Divine Liturgy and during the fellowship meal (after we've had a chance to eat), we will have our church school for middle and high school kids in in Father Kirill's office.
- **Parish Council.** The Parish Council meets today after the fellowship meal.
- **150th Celebration.** I would like to make sure that you have our sesquicentennial celebration noted in your planners. On the eve of this feast, Friday October 19, we will welcome our guests and sing Vespers at 6:00 PM followed by a reception. On Saturday, October 20, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy with His Beatitude, our Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada, other honored hierarchs and guests, and, of course, our Archbishop Benjamin. Following the Liturgy, we will all go to McCormick's in Ghirardelli Square on the water for a festive meal. More details to come - but please consider this an early but earnest invitation!

This Week at Holy Trinity

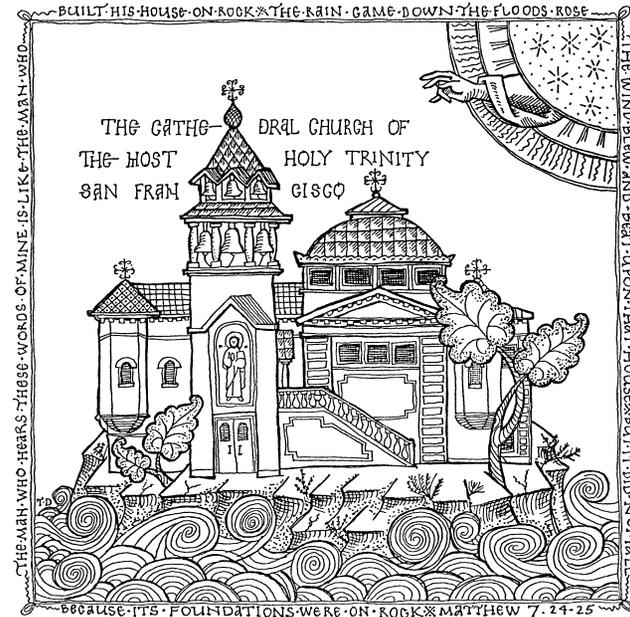
- Wed. May 2:** **Midfeast of Pentecost**
6:00 pm Blessing of Water
- Sat. May 5:** 6:00 pm Vigil and Confessions
- Sun. May 6:** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
followed by fellowship meal
Parking available Sunday at St. Brigid's

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Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, April 29, 2018

Most Reverend Benjamin,
Archbishop of San Francisco and the West

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Apostolic Reading

Acts 9:32-42

Today's Gospel

John 5:1-15

4th Sunday of Pascha**Sunday of the Paralytic.**

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Today's Apostolic Reading

Acts 9:32-42

In those days, it came to pass as Peter was visiting the churches, he came down also to the saints who were living in Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, a paralytic who had been bedridden for eight years. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals thee. Arise and make thy bed." And he arose immediately. And all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord.

Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha (which is translated Dorcas in Greek and means a gazelle). This woman had devoted herself to good works and acts of charity. But it came to pass that at this time she fell ill and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper chamber. And as Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." Then Peter arose and went with them, and upon his arrival they brought him into the upper chamber. And all the widows stood about him weeping and showing the coats and garments which Dorcas had made, while she was with them. But Peter, putting them all out, knelt down and prayed; and turning to the body, he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. And he gave her his hand, and raised her up; and calling the saints and the widows, he gave her back to them alive. And it was known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Today's Gospel

John 5:1-15

After this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he

had. And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath.

The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed. He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk. Then asked they him, What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and walk? And he that was healed wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, a multitude being in that place. Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee. The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole.

Mid-Pentecost and the Blessing of Water

We will celebrate Mid-Pentecost, also known as Mid-Feast, this week on Wednesday, May 2 at 6 PM with the *Blessing of Water*. This day, twenty-five days after Pascha, marks the midpoint between Pascha and Pentecost. Mid-points are important in any journey. Following the example of the Old Testament Church, and as a sign of the grace of the Holy Spirit — which the Savior referred to as water granting life and salvation to the thirsty — the blessing of water is made available by the Church on this day. With all of the pain in our world, and thinking about the illnesses and struggles our parishioners face, I wanted us to be able to partake of this special grace and power of Holy Water in order to help fortify us. —Fr. Kirill

**Many Years!**

Name Days:
Angelina Irina Walker (May 5)

Thank You!

Please join us downstairs for our fellowship meal! We thank those who contributed to today's potluck.