

Announcements

- **Church School Today.** Our middle and high school age students will meet for church school during the fellowship hour after some time to eat; they will meet in Father Kirill's office.

Just as a reminder, young children meet for a short church school before Liturgy at 9:30 most Sundays. A special longer church school is held after liturgy on a monthly basis in two sections: elementary ages and middle/high-school ages. These are announced in this bulletin and on the web site.

- **Beautification of the Cathedral.** Beginning this week, master iconographer Dmitri Shkolnik will paint our main dome with glorious images of Our Saviour and the heavenly powers. Later this week, church bell expert Constantine Stade will hang our newly-purchased bells marking the 150th. He will do a short seminar on ringing after Liturgy next Sunday.
- **150th Invitations.** RSVP today so we can most accurately offer seats to friends from surrounding parishes. The special parishioner ticket rate is not available after August 31.

This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Aug 28:** 6:00 pm Great Vespers for the feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist.
- Wed. Aug 29:** Patronal Feast Day of our sister parish, Christ the Saviour, 2040 Anza Street. Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at 9:30. No liturgy or vespers at Holy Trinity Wednesday.
- Sat. Sep 1:** Ecclesiastical New Year
6:00 pm Vigil and Confessions.
- Sun. Sep 2:** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship meal.
Parking available at St. Brigid's.

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13th Sunday after Pentecost

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Brethren: Be watchful, stand fast in the faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done with charity. Now I beseech you, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first fruits of Achaia, and they have de-voted themselves to the service of the Saints. I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the arrival of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence. For they have refreshed both my spirit and yours. To such as these, therefore, give recognition.

The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone does not love the Lord, let him be anathema. Maranatha. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Today's Gospel

Matthew 21:33-42

The Lord said this parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country: and when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it. And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise. But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance. And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him. When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen? They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons. Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?

The Holy Martyrs Adrian and Natalia

The Martyrs Adrian and Natalia were married in their youth for one year prior to their martyrdom, and lived in Nicomedia during the time of the emperor Maximian (305-311). The emperor promised a reward to whomever would inform on Christians to bring them to trial. Then the denunciations began, and twenty-three Christians were captured in a cave near Nicomedia.

They were tortured, urged to worship idols, and then brought before the authorities in order to record their names and responses. Adrian, the head of the praetorium, watched as these people suffered with such courage for their faith. He asked them: "What rewards do you expect from your God for your suffering?" The martyrs replied: "Such rewards as we are not able to describe, nor can your mind comprehend." Saint Adrian told the scribes, "Write my name down also, for I am a Christian and I die gladly for Christ God." His wife, Saint Natalia, knowing that her husband was to suffer for Christ, rejoiced, since she was secretly a Christian.

She hastened to the prison and encouraged her husband saying: "You are blessed, my lord, because you have believed in Christ. You have obtained a great treasure. Do not regret anything earthly, neither beauty, nor youth (Adrian was then 28 years of age), nor riches. Everything worldly is dust and ashes. Only faith and good deeds are pleasing to God." She asked him also to pray to God for her, that they would not force her into marriage with a pagan after his death.

Saint Adrian's hands and feet were placed on an anvil and broken off with a hammer; he died in his torments. His blessed wife recovered part of his holy relics. Soon an army commander asked the emperor's approval to wed Saint Natalia, who was both young and rich. But she hid herself away in Byzantium. Saint Adrian appeared to her in a dream and said that she would soon be at rest in the Lord. The martyr, worn out by her former sufferings, in fact soon fell asleep.



Many Years!

Anniversaries:

Micah & Mary Flynn (30th)

Birthdays:

Frank Anthony Morelli (26th)

Austin Gunter (29th)

Karen Cecilia Relicio (30th)

Maximillian Michael Piech (31st)

Andrew Listvinsky (31st)

Archpriest James Jorgenson (Sep 1st)

Namedays:

Archpriest John Takahashi (29th)

Reader Ian Hirsch (29th)

Thank You

Please join us downstairs
for our fellowship meal!

We look forward to
meeting our guests and
visitors.

Thanks to Frank M.
& Katherine G. for
preparing today's meal!