

Announcements

- **Church School.** Following the fellowship meal, our special monthly church school for children in K-4 will meet.
- **Welcome!** We are blessed with the continued presence of Archpriest Chad Hatfield, president of St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, who led our Advent Retreat yesterday.
- **Adopt-a-Family.** This December, we are fundraising to purchase new holy icons and prayer books for the four families, parishioners of our mission in Chico, who lost their homes and possessions in the Camp Fire. There will be a basket today and next Sunday at the conclusion of the liturgy for your gift. Next Sunday, the 16th, we will wrap our gifts after liturgy. For questions about this fundraiser please contact Matushka Sophia.
- **Nativity Flowers and Decorating.** On Sunday, December 23, join us after the fellowship meal for carols, cider, and flower decorating. Let's trim the church! All ages welcome!
- **Let us go to meet Him!** The divine services leading up to and including the Nativity of Christ and the Theophany are true gifts to and for us. Please open your heart to these gifts and experience them. If you have any questions about how to "keep" this holy time, please talk with Fr. Kirill.

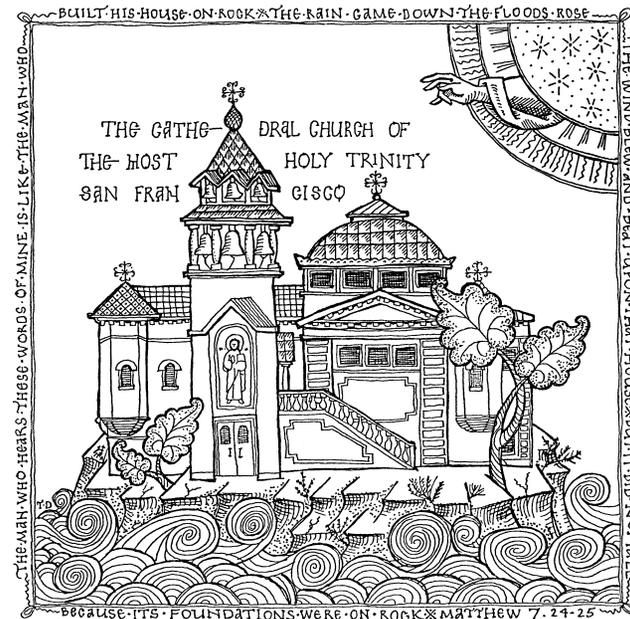
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Wed. Dec 12:** 6:00 pm Great Vespers in honor of St. Herman, Elder and Wonderworker of Alaska and All America; followed by study group.
- Sat. Dec. 15:** 5:00 pm Introduction to Orthodoxy Class.
6:00 pm Vigil & Confessions.
- Sun. Dec. 16:** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship meal, gift wrapping (see above) and parish council meeting.
Parking available at St. Brigid's.

Contact Fr. Kirill

Have a question or would like to chat?
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Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, December 9, 2018

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Today's Epistles

Colossians 1:12-18
Galatians 4:22-31

Today's Gospels

Luke 17:12-19
Luke 8:16-21

28th Sunday after Pentecost.
The Conception by Righteous Anna
of the Most Holy Theotokos.
Tone 3.

Today's Epistle Reading

Colossians 1:12-18

Brethren: Render thanks with joy to the Father, who has made us worthy to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and has brought us away into the kingdom of His dear Son, in whom we have redemption, the remission of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of every creature. For in Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers. All things were created through Him and for him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He might have the first place.

Second Epistle Reading (St. Anna)

Galatians 4:22-31

Brethren: Abraham had two sons, one by a slave and the other by a free woman. And the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, the son of the free woman through promise. Now this is an allegory: for these are the two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children to slavery, which is Hagar. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, which corresponds to the present Jerusalem and is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written, "Rejoice, thou barren one who bearest not! Break forth and cry, thou who dost not travail; for the desolate has many more children than she who has a husband." Now we, brethren, like Isaac, are the children of promise. But as then he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the spirit, so also it is now. But what does the Scripture say? "Cast out the slave and her son; for the son of the slave shall not be heir with the son of the free woman." So then, brethren, we are not children of the slave, but of the free.

Today's Gospel Reading

Luke 17:12-19

At that time, as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: and they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

Second Gospel Reading (St. Anna)

Luke 8:16-21

No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth it under a bed; but setteth it on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light. For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither any thing hid, that shall not be known and come abroad. Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.

Then came to him his mother and his brethren, and could not come at him for the press. And it was told him by certain which said, Thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to see thee. And he answered and said unto them, My mother and my brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it.

**Many Years!****Nameday**

Rebecca Jorgenson (Dec 11)

Birthdays

Olesya Chertova (Dec 8)

Clarissa Hoffman (Dec 8)

Thank You

Please join us downstairs for our fellowship meal! We look forward to meeting our guests and visitors. Thanks to Tamara for preparing today's lunch.