

Announcements

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors.** We are delighted to have you join us at our service today in worshipping the Holy Trinity. Please take a moment after the service to introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Kirill. You are cordially invited to join us for the fellowship luncheon or coffee after the service. We would love to greet you and answer any questions.
- **Church School.** Our special monthly church schools for Grades K-4 and Grades 6 and older are both meeting today after we begin our fellowship meal. If you have any questions, please speak with Fr. Kirill, Matushka Sophia, or one of the teachers. In addition, on Sunday mornings, there is a short church school for our young learners at 9:30 in Father's office (while choir rehearsal is happening next door in the Library).
- **Annual Parish Meeting.** Please mark your calendars to stay for our parish's annual business meeting on Sunday, January 27, following the Divine Liturgy. It will begin during the Fellowship Meal. Our attendance is part of our stewardship of all that the Lord has entrusted to us. If you would like to serve in an elected position or would like to know more, please speak with Fr. Kirill or Lay Vice President Felicia Dunham.
- **The Pascha of the Lord: His Last Supper, His Crucifixion, His Burial, and His Rising.** It is a sacred task for each of us to order our lives by the commemoration of the Lord's saving for us. This year, Forgiveness Vespers will be March 10. Clean Week: March 11-15. Holy Week: April 21-27. PASCHA: April 28.

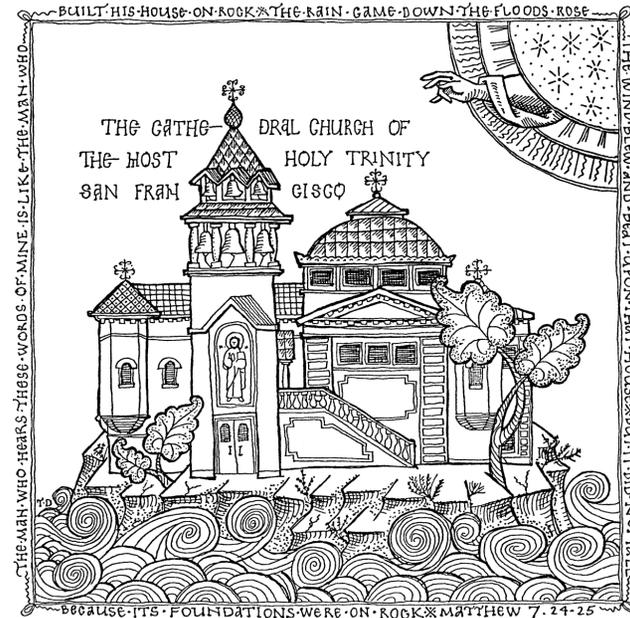
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Wed. Jan. 16:** 6:00 pm Vespers followed by Study Group.
- Sat. Jan. 19:** 6:00 pm Vigil & Confessions.
- Sun. Jan. 20:** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship meal.
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, January 13, 2019

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Today's Epistle
Ephesians 4:7-13
Today's Gospel
Matthew 4:12-17

33rd Sunday after Pentecost.
Afterfeast of The Holy Theophany of
Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
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Today's Epistle Reading

Ephesians 4:7-13

Brethren: To each one of us is given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Thus it was said, "When He ascended up on high, He led a host of captives, and He gave gifts to men." Now what does "He ascended" mean but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is He who also ascended far above all heavens, that He might fill all things. And His gift was for some to be apostles, and some — prophets, and some— evangelists, and some— pastors and teachers, in order to perfect the saints for a work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to perfect manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Today's Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:12-17

Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; the people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

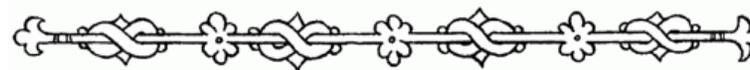
The Theophany Continues

The Feast of Theophany, which is the core and climax of the Nativity season—the season of the Incarnation of God—is a feast of eight days.

The hymns of the feast are sung at Vespers each day and at Liturgy as well. The Nativity season will conclude on the fortieth day after Christmas, February 2, with the Feast of the Meeting of the Lord in the Temple. Vigil for that feast will be served on Friday, February 1 at 6:00 PM, and the Liturgy the following morning at 9 AM. We bless candles then, as a reminder that Christ is the Light of the world.

A New Year Sermon by Metropolitan Anthony (Bloom)

We can enter this year creatively, but only on condition that we enter with hope, that is with the certainty that the Lord is in this year, that He is the master and will lead us to the right place, and with the faith that nothing in this year will happen without the will or acquiescence of God. If this is our attitude we shall see that nothing is chance, (whoever believes in chance does not believe in God) that there are no pointless meetings and every person is sent us by the Lord. And if we enter this year with the knowledge that everything — light and dark, good and terrifying — is a gift of God and is sent us so that through us faith, hope, love, joy and the strength of the Lord should enter the world, if we firmly believe that every person who crosses our path is sent in order that we may bring him the word or action of the Lord or receive it from him, life will be meaningful and rich. Otherwise it will remain a matter of chance, an endless string of fortuitous events. Let us enter upon the new year with this faith and hope and this burning of the spirit, let us receive each other and anyone whom God may send us as the Lord receives us on our way, and let us accept anything that befalls us as coming from the hand of God, and in all circumstances let us be Christ's; then all will be well.



Many Years!

Namedays

Frank Anthony Morelli (Jan 17)
Anthony John Vrondissis (Jan 17)
Archpriest Kirill Sokolov (Jan 18)

Birthdays

Juliana Sokolov (Jan 19)

Thank You

Please join us downstairs
for our fellowship meal!
We look forward to
meeting our guests and
visitors.

Thanks to Tsegai for
preparing today's meal.