

## Announcements

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors.** We are delighted to have you join us at our service today in worshipping the Holy Trinity. You are cordially invited to join us for the fellowship luncheon after the service. We would love to greet you and answer any questions.
- **A Prayer in Tragic Times.** “O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we ask Thee to accept our heartfelt prayers and forgive us our transgressions. Remember our enemies, those who hate us and oppress us, and repay them not according to their deeds, but rather give them reason and understanding, according to Thy great mercy, so that they may see that evil cannot bring good. Help us, O God, for Thou wast crucified and died for the salvation of all. Help us, that among us and in all the world, hatred may be replaced with love, unrest may be replaced with peace, unbelief in Thee may be replaced with faith and sorrow may be replaced with joy.”
- **Dormition.** Dormition (Wednesday evening and Thursday morning this year) celebrates the funeral of our All Holy Lady Theotokos, our common mother in the faith. The hymnography is especially profound and soul-stirring. Treat yourself.

## This Week at Holy Trinity

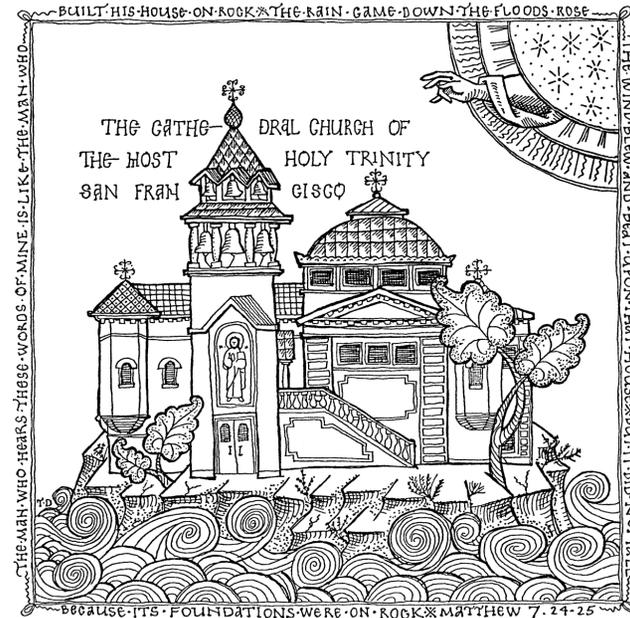
- Wed. Aug. 14:** 6:00 pm Festal Vigil for the Dormition
- Thu. Aug. 15:** **Dormition of the Mother of God**  
9:00 am Festal Liturgy
- Sat. Aug. 17:** 6:00 pm Vigil & Confessions
- Sun. Aug. 18:** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship meal  
*Parking available Sunday at St. Brigid's*

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# Holy Trinity Cathedral



## Sunday, August 11, 2019

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**Today's Epistle**  
1 Corinthians 1:10-18  
**Today's Gospel**  
Matthew 14:14-22

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Afterfeast of the Transfiguration**  
**of Our Lord. Holy Martyr and**  
**Archdeacon Euplus (Euplius) of**  
**Catania (304). Tone 7**

### **Today's Epistle**

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Brethren, I beseech you, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all say the same thing and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be perfectly united in one mind and in one judgment. For it has been reported to me by those of the house of Chloe that there are strifes among you. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I am for Paul," or "I am for Apollos," or "I am for Cephas," or "I am for Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you but Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that you were baptized in my name. I baptized also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I am not aware of having baptized anyone else. For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the Cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

For the doctrine of the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing; but to us who have been saved it is the power of God.

### **Today's Gospel**

Matthew 14:14-22

And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.

And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals. But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; give ye them to eat. And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes. He said, Bring them hither to me. And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full. And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.

And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.

## **The Dormition of the Mother of God**

... The Mother of God has not been a passive instrument of the Incarnation; without Her 'Amen' the Incarnation would have been as impossible as without the will of God. She is the response of the whole creation to God's love and to God's gift of self not only to mankind but to the whole Cosmos He has created. And in that we rejoice, because Her word is our word. Her word was perfect, as Her trust was, Her faith was, Her gift of self was. Ours is imperfect, and yet our voices resound within Hers, weakly, hesitantly at times, but with faith and also with love.

She is the glory of all Creation; the Mother of God: one might have expected that death could not touch Her; but if death and a death so cruel could touch Her Divine Son, the Son of God and the Son of Mary, the Son of God and the Son of man - of course She had to pay the tribute of all the earth to the sin of man and also die. But according to Orthodox Tradition, death could not keep Her prisoner. She had given Herself unreservedly and perfectly to God, and it was to God, no longer to the earth that She belonged. And on the third day, when the Apostles came and reopened Her grave for one of them to be able to venerate Her, who had not been present at Her burial, it was found empty: She had risen because the bonds of death could not hold Her, and corruption could not touch a body which had been the body of the Incarnation. What a wonderful joy to think that now, side by side with the risen and ascended Christ, one of us, of mankind, a woman of flesh and blood is enthroned and in Her we can see the glory which will, we believe, be ours if we are faithful to God as She was...

Metropolitan Anthony (Bloom)  
Sunday, 28th August, 1986



### **Many Years!**

#### **Namedays:**

Frank (Subdeacon Maximus Tikhon)  
Kidner (13<sup>th</sup>)  
Micah Flynn (14<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Birthdays:**

Vasil Azarov (12<sup>th</sup>)  
Pretty (Joanna) Sims (13<sup>th</sup>)  
Lydie Cappe (15<sup>th</sup>)  
Anya Grenier (16<sup>th</sup>)  
Rebecca Jorgenson (17<sup>th</sup>)

### **Thank You!**

Please join us downstairs for our fellowship meal.

Thanks to Katherine S. and Matushka Sophia for preparing today's lunch!

*Please do sign up to host a Sunday lunch - it can be a fun way to make or strengthen a friendship and is a beautiful service to all.*