

Announcements

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors.** Whether you are searching for a new church or just visiting, we welcome you and hope your experience at the Divine Liturgy is edifying and spiritually nourishing. If you have a prayer request, are looking for more information about the Orthodox Christian faith, would like to join the parish, or would like to speak with Fr Kirill, we invite you to fill out a visitor information card or send an e-mail. Please join us for lunch after the service!
- **Youth Equipped to Serve (YES) day trip.** A daylong service project for Orthodox high school and college youth will be held in San Francisco Saturday, Nov 9. Participants engage with the poverty of their city and are trained to grow into servant leaders in their own communities. Participants will begin their day here at Holy Trinity. More information at yesnorthamerica.org or on the bulletin board.
- **Fundraising Banquet for IOCC.** In support of the global humanitarian work of International Orthodox Christian Charities, the 27th annual "Remembering Home" Banquet will be held on Sunday, Nov 10, in Novato in the evening. Details at ioccc.org and on the bulletin board.
- **Memory Eternal.** Mrs. Iraida Tsenin fell asleep in the Lord on October 17, just one day short of her 102nd birthday. In recent years she has been living closest to St. Nicholas Church in San Anselmo but was a long-time parishioner here at Holy Trinity Cathedral where her late husband, Konstantin Tsenin (+1984), was the warden (starosta). The funeral will be served at St. Nicholas on Wednesday at 5:30 pm and interment will be at 10 am on Thursday at Serbian Cemetary in Colma.

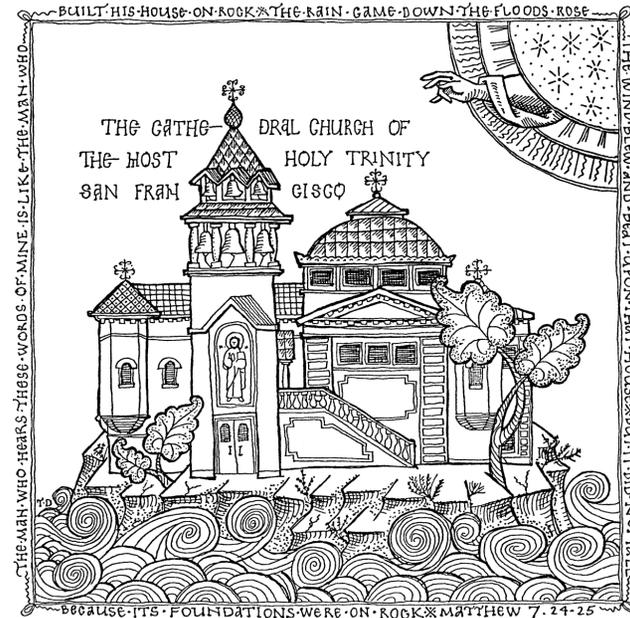
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Wed. Oct. 23:** 6:00 pm Vespers & Study Group (all welcome)
- Sat. Oct. 26:** 5:00 Intro to Orthodoxy Class (all welcome)
6:00 pm Vigil and Confessions
- Sun. Oct. 27:** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship meal
Parking available at St. Brigid's

Contact Fr. Kirill

Question? Want to sit down to talk? Or be on the email list?
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Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, October 20, 2019

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Today's Epistle
2 Corinthians 9:6-11
Today's Gospel
Luke 16:19-31

18th Sunday After Pentecost
Great Martyr Artemius at
Antioch (362)
Tone 1

Today's Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Brethren: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Let each one give according as he has determined in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for "God loves a cheerful giver." And God is able to make all grace abound in you, so that always having ample means, you may abound in every good work. As it is written, "He has scattered abroad and has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." Now he who provides the sower with seed will both give you bread to eat and will multiply your seed, and will increase the fruits of your righteousness; that being enriched in all things, you may contribute with great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

Today's Gospel Readings

Luke 16:19-31

The Lord said this parable: "There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

"Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.'

"Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest

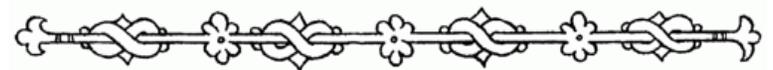
they also come to this place of torment.' Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'

Pledging and Stewardship

Today's Epistle reading talks about giving: "Let each one give according as he has determined in his heart..." From the perspective of Scripture, giving includes the giving of our time, talents, and resources as actions based on our belief in God. We are taught that our faith must be matched with action. We are blessed at Holy Trinity with many parishioners who give freely and generously of their time to church projects. We are thankful that so many of our parishioners share their talents to further the work of our parish.

The Bible teaches us to make sacrificial and proportional offerings to God in thanksgiving for God's many blessings to us. The only factor that influences how much we give should be our faith in God and our desire to give in direct proportion to how much He has given to us. Giving our "first fruits" generously, cheerfully, and before anything else is a discipline we develop in order to truly be Orthodox Christian stewards in the manner intended by God.

The amount we pledge and give is between us and God. Through prayer each of us reflects on the words of Proverbs 3:9, "Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce." May God bless and help us in our deliberations as we consider our individual giving and begin planning our parish budget for the Year of Our Lord, 2020.



Many Years!

Birthdays

Deanna Micros (Oct 24th)

Namedays

Dima Gaudreau (Oct 26th)
Demetre Kavtaradze (Oct 26th)

Thank You

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

Thanks to the Sims Family
for preparing today's meal.