

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.
- **The Pascha of the Lord: His Last Supper, Crucifixion, Burial, and Rising.** It is a sacred task for each of us to order our lives by the commemoration of the Lord's saving for us. Holy Week: April 12-18. Request Holy Friday, April 17, off from work and other obligations! PASCHA (Easter): April 19.
- **Notes on COVID-19.** I shared some of my thoughts on COVID-19 with parishioners by e-mail yesterday. Please write me if you did not receive your copy: frkirill@holy-trinity.org.

This Week at Holy Trinity

- Wed. Mar. 11:** 6:00 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts followed by potluck supper
Parking available Wednesday at St. Brigid's
- Fri. Mar. 13:** 6:00 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
Parking available Friday at St. Brigid's
- Sat. Mar. 14:** 5:00 pm Intro to Orthodoxy Class (all welcome!)
6:00 pm Vigil & Confessions
Parking available Saturday at St. Brigid's
- Sun. Mar. 15:** **Second Sunday of Great Lent**
10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship meal
Parking available Sunday at St. Brigid's

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting by video conference

Contact Fr. Kirill

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



Sunday, March 8, 2020

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Today's Epistle

Heb. 11:24-26, 32-12:2

Today's Gospel

John 1:43-51

**1st Sunday of Lent. Sunday of
Orthodoxy. St. Theophylactus,
Bishop of Nicomedia (842-845).
Tone 5.**

Today's Epistle

Heb. 11:24-26, 32:12-2

Brethren: By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt. For he was looking to the reward.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon and of Barak, of Samson and of Jephthah, of David and of Samuel and the prophets, who by faith conquered kingdoms, wrought justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became valiant in battle, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead raised back to life. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and scourging, yes, even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were put to death by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – they wandered over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though they had been approved by the testimony of faith, did not receive what was promised, for God had something better in view for us, that without us they should not be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Today's Gospel

John 1:43-51

At that time: The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me. Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see. Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom

is no guile! Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee. Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel. Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these. And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.

Sunday of Orthodoxy

Over the past few centuries the view has grown within Christianity that the significance and character of the icon is not decisive for the teaching of the faith. But the history of the Church and her teachings demonstrate the opposite: it is not for nothing that the bloody struggle against iconoclasm lasted for over 100 years. The Orthodox liturgical calendar is full of the names of martyrs and confessors for icons. And they didn't go to martyrdom, tortures and deaths for a work of art (the icon was never viewed that way), nor for a painted board, but for the confession of the faith through the icon... In it the Church reveals the genuine essence of the Christian icon as the visible and immutable witness of the Incarnation (and not only as one in a series of Old Testament and New Testament theophanies). This dogma is the result of the acceptance by Christianity of the fullness of Christ's nature as both God and human. —Leonid Ouspensky, *On the Way to Unity?*

**Many Years!****Birthdays:**

Alexandra Nancy Thompson (Mar 8)
Steven Micros (Mar 8)
John McBride (Mar 13)

Anniversary:

William Paul Barnes
(Reception into Church; Mar 8)

Congratulations:

We offer our prayers and best wishes to the Martin family who were enrolled as catechumens today!

Welcome

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

Lenten Potluck

This Wednesday, after Presanctified Liturgy, we have a Lenten potluck. Bring a little something to share.

Thank You!

Thanks to Matushka Sophia for preparing today's meal!