

## Announcements

- **Bookstore Open.** Our Bookstore volunteers are excited to open up the Bookstore for your use after Sunday Liturgy and by arrangement.
- **Church School** for grades K-4 meets today, Sunday, March 7 at 3 PM. Both classes are scheduled to meet again on Sunday, March 28.
- **Friday Lenten Reading Group.** Friday, March 12, we will begin a Lenten Reading Group Zoom led by Bruce Oberon-Levoff.. We will be reading *The Sunflower* by St. John Maximovitch of Tobolsk.

### This Week at Holy Trinity

After this Sunday, no more meat is eaten until the Sunday of Pascha, but otherwise there is no fasting this week, so that eggs, cheese, butter, milk, and fish are permitted each day, including Wednesday and Friday.

- Wed. March 10:** 6:00 pm Vespers
- Fri. March 12:** 7:00 pm Lenten Reading Group Zoom
- Sat. March 13:** **Commemoration of All Righteous Monastics**  
9:00 am Divine Liturgy  
12:30pm Intro to Orthodoxy Zoom  
5:30 pm Memorial Service (Panikhida)  
6:00 pm Great Vespers
- Sun. March 14:** **Cheesefare Sunday – Forgiveness Sunday**  
*Daylight Saving Time begins*  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy  
6:00 pm Vespers of Forgiveness – Beginning of Great Lent  
*Parking available for both Sunday services at St. Brigid's*
- Mon. March 15:** **Clean Week – First Day of the Great Fast**  
*On Clean Monday, Parking available all day at St. Brigid's for services and confession appointments (School holiday).*  
9:00 am Matins  
12:00 noon Lenten Hours and Confessions  
6:00 pm Great Compline – Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Live-stream links:

<https://www.youtube.com/HolyTrinityOrthodoxCathedralSanFrancisco>

<https://www.facebook.com/holytrinitycathedral>

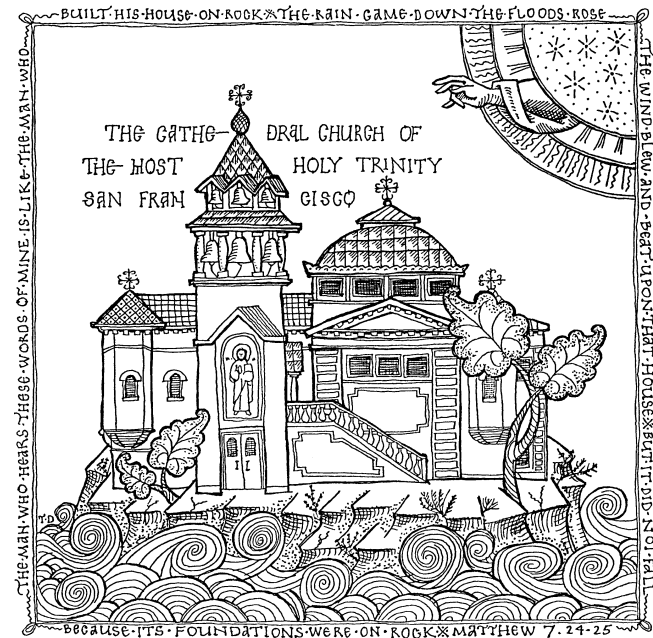
For those with limited Internet connectivity: (888) 869-1520

### Contact Fr. Kirill

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# Holy Trinity Cathedral



## Sunday, March 7, 2021

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We are delighted to be together with you in worshipping the Holy Trinity.  
Please follow all signs and instructions from greeters. We wear face coverings, maintain physical distance, and use hand sanitizer. Welcome!

## Today's Epistle

1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2

## Today's Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

## Sunday of Meatfare

## Sunday of the Last Judgment

## Tone 6

### Today's Epistle

1 Cor. 8:8-9:2

Brethren, food does not commend us to God. We lose nothing if we refuse to eat; we gain nothing if we eat. But take heed lest this liberty of yours somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone sees thee who hast knowledge at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And through thy knowledge the weak one will perish, the brother for whom Christ died. Now when you sin thus against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I shall never eat meat again, lest I cause my brother to fall.

Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? And if to others I am not an apostle, yet to you I am; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

### Today's Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

The Lord said: "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

"Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King

will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

"Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.'

"Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

### Criterion for Judgment

As Father Alexander Schmemmann reminds us in his book *Great Lent* (Ch. 1:4), sin is the absence of love, it is separation and isolation. When Christ comes to judge the world, His criterion for judgment will be love. Christian love entails seeing Christ in other people, our family, our friends, and everyone else we may encounter in our lives. We shall be judged on whether we have loved, or not loved, our neighbor. We show Christian love when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit those who are sick or in prison. If we did such things for the least of Christ's brethren, then we also did them for Christ (Mt.25:40). If we did not do such things for the least of the brethren, neither did we do them for Christ (Mt.25:45).



### Many Years!

#### Anniversary of Chrismation

William Paul Barnes (Mar 8)

#### Birthday

Steven Micros (Mar 8)

Alexandra Thompson (Mar 8)

John McBride (Mar 13)

### Thank You

We thank God for those preparing to-go coffee and Meatfare treats after the Saturday and Sunday Liturgies, and for those organizing our meal ministry this weekend.