

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 coffee and fellowship after the service. We would love to greet you and answer any questions.
- **Baptism of Ilaria Eldridge.** We welcome into the community of faith our newest illumined Ilaria, daughter of Daria and Aaron. Many years!
- **Memory Eternal.** We grieve and hope with Deanna Micros on the falling asleep of her sister, Laura, on Friday.
- **This week** we celebrate the Nativity of the Theotokos on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning.
- **Christian Education.** We'll have our monthly church school for K-5 students next Sunday, September 12, and for teens on Sunday, September 19. Our parish is planning to host a gathering of high school teens from around the Bay Area the afternoon of Sunday, October 3. College students meet Thursday at lunch at USF. For adults, our reading group with Bruce Oberon-Levoff is continuing at the park after fellowship and we'll have a Zoom with Fr. Kirill on Saturday, September 25.
- **Men's Group.** A men's fellowship group will meet Wednesday, September 22, following our short 6:00 vespers. More information to follow.

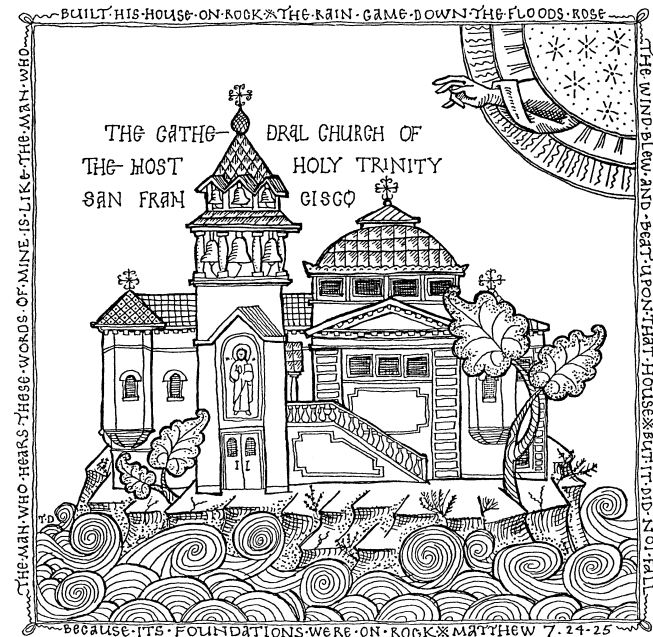
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Sep. 7:** 6:00 pm Festal Vigil on eve of the Nativity
- Wed. Sep. 8:** **Nativity of the Most Holy Theotokos & Ever-Virgin Mary**
9:30 am Divine Liturgy
(no Wednesday Vespers this week)
- Thu. Sep. 9:** 12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF
- Sat. Sep. 11:** **National Day of Service & Remembrance**
6:00 pm Vigil & Confessions
- Sun. Sep. 12:** **Leavetaking of the Nativity of the Theotokos**
9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by
fellowship hour, Church School (K-5), and reading group
Parking available at St. Brigid's

Contact Fr. Kirill

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



Sunday, September 5, 2021

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Archbishop of San Francisco and the West

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We are delighted to be together with you in worshipping the Holy Trinity
Masks are now required for all in public indoor places

Today's Epistle Readings

1 Corinthians 9:2-12

Today's Gospel Readings

Matthew 18:23-35

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Prophet Zachariah and

Righteous Elizabeth, parents

of St. John the Baptist (1st c.)

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Today's Epistle

1 Corinthians 9:2-12

Brethren: You are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. My defense against those who question me is this: Have we not a right to eat and to drink? Do we not have a right to be accompanied by a woman, a sister, as do the other apostles, and the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to stop working? What soldier ever serves at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Who feeds the flock and does not eat of the milk of the flock? Do I speak these things on human authority? Or does not the Law also say these things? For it is written in the law of Moses, "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treads out the grain." Is it about oxen that God is concerned? Or does He not speak entirely for our sake? These things were written for us. For he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes, in hope of partaking of the fruits. If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share in this right over you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure all things, lest we offer hindrance to the Gospel of Christ.

Today's Gospel

Matthew 18:23-35

The Lord said this parable: the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

"But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by

the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

"So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

Infant Baptism

[Our understanding is] very far from the flat idea that Baptism cannot be received unless it is "understood" and "accepted," and therefore it is to be given only to "adults." Maybe the ultimate grace of Baptism is indeed that it makes us children, restores us in that "childhood" without which, in the words of Christ Himself, it is impossible to receive the Kingdom of God. What preparation means therefore is a total act of the Church, the recapitulation by her of all that makes baptismal regeneration possible. For the whole Church is changed, enriched and fulfilled when another child of God is integrated into her life and becomes a member of Christ's Body.

-Father Alexander Schmemmann, *Of Water and the Spirit*



Many Years!

Wedding Anniversary:

Felicia & Jason Dunham (Sep 6)

Nameday:

Amy Elizabeth Berry (Sep 5)

Birthday:

Pandora Pickering (Sep 6)

Misha Edel (Sep 7)

Emmanuel Manasievici (Sep 7)

Luke Jorgenson (Sep 8)

Thank you!

Please join us downstairs for coffee and refreshments. Thanks to the great team who organized today's festive BBQ and coffee fellowship.

Godspeed!

We wish every blessing from the Lord on Protodeacon Brendan Doss who is completing fifteen years of diaconal ministry in our parish and relocating to Texas this week.