

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.
- **Men's Group.** A men's fellowship group will meet this week Wednesday, October 27, following our short 6:00 vespers. More information in e-mail.
- **Square Dance October 29.** St. Nicholas Church in San Anselmo is hosting a square dance festivity on Friday, October 29, 6:30 to 10:00 pm. They are inviting us to help make this a multi-parish get-together. See the poster on our bulletin board for details.
- **Movie November 3.** Let's go to the movies! A new film depicting C.S. Lewis' dramatic journey from atheism to Christianity is showing here in San Francisco on November 3 at 7:00 pm. Details sent out by e-mail.
- **IOCC Fundraiser November 7.** International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) is a charitable organization inspired by Matthew 25:35-36,40. Our parish is taking part in preparing for their annual Bay Area fundraiser, which will be a food and wine event hosted at Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church in Moraga, CA, on November 7 from 4-7 pm. Please see email from Dr. Katherine Strelkoff with details.
- **Teen Gathering November 15.** The next gathering of high school teens is being planned for Sunday, November 14. This time it will be hosted by St. Seraphim Cathedral in Santa Rosa. A last fest before the Nativity fast!

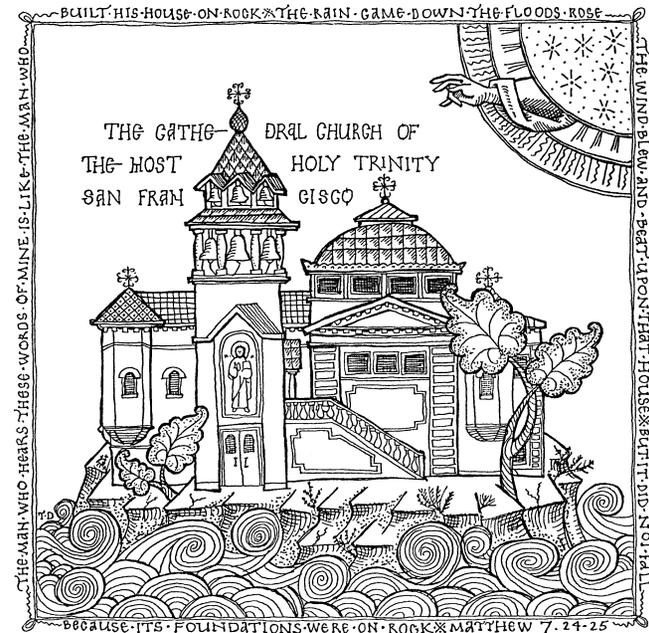
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Mon. Oct. 25:** 7:00 pm Parish Council Zoom
- Tue. Oct. 26:** Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF (college students)
- Wed. Oct. 27:** 6:00 pm Vespers followed by Men's Group gathering
- Sat. Oct. 30:** 6:00 pm Vigil followed by Confessions
- Sun. Oct. 31:** 9:30 am Divine Liturgy
followed by fellowship hour 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, October 24, 2021

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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

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Today's Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

18th Sunday after Pentecost

"Joy of All Who Sorrow" Icon of the Mother of God

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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 Reading

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.

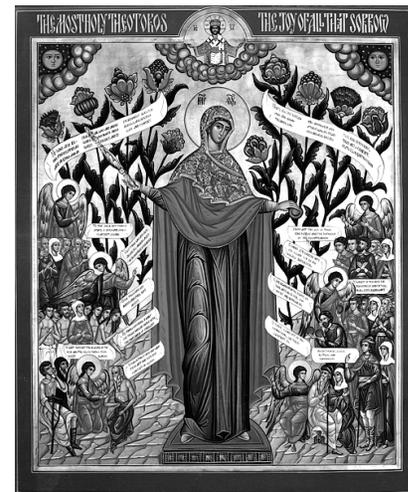
"Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but 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.'

Icon of the Mother of God "Joy of All Who Sorrow" (Oct 24)

How much consolation is contained in just the name of this Icon: awakening and strengthening the people's faith in the Mother of God, as a wondrous helper, who hastens everywhere where the groan of human suffering is heard, who wipes away the tears of those who mourn, and in the deepest of sorrow, bestows moments of delight and heavenly joy. "Rejoice always, O Heavenly Joy of all who Sorrow!"

On October 24, the Church commemorates the Icon of the Mother of God, Joy of All Who Sorrow. A woman named Euphymia (sister of Patriarch Joachim) received healing from sickness after obeying a voice telling her to find this icon and have the priest celebrate a Molieben with a blessing of the waters. This miracle occurred on October 24, 1688. This is the patronal feast day of the Holy Virgin Cathedral on Geary Blvd (November 6 on the old reckoning).



In our Cathedral, we have a version of this icon that was glorified in 1888 after a chapel in St. Petersburg struck by lightning. Miraculously, a copy of the "Joy of All Who Sorrow" icon survived despite all else being burned. Twelve coins from the poor box had become fused to the icon. The banners on the icon read, "Clothing for the naked," "Healing for the sick."

The design of this icon depicts the Theotokos, a most beautiful blossom of heaven, standing among the flowers of paradise. Her Son is visible above her in the clouds, the King of heaven and earth. Along both sides of the icon, framing the Mother of God, are suppliants asking for her intercession. She stands with her arms spread open and her head tilted as if listening. The tenderness and kindness of a loving mother are evident in her face. She stands in paradise and yet among us.



Many Years!

Birthday:

Deanna Micros (Oct 24)

Nameday:

Demetre Kavtaradze (Oct 26)

Thank you!

Please join us for coffee and refreshments after the Divine Liturgy.

Our gratitude to Ksenia for contributing to today's fellowship time!