

Announcements

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors.** We welcome you and hope your experience at the Divine Liturgy is edifying and spiritually nourishing. Please take a moment after the service to introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Kirill. You are invited to join us for lunch after the service. We would love to greet you and answer any questions.
- **Charity Appeal.** Today will be the last day of our charity appeal collection. This year, our parish is distributing our alms to a recent refugee family in need.
- **Thanksgiving.** What a wonderful celebration we had on Thanksgiving! Thanks to all who contributed to our potluck!
- **Our Advent Retreat** is planned for Saturday, December 2. Vigil that day will be at 4:00 pm to coincide with the end of the Retreat. Did you miss the registration window? OK, we'll keep it open for a few more days: holy-trinity.org/events. See you there!
- **The Feast of the beloved Saint Nicholas** is on December 6. The celebration will take place at the Parish of St. Nicholas in San Anselmo (Vigil Dec. 5 at 7 PM, Liturgy Dec. 6 at 9:30 AM. All are invited to attend.

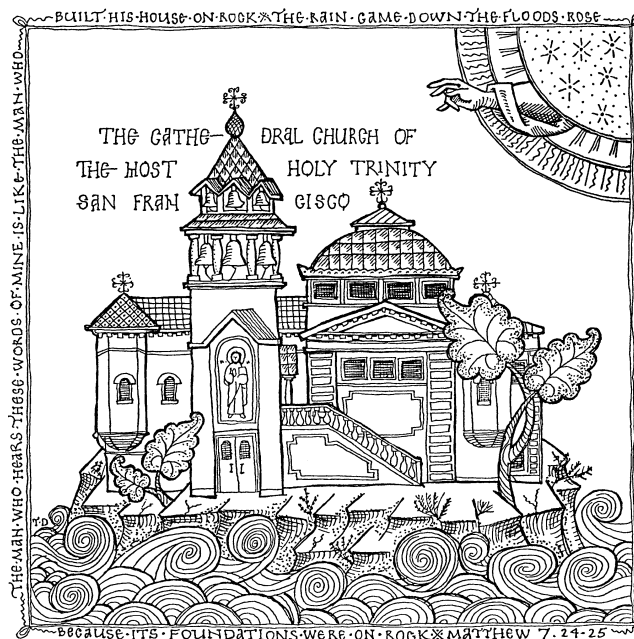
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Nov. 28** 12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF
- Wed. Nov. 29:** 6:00 pm Great Vespers for feast of St. Andrew
(see explanation on inside of bulletin)
Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's
- Thu. Nov. 30:** Divine Liturgy for feast of St. Sebastian of Jackson and SF
at St. Sava Church in Jackson, CA
- Sat. Dec. 2:** **Annual Advent Retreat**
10:30 am First Session (see flier for complete schedule)
12:00 pm Sixth Hour Prayers
4:00 pm Vigil and Confessions (please note special time)
Parking available 9:45am – 5:45pm at St. Brigid's
- Sun. Nov. 26:** **26th Sunday After Pentecost. Prophet Zephaniah.**
9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship Hour
Parking available Sunday morning at St. Brigid's

Contact Fr. Kirill

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



Sunday, November 26, 2023

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We are delighted to be together with you in worshipping the Holy Trinity.
Welcome!

Today's Epistle

Ephesians 4:1-6

Today's Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

25th Sunday after Pentecost.

St. Innocent, first Bishop

of Irkutsk (1731).

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Today's Epistle Reading

Ephesians 4:1-6

Brethren, I the prisoner in the Lord, exhort you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all humility and meekness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, careful to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, even as you were called in one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all.

Today's Gospel Reading

Luke 13:10-17

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day."

The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

Feast of St. Andrew – November 30

In the Orthodox practice, major feasts are announced by "pre-feast" verses and hymns sung at services that lead up to the great feast. And

the celebration of the Lord's incarnation, His Nativity, is certainly no exception! The canon of the feast of the Nativity begins to be sung on the festival of the entrance of the Virgin Mary into the temple (November 21) and the first pre-feast hymns of Christmas are sung on the feast of "the all-praised and first-called apostle Andrew" (November 30; *we'll sing Vespers on Wednesday evening, November 29*).

In the gospel according to Saint John, Philip tells his friend Nathanael to "come and see" Jesus, but it is Jesus Himself who invites Andrew to "come and see" where He dwells and to spend the day with Him, together with another disciple of John the Baptist, who is probably the evangelist himself.

Come and see! This is the abiding invitation of the Church in her liturgical services. Come with faith and you will be numbered with those to whom "it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven" (Mt 13: 11). You will be found with those to whom insight has been granted into "the mystery of Christ" which is "the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things" which is now made manifest "through the Church" even to the angels (Eph 3:4, 9-10).

To go the way of the Winter Pascha is, according to Saint Gregory the Theologian, to "travel without fault through every stage and faculty of the life of Christ." It is to enter into the mysteries of the Messiah, "all of which have but one completion: my perfection and return to the first condition of Adam." It is to "see and be seen by the great God who in Trinity is worshipped and glorified, and whom we now set forth before you as clearly as the bonds of flesh permit, in Jesus Christ our Lord."

-adapted from The Winter Pascha, by Fr. Thomas Hopko



Many Years!

Anniversaries of Chrismations and Baptisms

Robert Allen (Reader Stephen) Parent (11/27)

Justin & Sarah Disney (12/1)

Vitesse (Josephine) & Quête (Amelia) Disney (12/2)

Nameday

Andrew Pickering (11/30)

Birthday

Ella Jorgenson (11/27)

Larissa Edel (12/1)

Welcome!

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