

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Week of November 18 - 24, 2007 * 25th Sunday after Pentecost

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Eph. 4:1-6

BRETHREN: I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just 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 you all.



THE LORD SPOKE THIS PARABLE:

Luke 12:16-21

The land of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry." 'But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

According to Holy Tradition, the **Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple** took place in the following manner. The parents of the Virgin Mary, Joachim and Anna, praying for an end to their childlessness, vowed that if a child were born to them, they would dedicate it to the service of God.

When the Most Holy Virgin reached the age of three, the holy parents decided to fulfill their vow. They gathered together their relatives and acquaintances, and dressed the All-Pure Virgin in Her finest clothes. Singing sacred songs and with lighted candles in their hands, virgins escorted Her to the Temple (Ps. 44/45:14-15). There the High Priest and several priests met the handmaiden of God. In the Temple, fifteen high steps led to the sanctuary, which only the priests and High Priest could enter. The child Mary, so it seemed, could not make it up this stairway. But just as they placed Her on the first step, strengthened by the power of God, She quickly went up the remaining steps and ascended to the highest one. Then the High Priest, through inspiration from above, led the Most Holy Virgin into the Holy of Holies, where only the High Priest entered once a year to offer a purifying sacrifice of blood. Therefore, all those present in the Temple were astonished at this most unusual occurrence.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Nov 18th Greeter: Sonia Matyczyk Cleaning: R. Delaney Coffee: Sisterhood, et al

Sunday Nov 25th Greeter: Sonia Matyczyk Cleaning: R. Delaney Coffee: Bartos / Pich

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 1804 YTD: \$114,831 **[83.4%]** YTD Goal: \$ 137,745 (45wks) [\$3061/wk]

DAILY READINGS: Nov 19th 1Tim. 1:1-7 Luke 17:20-25 Nov 20th 1Tim. 1:8-14 Luke 17:26-37 Nov 21st 1Tim. 1:18-20;2:8-15 Luke 18:15-17,26-30 Nov 22nd 1Tim. 3:1-13 Luke 18:31-34 Nov 23rd 1Tim. 4:4-8,16 Luke 19:12-28 Nov 24th Gal. 3:8-12 Luke 10:19-21

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, Nov 18th Hierarchal Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. - Coffee Hour

Monday, Nov 19th

Tuesday, Nov 20th 40th Day Panikhida 5:30 p.m. Festal Vesperal Liturgy 6:00 p.m. followed by Pot Luck Supper

Wednesday, Nov 21st ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS

Thursday, Nov 22nd **Thansgiving Day**

Friday, Nov 23rd Visitation to Jerome Home for confession & communion 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, Nov 24th Confession 3:00 p.m. Vespers 4:00 p.m. Confession

> **100 PLUS CLUR** Collected: \$ 5500

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

•Hierarchal Visit: We welcome our Bishop NIKON of Boston, New England and the Albanian Archdiocese.

◆40th Day Panikhida: This Tuesday, Nov. 20th we will celebrate the 40th Day Panikhida for Helen Dresko 5:30 p.m.

• Feast Day: Also on Tuesday, we will have Vesperal Liturgy at 6:00 p.m. for the <u>Great Feast of the</u> <u>Entrance of the Theotokos</u> and Pot Luck Supper. PLEASE see Rosemary Delaney or Phyllis Bartos to sign up for food.

•The November monthly charity is the Friendship Center here in New Britain. In addition to our monetary donations you can check out their 'Wish List' on the web at www.friendshipservicecenter.org/



wishlist.htm. We will take our monthly charity collection on the last Sunday of this month.

"For the sick and suffering" Olga Skotnicki Mary Glowacki Mary Roman Maria Stregotsky Dina Karanowytch Matrona Aguzzi Valentin Zurawlew Vera Luzetti Michael Truhan - in need of our prayers: Lydia Dorsey Peter Roshak (son of Fr. Michael Roshak Three Saints, Ansonia) Archbishop PETER (retired Abp. of NY and NJ - pneumonia) Archpriest Nicholas Timpko (recovery - knee surgery) Archpriest William DuBovik (All Saints, Hartford) Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS -Johnstown, PA) Priest Robert McMeekin (Parkinson's -St. Croix Falls, WI) Stephen Tvardzik (grandson Fr. John & Pani Pat Duranko) Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)

Nicholas Selivonik (Friend of Tania Bouteneff) Tatiana Selivonik (Friend of Tania Bouteneff) child Justin Holmes (Infant friend of the Bichum's) Elena Deschesne (Cousin of Ed Bichun) Judy Flood (Sister-in-Law of Rosemary Delaney) Joan Anderson (Sister-in-Law of Rosemary Delaney) Wayne Demske (Cousin of Rosemary Delaney) Tatiana Kokotiuk (Mother of Raisa Shafran) John Baraglia (cancer-Cemetery Sexton) Donat Martin (Father-in-law of Nancy Martin) Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun) Louise Lefebvre (cancer - Friend of Diane Polzun) child Timothy Armstrong Jr. (Greatnephew of Ann Myszka) Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Terryville)

..... and all those shut-in and in Nursing Homes!

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PLEASE be generous and use the envelopes that come in our monthly mailings.

•Coat Drive: Ann Myszka's company, MANAGING AGENCY GROUP, is running a "gently used" coat drive. There will be a box downstairs where you can drop off coats until the last day, Sunday, December 2nd.

•Men's Club Lotto -

99 Helen Diasio Support the Men's Club Church Improvement Fund!!

Do you have a number ?

•Future Dates: Monday, Nov. 26th Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28th Daily Vespers 6:30 p.m. and Diocesan Council Meeting 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29th Confession 2:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30th & Saturday, Dec.

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1st @ 8:00 a.m. The Piroghi Workshop will be making sauerkraut on Friday and stuffing & pinching on Saturday.

Wednesday, Dec. 5th Vesperal Liturgy for the Feast of St. Nicholas 6:00 p.m. followed by Pot Luck Supper.

Sunday, Dec. 9th "St. Nicholas Day" Brunch at Coffee Hour. Wednesday, Dec. 12th Vesperal

Liturgy for the Feastday of St. Herman of Alaska 6:00 p.m. followed by Pot Luck Supper.

Wednesday, Dec. 16th Parents meeting for church school aged children following coffee hour.