Announcements

- Welcome Guests and Visitors. We are delighted to have you join us at our service today in worshiping 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.
- Second Sunday School! Our elementary and middle grade Church School programs will be taught on the Second Sunday of each month (*that's today*!) to help us all plan ahead. We will start all together at 11:30 in the Library and then break off into age-based classrooms. We'll come together and close with singing at 12:30. Our lessons will engage the real issues in the lives of young people so beautifully laid by St. Paul's teachings to the Romans. Ms. Amy Berry will head the K-4 section and Fr. Kirill will take the 5-8 graders. Teens and Young Adults will meet with Dr. Ryan Perkins on another Sunday (the 24th this month).
- **Parish Picnic Next Sunday!** Annual parish picnic on Sunday, September 17, at Lindley Meadow in Golden Gate Park after the Divine Liturgy. Great location, BBQ, potluck, jump house for kids... should be fun! Please look online for ways you can help make this a grand time for all. Thank you!

This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Sep. 12: 12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF
- Wed. Sep. 13:5:30 pm Panikhida for Fr Vladmir Sakovich & other departed
6:00 pm Festal Vigil with Bringing Out of the Precious Cross
Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's

Thu. Sep. 14:Universal Exaltation of the Precious & Life-Giving Cross
(strict fast day)8:00 am Divine Liturgy (please note time)
7:00 pm Online Bible Study with Fr. James

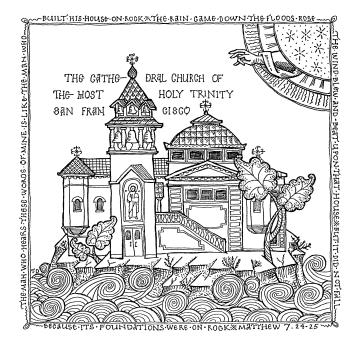
Sat. Sep. 16: 4:30 pm Intro to Orthodoxy Class for inquirers and catechumens - all welcome!
6:00 pm Vigil followed by Confessions Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's

Sun. Sep. 17:Sunday after Elevation of the Cross9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by
Annual Parish Picnic at Golden Gate Park (see above)
Parking available Sunday morning at St. Brigid's

Contact Fr. Kirill

Question? Want to talk? Or be on our email list? FrKirill@holy-trinity.org • 415-673-8565

Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, September 10, 2023

Most Reverend Benjamin, Archbishop of San Francisco and the West

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We are delighted to be together with you in worshiping the Holy Trinity. Welcome! Today's Epistles Galatians 6:11-18 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 Today's Gospels John 3:13-17 Matthew 21:33-42 14th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross; Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos; Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora, and Nymphodora Tone 5

Today's Epistle Readings

Galatians 6:11-18 (Sunday before the Elevation)

Brethren: See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who desire to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even they who are circumcised keep the Law; but they desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision is of any avail, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, and upon the Israel of God.

Henceforth let no man trouble me, for I bear on my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.

Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, who has anointed us and set His seal upon us, and who has given us the Spirit as a pledge in our hearts. Now I call God to witness against my soul that it was to spare you that I did not again come to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; but rather we are fellow workers in your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to come to you again in sorrow. For if I make you sad, who can gladden me, save the very one who is grieved by me? And I wrote to you as I did, so that when I came I might not be pained by those who should have made me rejoice; for I had confidence in you all, that my joy is the joy of you all. For I wrote to you in much affliction and anguish of heart, with many tears, not that you might be grieved, but that you might know the great love which I have for you.

Today's Gospel Readings

John 3:13-17 (Sunday before the Elevation)

The Lord said: No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Matthew 22:1-14

The Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding." 'But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

"For many are called, but few are chosen."



Many Years!

Chrismation Anniversary: Katherine Gaudreau (Sep 13)

> **Birthday:** Patricia Eurich (Sep 16)

Thank You

Welcome guests and visitors! Please join us for coffee and lunch after the Divine Liturgy.

Thanks to the Women's Group for preparing today's lunch!