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 warmly invited to our annual parish picnic in Golden Gate Park after today's divine liturgy (see next item).
- **Parish Picnic!** Annual parish picnic today at Lindley Meadow in Golden Gate Park after the Divine Liturgy. Great location, BBQ, potluck, jump house for kids... should be fun! Those with cars are offering rides. Address: 1054 JFK Drive. East end of Lindley Meadow, Sites 3-5.
- **Blood Drive.** We are hosting a Blood Drive at our church on Sunday, October 1 11:15-3:15! Make an appointment today at donors.vitalant.org using our blood drive code: *Give Life* HTC
- The liturgical day begins in the evening with the setting of the sun, following the Biblical account of creation: "And there was evening and there was morning, one day" (Gen 1:5). Vespers is the first service of the Daily Cycle, and it takes place in the early evening. It begins with the chanting of the evening psalm: ". . . the sun knows its time for setting, Thou makest darkness and it is night . . ." (Ps 103:19–20). Glorifying God's creation of the world and thanking Him for it, this psalm is mankind's first act of worship, for we first of all meet God as our Creator. Resurrectional Vespers is every Saturday at 6 pm, usually sung with Sunday Matins as our *vigil* moving us toward the Eucharistic mystery on Sunday morning.

This Week at Holy Trinity

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Tue. Sep. 19: Wed. Sep. 20:	12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF 6:00 pm Vespers Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's
Thu. Sep. 21:	7:00 pm Online Bible Study with Fr. James
Sat. Sep. 23:	6:00 pm Vigil followed by Confessions Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's
Sun. Sep. 24:	 16th Sunday After Pentecost. Holy Martyrs of Alaska. 9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by potluck Fellowship Hour, Church School (High School & Young Adult) and Parish Council Meeting Parking available Sunday morning at St. Brigid's

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Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, September 17, 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 2:16-20 2 Corinthians 4:6-15 Today's Gospels Mark 8:34-9:1 Matthew 22:35-46 15th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross; Martyr Sophia, and her three daughters: Faith (Vera), Hope (Nadezhda), and Love (Liubov, Charity), at Rome (ca. 137). Tone 6

Today's Epistle Readings

Galatians 2:16-20 (Sunday After)

Brethren: We know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Hence we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, for by works of the Law shall no flesh be justified. But if, while we are seeking to be justified in Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore the minister of sin? God forbid. For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live to God. I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me. And the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

2 Corinthians 4:6-15

Brethren: God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shone in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we carry this treasure in vessels of clay, to show that the abundance of power is God's, and not ours. We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are sorely pressed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our bodies. For while we live we are always being delivered up to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus may also be made manifest in our mortal flesh. So then death works in us, but life in you.

We having the same spirit of faith, as shown in that which is written, "I believed, and therefore have I spoken;" we also believe, and therefore speak; knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise us up also by Jesus, and shall present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, so that the grace which abounds through the many might cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

Today's Gospel Readings

Mark 8:34-9:1 (Sunday After)

The Lord said, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

Matthew 22:35-46

At that time, one of the Pharisees, a lawyer, asked Jesus a question, testing Him, and saying, "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?"

Jesus said to him, " 'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?"

They said to Him, "The Son of David."

He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying:

'The LORD said to my Lord,

"Sit at My right hand,

Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" '?

If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son?" And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.



Many Years!

Annual Picnic!

Wedding Anniversary:

Mark Pothier & Nicole Kee Fricke-Pothier (Sep 17) Johann & Helen Morse (Sep 23)

> **Nameday:** Seva Anderson (Sep 16) Matushka Sophia Sokolov (Sep 18)

Birthday:

Elliot Sylvan Dunham (Sep 18)

Normally we have lunch and fellowship after our Sunday worship and enjoy meeting all of our guests and visitors. Today we are looking forward to enjoying a picnic in Golden Gate Park. Please join us! All are welcome. Details on the back of this bulletin.