

Announcements

- **Welcome Guests and Visitors.** Whether you are searching for a new church or visiting, 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.
- **Blood Drive.** We are hosting a Blood Drive at our church next Sunday, October 1 11:15-3:15! Make an appointment today at donors.vitalant.org using our blood drive code: *Give Life HTC*
- **Ever since the Archangel Gabriel** first said, “Blessed art thou among women” to the Virgin Mary, these words of praise have inspired the faithful of the Christian Church to join the Archangel in his prophecy: “from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed” (Lk. 1:45). One of the most mysterious and deep inner feelings of the Orthodox Church is our celebration each October 1 of the feast of the Protecting Veil—or “Protection” (*Pokrov*)—of the Mother of God. In this feast we participate, anticipate, and spiritually delight in the vision of Our Lady which was seen by St. Andrew when he saw the All Holy Virgin with her Veil held over the City, protecting the people who were gathered in the church praying for help from conquerors. *This year*, we get to celebrate October 1 on a Sunday, so all of us can delight in this radiant celebration!

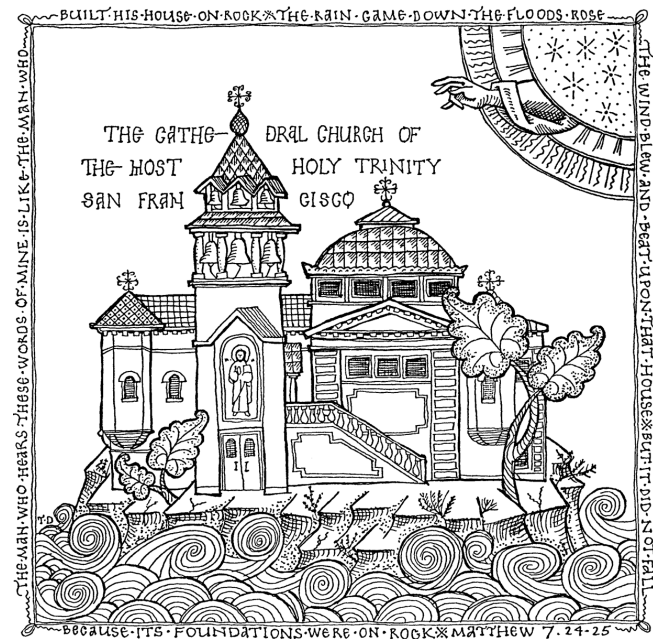
This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Sep. 26:** 12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF
- Wed. Sep. 27:** 6:00 pm Vespers followed by Men’s Group gathering
Parking available this evening at St. Brigid’s
- Thu. Sep. 28:** 7:00 pm Online Bible Study with Fr. James
- Sat. Sep. 30:** 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. Oct. 1:** **Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos**
9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship hour
11:15 am Blood Drive begins (till 3:15 pm)
Parking available till end of Blood Drive 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, September 24, 2023

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

Today's Epistles

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Romans 8:28-39

Today's Gospels

Luke 5:1-11

Luke 21:12-19

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy New Martyrs of Alaska,

Hieromonk Juvenal (ca. 1796)

and Peter the Aleut (1815)

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Today's Gospel Readings

Luke 5:1-11

At that time: as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.

When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net." And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!"

For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

Luke 21:12-19 (Martyrs)

The Lord said to His disciples: But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake. But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony. Therefore settle it in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But not a hair of your head shall be lost. By your patience possess your souls.

Today's Epistle Readings

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Brethren: As workers together with Him, we beseech you also not to receive the grace of God in vain. For He says, "I have heard thee in an acceptable time, and in the day of salvation have I helped thee." Behold, now is the acceptable time. Behold, now is the day of salvation. We give no offense to anyone, that our ministry may not be blamed. But as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way, in much patience, in afflictions, in hardships, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleepless nights, in fastings, by purity, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, in honor and dishonor, in evil report and good report, as deceivers and yet true, as unknown and yet well known, as dying and, behold, we live, as chastened and not killed, as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing, as poor, yet making many rich, as having nothing, yet possessing all things.

Romans 8:28-39 (Martyrs)

Brethren: we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, whom He has called according to His purpose. For those whom He has foreknown He has also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He should be the firstborn among many brethren. And those whom He predestined He has also called, and those whom He has called He has also justified, and those whom He has justified He has also glorified.

What then shall we say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how shall He not also give us all things with Him? Who shall make accusation against the elect of God? It is God who justifies! Who shall condemn? It is Christ Jesus who died, yes, and rose again, He who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? As it is written, "For Thy sake we are put to death all the day long. We are regarded as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in creation shall be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.



Many Years!

Nameday:

Lewis John Belonick (Sep 26)

John McBride (Sep 26)

Ketevan Peradze (Sep 26)

Birthday:

Katherine Strelkoff (Sep 25)

Lewis John Belonick (Sep 25)

Thank You

Welcome guests and visitors!

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

Thanks to all those who contribute to today's potluck... and last week's wonderful picnic!