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.** It's the time of the year when we receive many requests from worthy charities for worthy causes. Our parish has its annual Charity Appeal starting this week; we will also offer this collection the remaining Sundays of November. This year, our parish will distribute our alms to recent refugee families in need.
- **Nativity Fast.** The fast begins this week on Wednesday, November 15. The fasts are important moments in our year that should prompt us to reconsider our consumption, priorities, and how we budget our time!
- Our Advent Retreat is planned for Saturday, December 2. Our retreat master this year is Fr. Andrew Morbey, Dean of St. Mary's Cathedral in Minneapolis. Father's topic is Why Institutional Church, Anyway? The day begins at 10:30 am and Vigil that Saturday will be at 4:00 pm. Please, register today: <u>holy-trinity.org/events</u>

This Week at Holy Trinity

- Tue. Nov. 14: 12:00 pm Orthodox Christian Fellowship at USF
- Wed. Nov. 15:Nativity Fast (Advent or "St. Philip's Fast") Begins6:00 pm Great Vespers for feast of St. Apostle Matthew
followed by Men's Group
Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's
- Thu. Nov. 16: (no online Bible study this week)
- Sat. Nov. 18: 4:30 pm Intro to Orthodoxy Class for inquirers and catechumens all welcome!
 6:00 pm Great followed by Confessions and Choir Rehearsal Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's
- Sun. Nov. 19:24th Sunday after Pentecost. Prophet Obadiah.9:30 am Divine Liturgy
followed by fellowship hour and Parish Council meeting
Parking available Sunday morning at St. Brigid's

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Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, November 12, 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 Epistle23rd Sunday after Pentecost.Ephesians 2:4-10St. John the Merciful, Patriarch ofToday's GospelAlexandria (7th c.)Luke 10:25-37Ven. Nilus the Faster, of Sinai (5th c.).
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Today's Epistle Reading Ephesians 2:4-10

Brethren: God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead by reason of our sins, brought us to life together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and seated us together in heaven in Christ Jesus, that He might show in the ages to come the exceeding riches of His grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not from yourselves, for it is the gift of God; not because of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God has prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Today's Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37

At that time, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?"

So he answered and said, " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.' "

And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."

But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?"

And he said, "He who showed mercy on him."

Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

God is wondrous in His Saints!

This past week, our archpastor, His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin, has been participating in the work of the Holy Synod of Bishops which met in Chicago under the presidency of His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon. The Holy Synod of Bishops, having observed and acknowledged the sincere devotion among the faithful of Alaska and beyond, has unanimously determined that the time for the glorification of *The Righteous Servant* of *God Matushka Olga* has arrived, fulfilling the hopes and prayers of pious Orthodox Christians throughout Alaska and the entire world.

The Church will now prepare for the day of her glorifications (writing the authorized *Life*, composing the appropriate divine service, etc.). You may notice that our own cathedral has a beautiful icon of St. Olga over the choir on the North side. As is customary, we will remember Matushka Olga at Memorial Saturdays etc. until the day of her glorification.

Through the prayers of Matushka Olga and of all the Saints who have shone forth in North America, may the Lord grant His mercies and blessings to all who seek her heavenly intercession with faith and love. Amen.

You can read the full Proclamation or watch a video of it at oca.org.



Many Years!

Anniversary of Diaconate: Archbishop Benjamin (11/15)

> **Birthday** Roxana Bortun (11/14) Lisa Sims (11/15)

Anniversary of Baptism Nicholas Sokolov (11/13) Thank you!

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

Our gratitude to David, Jonathan, Enrique, George, and Dylan F. for organizing today's fellowship meal!