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 the fellowship luncheon or coffee after the service!
- We give glory to God for the baptism of James (Dylan Currie) today. As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia!
- Youth / Camp Appeal. Next Sunday, every parish in our area is asked to make a special collection for our St. Eugene's Camp. This supports the fixed expenses of renting a campsite and the ability to have volunteer adult counsellors at no cost to them beyond making themselves available for a week. PS: The dates for camp this year are Monday, June 24 through Saturday, June 29.
- The 2024 Orthodox Gathering at the Walk for Life is Saturday, January 20 at 11:30 am. We will have Divine Liturgy with many guests here at Holy Trinity that morning at 8:30 am. Fr. Josiah Trenham will preach at the Divine Liturgy. Full information: <u>https://www.oclife.org/walk</u>
- Annual Parish Assembly. Our annual parish assembly will be Sunday January 28 following Divine Liturgy during our potluck fellowship time. Please plan to attend! If you would like to serve in an elected position or know more, please speak with Felicia Dunham or Fr. Kirill.

This Week at Holy Trinity

- Wed. Jan. 17:Venerable and Godbearing Father Anthony the Great (356)6:00 pm Vespers followed by Parish Council meeting
Parking available this evening at St. Brigid's
- Thu. Jan. 18:Holy Archbishops Athanasius & Cyril of Alexandria7:00 pm Online Bible Study with Fr. James
- Sat. Jan. 20:Venerable Euthymius the Great (473)
8:30 am Divine Liturgy (please note time)
11:30 am Prayer Service, Walk for Life at Civic Center (see above)
6:00 pm Vigil followed by Confessions
Parking available at St. Brigid's
- Sun. Jan. 21:Venerable Maximus the Confessor (662).9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship hour
& Church School (high school and young adults)
Parking available Sunday at St. Brigid's

Contact Fr. Kirill

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Holy Trinity Cathedral



Sunday, January 14, 2024

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 Ephesians 6:10-17 Today's Gospels Luke 18:35-43 32nd Sunday after Pentecost. Leavetaking of the Theophany. St. Nina (Nino), Equal-to-the-Apostles and Enlightener of the Georgians (355). Tone 7.

Today's Epistle Readings

Ephesians 6:10-17

Brethren: be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against the spiritual forces of wickedness on high. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and completing every task, still to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the eagerness to spread the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of the faith, with which you may be able to quench all the fiery arrows of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Today's Gospel Reading Luke 18:35-43

At that time, as Jesus was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, saying, "What do you want Me to do for you?"

He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight."

Then Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

Good Luck?

We can enter this year creatively, but only on condition that we enter with hope, that is with the certainty that the Lord is in this year, that He is the master and will lead us to the right place, and with the faith that nothing in this year will happen without the will or acquiescence of God. If this is our attitude we shall see that nothing is chance, (whoever believes in chance does not believe in God) that there are no pointless meetings and every person is sent us by the Lord. And if we enter this year with the knowledge that everything - light and dark, good and terrifying - is a gift of God and is sent us so that through us faith, hope, love, joy and the strength of the Lord should enter the world, if we firmly believe that every person who crosses our path is sent in order that we may bring him the word or action of the Lord or receive it from him, life will be meaningful and rich. Otherwise it will remain a matter of chance, an endless string of fortuitous events. Let us enter upon the new year with this faith and hope and this burning of the spirit, let us receive each other and anyone whom God may send us as the Lord receives us on our way, and let us accept anything that befalls us as coming from the hand of God, and in all circumstances let us be Christ's; then all will be well. - A New Year Sermon by Metropolitan Anthony (Bloom)

Sanctify The Time

Let's orient our whole year around <u>Pascha (Easter) Sunday May 5</u>, not to mention Great Friday on May 3 (take the day off of work!). With Pascha being "late" this year it may take a little more focus to remember not to schedule stresses or vacations around the holy days. The whole of "Clean Week" (March 18-22) and Great and Holy Week (beginning Palm Sunday April 28) should be deliberately under-scheduled in our busy lives so that we can more fully immerse ourselves into what we really need. Oh! And our parish feast day, Pentecost, is June 23... -Father Kirill



Many Years!

Namedays

Frank Anthony Morelli (Jan 17) C. Ryan (Anthony) Perkins (Jan 17) Archpriest Kirill Sokolov (Jan 18) Cyril Deaconoff (Jan 18)

Birthdays

Juliana Sokolov (Jan 19) Karen Lee McNally (Jan 20)

Welcome & Thank You!

Welcome guests and visitors! Please join us for coffee and lunch after the Divine Liturgy. We look forward to saying hello.

Thanks to Bonnie for preparing today's meal.