

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS



June 11, 2023

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
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Live streaming services

Rev. Fr. Peter Delvizi, Parish Priest

Click links for Scripture Readings

Morning Gospel: [St. Matthew 28:16-20](#) [Ελληνικά](#)
Epistle Reading: [Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2](#) [Ελληνικά](#)
Gospel Reading: [Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38;](#)
[19:27-30](#) [Ελληνικά](#)

Apolytikion of the Resurrection: *“From on high You descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the Cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our Life and Resurrection, Glory to You, O Lord.”*

Apolytikion of All Saints: *“Adorned in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church, through them, doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassions upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy commonwealth, and great mercy to our souls.”*

Apolytikion of the Church: *“Blessed are You, O Christ our Lord and God, You who made all wise the fishermen Your Apostles, sending down upon them Your Spirit, which is Holy and through their work drawing the world into Your net, glory to You Who loves mankind.”*

Kontakion: *“As the first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred Saints in offering unto Thee, O Lord. Through their earnest entreaties, keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.”*



Sacraments and Rites

Baptisms: On Saturday, June 10, the baptism of Sophia Charilaou, daughter of Eliana Georgio and Vasilis Charilaou was celebrated. The Godmother is Dina Savva.

On Saturday, June 10, the baptism of Patrick Antonescu, son of Silviu and Adela-Flavia Antonescu was celebrated. The Godparent is Adrian Roman.

Funeral: On Thursday, June 8, the funeral for Mary Fredas† was held. Eternal be her memory.

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, June 18, Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Sunday, June 25, Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Welcome Visitors

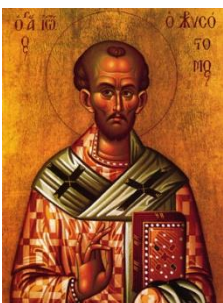
We welcome you to the parish of Holy Trinity in Westfield. We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home, we hope that you will become part of our family. Fr. Peter would very much like to meet you. Please visit the Philoxenia/Fellowship table in the Bouras Center after services to meet parishioners.

June 11 Name Day of His All-Holiness Bartholomew I and Ecumenical Patriarch

His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew is the 270th successor to the Apostle Andrew and spiritual leader of 300 million Orthodox Christians worldwide. Since ascending the Ecumenical Throne on November 2nd, 1991, he has tirelessly pursued the vision of his enthronement message spiritual revival, Orthodox unity, Christian reconciliation, interfaith tolerance and coexistence, protection of the environment and a world united in peace, justice, solidarity and love. His All-Holiness is the longest serving Patriarch in the history of the Church of Constantinople.



As Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Bartholomew has helped the Church to expand on many fronts. Through dialogue and visitations, he has greatly advanced Orthodox relations with the Roman Catholics, Lutherans, Baptists and others. His All Holiness has taken a highly active role in post-communist Eastern Europe by strengthening contacts and relations with various Orthodox national churches and through direct visits to several Orthodox nations, including Russia. Known in Europe as the "Green Patriarch," Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew has taken the lead among all religious leaders in his concern for the environment. His All Holiness has initiated seminars and dialogues to discuss the need for the mobilization of moral and spiritual forces to achieve harmony between humanity and nature. His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew was born February 29, 1940, in the village of *Aghioi Theodoroi* on the Aegean island of Imvros (Turkey). The faithful are asked to pray for His All-Holiness and the mission of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.



“You are a human being, do not become a beast. That is why God put a mouth on your face, not to bite, but to comfort others with your words.”

- St. John Chrysostomos

Prayer Request



His All-Holiness Bartholomew and Ecumenical Patriarch, Anastasia, Robert, Joanne, Peter, Constantine, Vasileos, Tina, Gabby, Fran, Dayvon, Sunitha, Neil, Gus, Dimitri, Freddy, Shane, Lula, Christina, Diego, Michael, Katie, Joe, Theo, Barbara, Nicholas, Athanasios, Clarita, Georgia, Savas, Christodoulos, Sophia, Savas, Maria, Michelle, Dorothy, Elizabeth, Steve, Clem, Christos, Dorothy, Bill, Thomas, John, Keti, Dawn, Nick, Hilary, Nicholas, Matt, Diane, Cynthia, Patty, John, Isabel, Noella, Nevin, George, Diana, Lucia, Rich, Keti, Georgia, Harry, Kathy, Jennifer, Gayle, William, Byron, John, Robert, Terry, John, Angela, Andrew, Dianna, Edward, Sue, Thomas, Andrea, Thomas, Alexandra, Ronald, Galina, Angela, Lubove, Despina, Maria, John, Paraskevi (Parri), Dianna, Stephanie, Edward, Brian, Janeen

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

The first Sunday after the Feast of Holy Pentecost is observed by the Orthodox Church as the Sunday of All Saints. This day has been designated as a commemoration of all the Saints, the Righteous, Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Shepherds, Teachers, and Holy Monastics, both men and women alike, known and unknown. They have been added to the choirs of the Saints and others shall be added, from the time of Adam until the end of the world for they have been perfected in piety and have glorified God by their holy lives.

Honoring the friends of God with much reverence, the Prophet-King David says, "But to me, exceedingly honorable are Thy friends, O Lord" (Ps. 138:16). And in recounting the achievements of the Saints, and setting forth their memorial as an example that we might turn away from earthly things and from sin, to emulate their patience and courage in the struggles for virtue, the Apostle Paul wrote, "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every burden, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us" (Heb. 12:1).

Guided by the teaching of Divine Scriptures and Apostolic Tradition, we honor all the Saints, the friends of God, for they are keepers of God's commandments, shining examples of virtue, and benefactors of mankind. Of course, we honor the known Saints especially on their own days of the year, as is evident in the Menologion. But since many Saints are unknown, and their number has increased with time, and will continue to increase until the end of time, the Church has appointed that once a year a common commemoration be made of all Saints. This is the feast that we celebrate today. It is the harvest of the coming of the Holy Spirit into the world; it is the "much fruit" brought forth by that "grain of wheat that fell into the earth and died" (John 12:24); it

is the glorification of the Saints as "the foundation of the Church, the perfection of the Gospel, they who fulfilled in deed the sayings of the Savior" (Sunday of All Saints, Doxastikon of Vespers). All the saints, as well as the orders of the Angels, and especially our Most Holy Lady and Queen, the Ever-Virgin Theotokos Mary, are honored on this day, setting their lives before us as examples of virtue, and entreating them to intercede on our behalf with God, Whose grace and boundless mercy be with us all.

Religious Education Graduation – Sunday, June 11

Please join us in celebrating our Graduates and our Religious Education School students on Sunday, June 11, after church services in the Bouras Center. We look forward to honoring our students. Help us make this day extra special for them.

Trinity Circle

Members' end of year luncheon will be held on Tuesday, June 13, at Galloping Hill Caterers, 11:30 AM-3 PM. Kindly sign up with Kassandra Romas, Chair. Cost per member is \$20.

Ladies Philoptochos Rummage Sale

Bring Us Your Treasures!! Drop off to the Bouras Center, Saturday, July 8 through Sunday, July 16. Household items, holiday décor, china and glassware, small furniture, small appliances, linens and dry goods, baskets, frames, toys, games, home décor, sporting goods, jewelry, purses, scarves, and hats. No clothing, shoes, books, TVs, DVDs or CDs. Sale Dates: Thursday and Friday, July 20 and 21, 9:30 AM – 6 PM; Saturday, July 22, 9:30 AM – 4 PM

2023 Stewardship Campaign Update



Currently 348 Stewards have pledged \$445,433.

Thank you to the parishioners who submitted their pledge cards and stewardship gifts. As of May, we graciously received 348 pledges in the amount of \$445,433. Please remember to submit your pledge card which will help us meet our operating budget of \$885,000. Consider inviting family and friends to come to visit and worship with us. Sponsor a new steward and bring them into our Holy Trinity family.

Your gifts to date have allowed our Parish to achieve 50% of our budget and to support our annual Archdiocesan commitment, a gift to the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew Foundation, and support our growing and vibrant ministries. Thank you!

Submit your stewardship card online: [Stewardship Commitment Card](#)



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"Giving Thanks: Eucharistic Stewardship"

2023 CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT CARD

The operating expenses of our Church for the year 2023 are estimated to be \$885,000 (or an estimated \$2,200 per family).

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/we pledge to contribute for Christ's work at Holy Trinity Church in 2023 a total amount of:

\$2,200 \$3,000 \$2,000 \$1,000 Young Adults (25-30) \$500 Other \$ _____

For additional information on Legacy or Planned Giving including donations of property, stock, or other securities, please contact the church office (908) 233-8533 or email HolyTrinity@htgocnj.org (see enclosed Stock/Security Donation Form)

Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Spouse's Name _____

Email Address _____

Names of Dependents _____

Telephone Number (_____) _____

Cell Number (_____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

*Please bring your Commitment Card to
Stewardship Sunday Liturgy December 4, 2022*

To vote or seek elective office in the administration of the parish in 2023, your signed Stewardship Commitment Card must be received by March 1, 2023.

To set-up online giving: [Secure Online Giving](#)

Upcoming Parish Events

Thursday, June 22

YOUNG ADULT NETWORKING & LECTURE SERIES

LIVING A PURPOSEFUL & FLOURISHING LIFE -
A YOUNG ADULT'S JOURNEY

GUEST SPEAKER: EUGENE GENTILE, DIRECTOR,
OFFICE OF CAREER MANAGEMENT, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
(Reception to Follow)

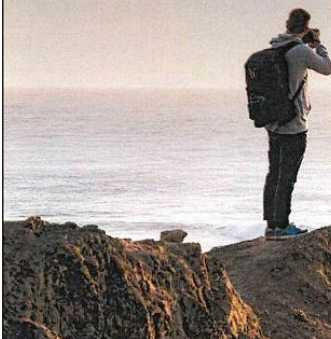


HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH & Y2AM

Thursday, June 22, 2023 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

250 Gallows Hill Road, Westfield, NJ

Recommended Age Group: 18 - 30



Saturday, July 8 – Sunday, July 16

2023 Philoptochos Rummage Sale

Drop Off Dates: (to Bouras Center)
Saturday July 8th – Sunday July 16th

- Household Items
- Holiday Décor
- China & Glassware
- Small Appliances
- Small Furniture
- Home Décor Items
- Purses, Scarves, Hats
- Lines & Dry Goods
- Sporting Goods
- Crafting Materials
- Baskets & Frames
- Toys & Games
- Jewelry

(NO Clothing, Shoes, Electronics or Books)

Actual Sale Days:

Thursday July 20th 9:30am – 6:00pm

Friday July 21st 9:30am – 6:00pm

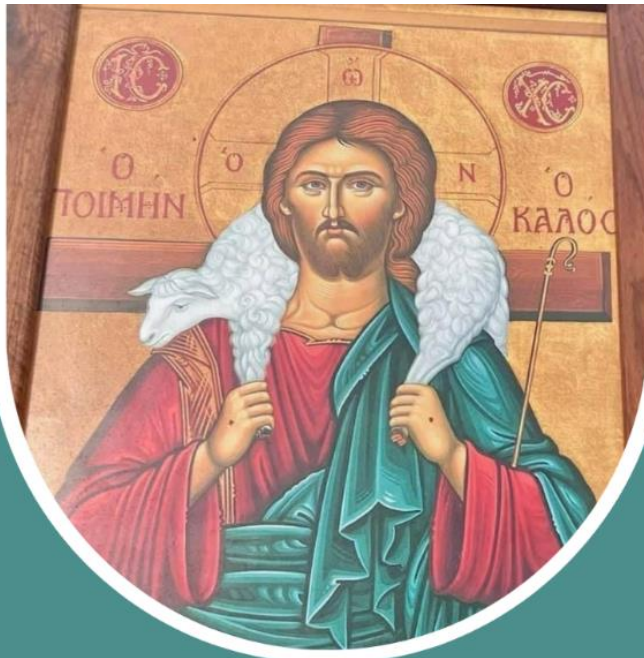
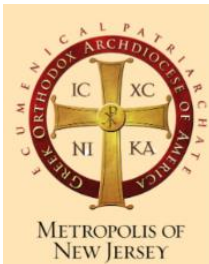
Saturday July 22nd 9:30am – 4:00pm
(everything ½ price 2pm-4pm SAT ONLY)

Questions: call Elise Savnik 908-337-5046

Thursday, July 16-22

CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD

Registration now open: Register here



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Register here

<http://app.campdoc.com/register/cgsn>

Chesapeake (Maryland) July 3-7

Ages 8-18

Location: Camp Wo-Me-To, Jarrettsville, MD

Virginia

July 9-15

Ages 10-18

Location: Camp Piankatank, Hartfield, VA

New Jersey

July 16-22

Ages 8-18

Location: Camp Linwood Macdonald, Sandyston, NJ

More Information

<https://www.nj.goarch.org/camp-good-shepherd>



GLORY BE TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS

✠ AMEN ✠