

Second Sunday of Matthew



June 18, 2023

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
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Live streaming services

Rev. Fr. Peter Delvzizis, Parish Priest

On the Eighteenth day of the month we commemorate: The Holy Martyr St. Leontios and those with him – St. Hypatios and St. Theodoulos of Syria; St. Leontios the Myrrh-Streamer of Argos; St. Aitherios the Martyr

Click links for Scripture Readings

Morning Gospel:	St. Mark 16:1-8	Ελληνικά
Epistle Reading:	Romans 2:10-16	Ελληνικά
Gospel Reading:	St. Matthew 4:18-23	Ελληνικά

Apolytikion of the Resurrection: “Although Your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Saviour, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore, O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise You: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your kingdom. Glory to Your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind.”

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: “A protection of Christians unshamable, * Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, * please reject not * the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. * Instead, come to us for you are good; * your loving help do bring to us, * who are crying in faith to you: * hasten to intercession * and speed now to supplication, * as a protection for all time, * Theotokos, for those who honor you.”

Altar Candles: In memory of Peter Markos†

Large Candles: In loving memory of Peter Costalas†



Sacraments and Rites

40-Day Blessing: On Sunday, a churching for John Kallinosis, son of Jamie and Jessica Kallinosis will be celebrated.

Baptisms: On Sunday, the baptisms of Katherine Sophia and Oivia Athena Kitsopoulos, daughters of Ioanna Tsolaki and Gerasimos Kitsopoulos will be celebrated. The respective Godmothers are Christina Karsos and Stefania Hirschman.

On Saturday, June 17, the baptism of Mia Alexis Clarke, daughter of Amy and Brian Clarke was celebrated. The Godmother is Roula Agathis.

Chrismation: On Saturday, June 17, the chrismation of Steven John Rofrano, son of Linda Arena and Douglas Rofrano was celebrated. The Godfather is Stephan Sveshnikov.

Liturgical Schedule

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

Wednesday, June 28, Great Vespers, 5:30 PM

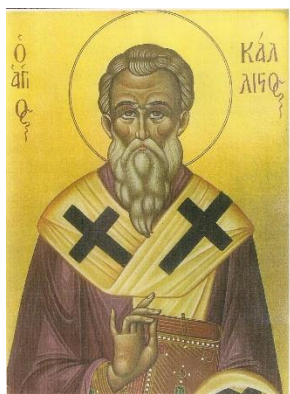
Thursday, June 29, Sts. Peter and Paul the Chief Apostles, Orthros, 8:30 AM;
Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Sunday, July 2, Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Sunday, July 9, 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.



St. Kallistos I, Patriarch of Constantinople – June 20

St. Kallistos at first struggled on Athos under the spiritual guidance of Saint Gregory of Sinai (August 8), whose Life he wrote. In 1350, he was elected as Patriarch of Constantinople, serving in that position during the reign of the emperors John Kantakuzenos (1341-1355) and John Paleologos (1341-1376). In 1354, he withdrew to live in silence at the monastery he had built in honor of Saint Mamas at Tenedos. Later, he was elevated to the Patriarchal throne once again (1355-1363). The holy Patriarch Kallistos reposed in the year 1363 in Serbia, where he had travelled with an embassy of Emperor John Paleologos. Saint Kallistos is also known as a spiritual writer, and his edifying works appear in the PHILOKALIA with the writings of his close friend Ignatius of Xanthopoulos

St. Zosimus – June 20

The Martyr Zosimus lived in the city of Apollona (Thrace) during the reign of Trajan (89-117), the persecutor of Christians. The saint was consumed with the desire to become a Christian. When he heard about the start of a persecution of Christians, he left military service, was baptized, and devoted himself to prayer and good deeds.

It was reported to the prefect Domitianus of Antioch that Zosimus had betrayed the emperor by taking off his military insignia and attaching himself to Christians. At the trial, Saint Zosimus confessed his faith in Christ and refused to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. He was subjected to fierce torments but, strengthened by the grace of God, he did not feel the pain. The prefect gave orders to heat a copper bed red-hot and to put the saint on it. The martyr made the Sign of the Cross, laid down on the bed, but remained unharmed.

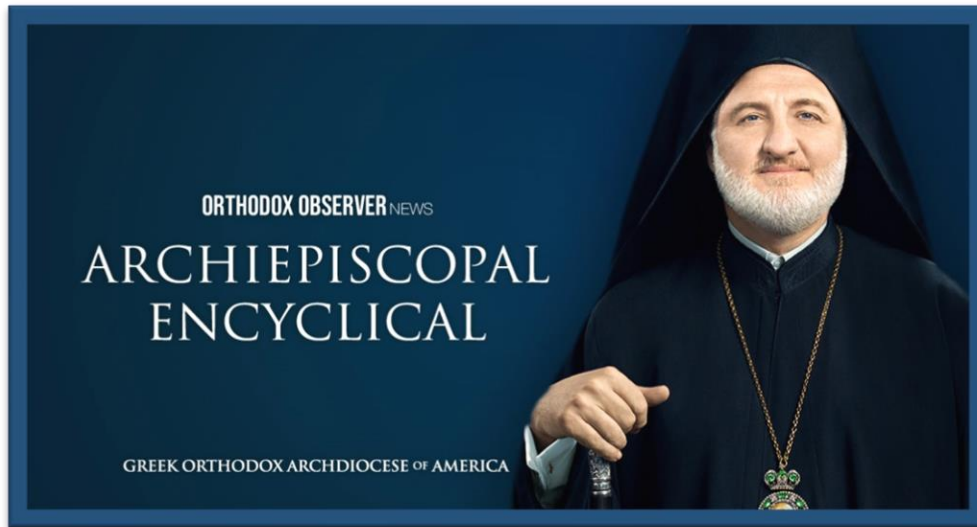
Departing the city, Domitianus gave orders to place iron sandals with sharp nails in the soles on the martyr's feet, and to have Zosimus follow after him. The Lord gave Saint Zosimus the strength to follow after the horses.

The martyr was locked in prison, where they tormented him with hunger and thirst, but an angel of the Lord fortified him with bread and water. Saint Zosimus still refused to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. Finally, he was beheaded, and surrendered his soul to God.



John, Al, Jessika, 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, Ket, Dawn, Nick, Hilary, Nicholas, Matt, Diane, Cynthia, Patty, John, Isabel, Noella, Nevin, George, Diana, Lucia, Rich, Ket, 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

Archiepiscopal Encyclical For Father's Day



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Jesus said to them: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. (Matthew 4:19-20)

My Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Father's Day, I once again request our entire Archdiocese to remember and celebrate the "fathers" of our parishes across the country. Our clergy give so much to their ministries, responding unhesitatingly to the call of our Lord Jesus Christ, leaving behind the advantages of secular life and serving as "fishers of men."

We combine this day to remember our earthly fathers with an important consideration for our priestly "fathers in Christ." We ask that each parish make a special collection to support the Clergy Pension Fund. Working with the Archdiocesan Presbyters Council, great strides have been made to secure the Fund, but there is always a need, so your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Our clergy are certainly deserving of their benefits, especially after long years of ministry. Let us join together to encourage them and to ensure that they have the resources to conduct their ministries and, at the same time, sustain their lives and families. Let us celebrate this Father's Day by remembering all our fathers in Christ; for they are the ones charged with the command of the Gospel to fill nets of salvation with souls, destined for life everlasting.

With Thankfulness and Paternal Love in Christ,

† **ELPIDOPHOROS**

Archbishop of America



Congratulations to the Fathers of Holy Trinity. May God's blessing be upon you always.

A Psalm for Father's Day

"Blessed is the man who fears the Lord; he will delight exceedingly in His commandments. The generation of the upright man shall be blessed. Glory and riches shall be in his house. For he is merciful, compassionate, and righteous. A good man is compassionate and lends; he will manage his words with judgment. A righteous man shall be in everlasting remembrance. His heart is prepared to hope in the Lord. His heart is established; he is not afraid as he surveys his enemies. He disperses to the poor and his glory is exalted. Those who hate him will be angry at his reward, they shall gnash their teeth and be consumed."



Nameday Celebrations – June 29 & 30

His Grace Bishop Apostolos and Fr. Peter

The great two-day celebration of the Chief Apostles, St. Peter and St. Paul culminates with the celebration of the Holy Apostles. On June 29, the Name Day for our Presiding Priest Fr. Peter (Πατέρα Πέτρος) will be celebrated at 9:30 AM with the Divine Liturgy and Artoklasia. On June 30, the Name Day for His Grace Bishop Apostolos will be celebrated at St. Athanasios G.O.C. in Paramus beginning at 9:00 AM. The faithful are invited to attend in celebration.

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 350 Stewards have pledged \$448,533 to attain 51% of the Parish budget

Thank you to the parishioners who submitted their pledge cards and stewardship gifts. Please remember to submit your pledge card if you have not done so. Our annual average stewardship pledge is \$1,284 or \$25 per week. Please consider increasing your stewardship-giving level which will help us meet our operating budget of \$885,000. Invite family and friends to come 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 support our annual Archdiocesan commitment, a gift to the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew Foundation and fund our growing and vibrant ministries. Thank you!

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<i>"Giving Thanks: Eucharistic Stewardship"</i>		
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:		
<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,200 <input type="checkbox"/> \$3,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$2,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adults (25-30) \$500 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____		
<small>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@hlgocnj.org (see enclosed Stock/Security Donation Form)</small>		
Name _____	Signature _____	Date _____
Spouse's Name _____	Email Address _____	
Names of Dependents _____	Telephone Number (_____) _____	
_____	Cell Number (_____) _____	
Address _____	<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px;"><i>Please bring your Commitment Card to Stewardship Sunday Liturgy December 4, 2022</i></div>	
City _____ State _____ Zip _____		
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.		

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

Job Opening – Sts. Constantine and Helen, Roseland

Our sister parish in Roseland is currently looking to fill an Administrative Assistant position that provides support to the parish priest and parish council. For more information, call the church **Phone: (973)251-2920** or visit www.Orthodoxjobs.com

Upcoming Parish Events

Thursday, June 22

YOUNG ADULT NETWORKING & LECTURE SERIES

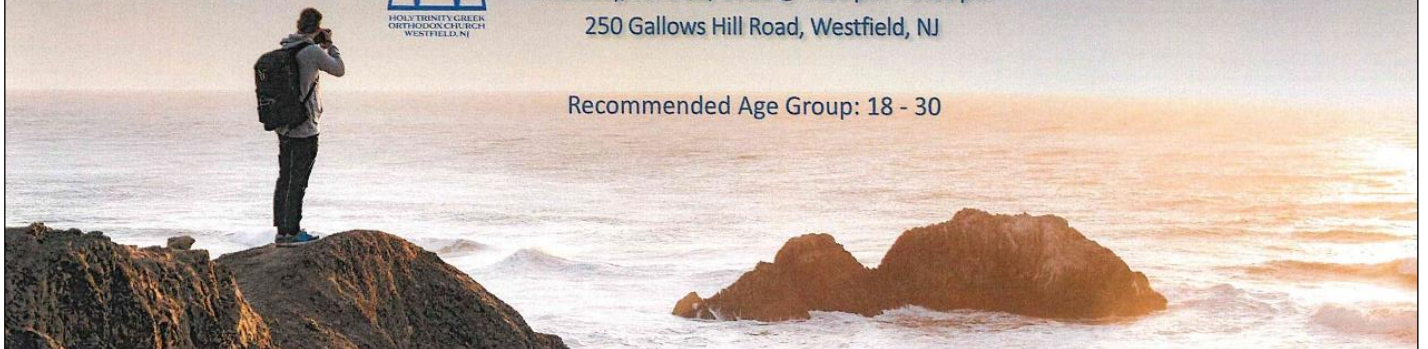
**LIVING A PURPOSEFUL & FLOURISHING LIFE -
A YOUNG ADULT'S JOURNEY**

**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
- Linens & 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


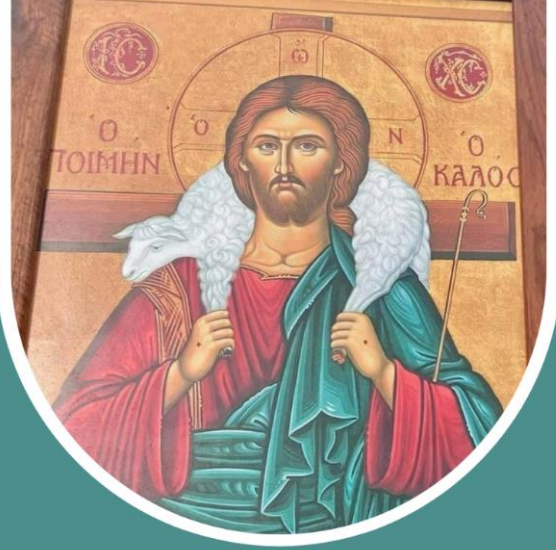
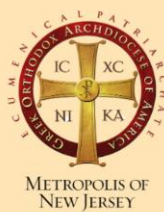
Saturday July 22nd 9:30am – 4:00pm
(everything ½ price 2pm-4pm SAT ONLY)

Questions: call Elise Savnik 908-337-5046


July 16-22

CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD


Registration now open: Register here



CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD




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



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

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



GLORY BE TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS

✠ AMEN ✠