

Third Sunday of Matthew



St. Fevronia the Martyr

June 25, 2023

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
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Live streaming services

Rev. Fr. Peter Delvzizis, Parish Priest

On the Twenty-fifth day of the month we commemorate: The Righteous Martyr St. Fevronia; Our Righteous Father St. Methodius of Nevritos; St. Prokopios the New Martyr; The Holy Martyrs Sts. Orentios, Pharnakios, Eros, Firmos, Firminos, Kyriakos, and Longinos the Brothers

Click links for Scripture Readings

Morning Gospel:	St. Mark 16:9-20	Ελληνικά
Epistle Reading:	Romans 5:1-10	Ελληνικά
Gospel Reading:	St. Matthew 6:22-33	Ελληνικά

Apolytikion of the Resurrection: “When You descended into death, Life immortal, You vanquished the power of hell by Your resplendent divinity, and when You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out triumphantly: O giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You.”

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.”



Sacraments and Rites

40-Day Blessing: On Sunday, June 25, we are blessed to have the churching of Margaret Coppa, daughter of Vivian and Zachary Coppa.

Baptisms: On Sunday, June 25, the baptism of Vincent Quagliarello, son of Elena and Timothy Quagliarello, will be celebrated. The Godfather is Costas Constantinou.

On Saturday, June 24, the baptism for Daphne Patricia (Panayiota) Marschke, daughter of Alana Vlahakes Steele-Marschke and Derek Marschke was celebrated. The Godmother is Janelle Juvelis.

Funeral: On Tuesday, June 20, the funeral for Vasiliki Zourzoukis† was held. Eternal be her memory.

Liturgical Schedule

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

Tuesday, July 11, **St. Euphemia**, Orthros, 8:30 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Welcome Visitors

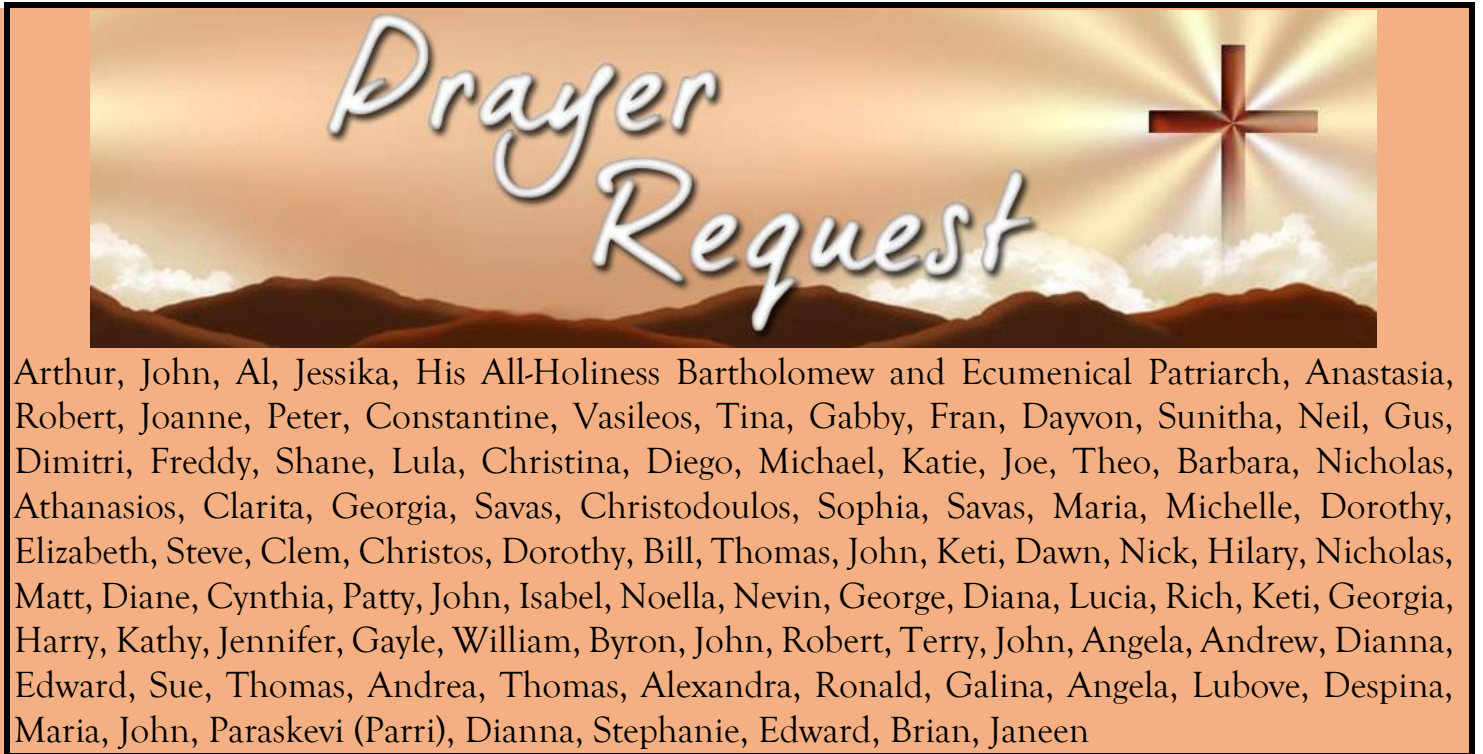
We welcome you to the parish of Holy Trinity in Westfield. We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home, we hope that you will become part of our family. Fr. Peter would very much like to meet you. Please visit the Philoxenia/Fellowship table in the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

St. Fevronia the Martyr - June 25

Fevronia was the daughter of Prosporus, a senator from Rome. To avoid marriage with a mortal man, Fevronia betrothed herself to Christ and was tonsured a nun in the East, in the land of Assyria, in a convent where her aunt Bryaena was abbess. Lysimachus, the son of a nobleman, desired to wed Fevronia, but since Emperor Diocletian suspected him of being a secret Christian, he sent Lysimachus to the East with his uncle Silenus to apprehend and kill Christians. Silenus was as cruel as a beast, and he exterminated Christians everywhere without mercy. Lysimachus, on the contrary, spared the Christians wherever he could and hid them from his beastly uncle. Having made Palmyra devoid of Christians, Silenus came to the town of Nisibis, close to which was a convent with fifty ascetics, among whom was Fevronia. Even though she was only twenty years old, Fevronia was respected both in the convent and in the town because of her great meekness, wisdom and abstinence. In this convent they adhered to the rule of the former abbess, Blessed Platonida, that every Friday be spent only in prayer and the reading of sacred books, without any other type of work. Bryaena had appointed Fevronia to read the sacred books to the sisters while she was hidden behind a curtain, so that no one would be distracted and captivated by the beauty of her face. Hearing about Fevronia, Silenus ordered that Fevronia be brought to him. But, when the holy virgin refused to deny Christ or enter into marriage with a mortal man, Silenus ordered them to whip her, then knock out her teeth, then cut off her hands and breasts and legs, and finally to slay her with a sword.

But a horrible punishment from God befell the torturer that same day: a demon entered into him and he was overcome by a deadly terror. In this fear, he struck his head against a marble pillar and fell dead. Lysimachus ordered that Fevronia's body be gathered and brought to the convent, where it was honorably buried, and he and many other soldiers were baptized. From the relics of

St. Fevronia there occurred many healings, and she appeared on the day of her feast and stood in her usual place among the sisters, and all the sisters looked upon her with fear and rejoicing. St. Fevronia suffered honorably and took up her habitation in eternal blessedness in the year 310 A.D., and in the year 363 A.D. her relics were translated to Constantinople.



Arthur, 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, 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

Name Day 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.

Special Collection

Thank you to all who responded to Archbishop Elpidophoros' appeal for the Clergy Pension Program. Last Sunday, we collected \$485. This amount will be sent to the Metropolis of NJ and then forwarded to the Archdiocese to help sure up the National Clergy Pension Fund. If you were not here last Sunday, you still have time to give. Just make a donation with Pension Fund noted.

Job Opening – Sts. Nicholas, 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

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@htgocnj.org (see enclosed Stock/Security Donation Form)</small>		
Name _____	Signature _____	Date _____
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Names of Dependents _____	Telephone Number (_____) _____	
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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 Commitment Card online: [Stewardship Commitment Card](#)

To Donate online: [Online Giving](#)

Upcoming Parish Events

Saturday, July 8 – Sunday, July 16

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

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- 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


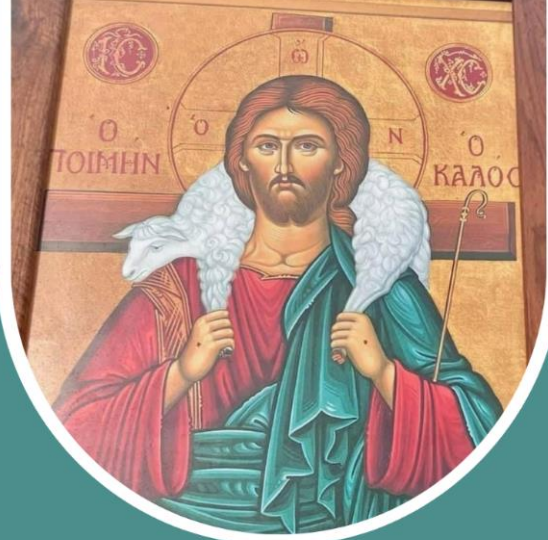
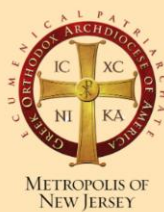
(everything ½ price 2pm-4pm SAT ONLY)

Questions: call Elise Savnik 908-337-5046


July 16-22

CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD


Registration now open: Register here



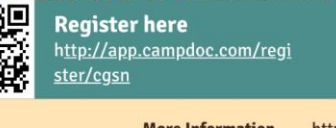
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Chesapeake (Maryland) July 3-7
Ages 8-18
Location: Camp Wo-Me-To, Jarrettsville, MD



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>

Thursday, October 5

Save The Date!

**41st ANNUAL
HOLY TRINITY GOLF CLASSIC**

Echo Lake Country Club
515 Springfield Avenue
Westfield, NJ 07090



Sponsorships, scheduling, and fees will soon be provided.

For information, please contact the Golf Committee:

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201-681-5366

