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September 11, 2011

Liturgy is at 10 AM. Today is the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Tone Four. The Epistle is 1 Corinthians 16:13-24; Galatians 6:11-18. Gospel is Matthew 21:33-42; John 3:13-17. Theodora of Alexandria; Sunday before the Elevation of the Cross.

Schedule of services and events for the week:

Monday, September 12, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Tuesday, September 13, 8:30 AM – Hours

Wednesday, September 14, 9 AM – Liturgy Cross Elevation

Thursday, September 15, 8:30 AM – Hours

Saturday, September 17, 5 PM – Vespers

Sunday, September 18, 10 AM – Liturgy

Sunday, September 18, 11:30 noon – ASP Power Point Presentation

Epistle and Gospel Reading for the Week:

Monday, 2 Corinthians 12:10-19; Mark 4:10-23 – Venerable Bassian

Tuesday, 2 Corinthians 12:20-13:2; Mark 4:24-34 – Cornelius the Centurion

Wednesday, 1 Corinthians 1:18-24; John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-35 – Cross Elevation

Thursday, Galatians 1:1-10, 20-2:5; Mark 5:1-20 – Great Martyr Nicetas

Friday, Galatians 2:6-10; Mark 5:22-24, 35-6:1 – Great Martyr Euphemia

Saturday, 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; John 8:21-30 – Sophia & three daughters

Sunday, 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4; Matthew 22:1-14 – St. Eumenes of Gortyna

Music on the Mount



The inaugural performance of Holy Trinity's "Music on the Mount" concert series featuring members of the chamber ensemble Prometheus was an outstanding success. The musicians in this phenomenal group performed in the perfect acoustics and sacred setting of our church and provided a very special opportunity for all to hear and experience their music. We look forward to their next concert. A big thank you to the Concert Committee: Orestes Mihaly, Harry

Fong, Spiros Theodorides, Susan Sulich, Carolyn Kaiser, Amy Arifin and Nicholas Mihaly who saw to the details of this exceptional production. Also to Orestes and Katarina Mihaly, Elaine and Paul Toaso, Suzanne Molineaux, Paul Sulich, Nicholas Huott, Vida Bundra, and everyone who stepped in and helped out where they were needed.

Today, Sunday September 11 from 12 noon to 6 PM we have a table at the Taste of Danbury located at the Danbury City Center. Please come and support YOUR parish. Visit our table on Ives Street. We will have flyers on our upcoming events at the church, brochures about the Orthodox Faith, and some items to sell such as nesting dolls. Your help is needed. Volunteer an hour of your time and support your parish efforts to promote itself to the community. Take pride in your parish, as our Lord takes pride in you.

Next Sunday, Sept. 18th, following liturgy there will be a pasta luncheon and presentation about this past summer's Appalachian Service Project mission trip. Members of our team from the Congregational Church of New Fairfield will be joining us and the teens and adult leaders who participated in the trip will talk about what we did and the experiences we had in West Virginia. There will also be a slide show with photos from the trip so you can actually see our youth in action! The luncheon is a way for us to express our appreciation for all the support the parish has given us and also to invite teens and adults who might be interested in joining us next year to see what ASP is all about. We already have our week set for next year: July 7-16th and we are excited to get started! If you have any questions about ASP, please contact Susan Sulich, [203-746-6008/ssulich@yahoo.com](tel:203-746-6008) or see Father Luke.

Our next big EVENT is our Annual Trinity 5K Road which will be held Saturday, September 24. The Registration table is to be up and running by 7:30 AM that morning. WE will need your help, setting up, registration, working water stations, timing, finish line, perogies, and clean up. This Road Race is to benefit Healing Hearts Center for Grieving Children of Regional hospice. We will have a pre-Race meeting on Thursday, September 22 at 7 PM.



We are restarting our Adult **Parish Retreat at The Village Inn** in Lenox, MA. We have set aside **Friday, November 4 thru Sunday, November 6** as our weekend in Lenox, MA. The cost will be \$175.00 for single occupancy and \$275 for double. Deadline for reservations and payment is October 1st. If you are interested, please see Carolyn Kaiser or Susan Sulich.



The Parish Retreat at Lenox Retreat from 2007. How many people can you name?

A new Women's Knitting Group has had their first meeting. Their next meeting is at Carolyn Kaiser's house on Sunday, September 25 following coffee hour from 1-3 pm at 33 Olmstead Road, Redding, CT 203-512-1714. This group is open to all whether you know how to knit or not. This group will give an opportunity for the members to bond together in a Christian atmosphere. If you are interested in coming together to learn how to knit and grow closer to your fellow parishioners please contact Suad Behrend at 203.304.1034 or Amy Arifin 914.434.1027.

DOROTHY DAY SOUP KITCHEN: The past Friday, September 2nd, we served nearly 90 meals at the Dorothy Day Hospitality House in Danbury. Guests enjoyed Bob Faubel's Turkey Tetrazzini. We had lots of helpers both preparing the meal last week here at the church and then setting up and serving on Friday. Thanks to everyone who participated. Our next date to serve will be Friday November 4th from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. If you're interested in cooking (usually done on a weeknight in the church kitchen) or serving at Dorothy Day, contact Susan Sulich (203-746-6008/ssulich@yahoo.com) or Father Luke.

Cleaning Schedule

The parish council has hired a cleaning service for \$50.00 a cleaning to come in twice a month to clean the church and the church hall. If you are unable to clean the church during the time assigned for you, you are encouraged to make a donation to the church to help pay for the cleaning service.

Items needed for general church cleaning

- 1) Glass Cleaner
- 2) Clorox Spot Remover with Bleach
- 3) Murphy's Oil Soap for the wood floors and pews.

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

The dumpster is located at the far end of the parking lot. PLEASE sweep the floors in the basement after coffee hour. Please remember that those who volunteer for coffee hour are only expected to get something simple such as bagels. With everything increasing in prices, please do not feel that you have to feed the entire parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Taste of Danbury Booth – Saturday and Sunday, September 10 & 11

ASP Pasta Thank you Dinner and Presentation – Sunday, September 18

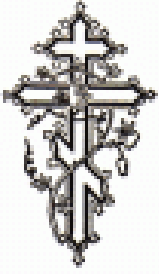
Trinity 5 K Road Race – Saturday, September 24

Hawaiian Iveron Weeping Icon – Monday, October 10

Murder Mystery Dinner to benefit our ASP Team – Saturday, October 29

Lenox Parish Retreat Weekend – Friday, November 4 - Sunday, November 6

Thanksgiving Arts and Craft and Bake Sale Saturday, November 19 & Sunday, November 20



ATTENTION!

CITIZENS OF

ICKEE TOWN

On Saturday night, 29th of October, 2011, join the posse to identify and capture a bank robber. A shady towns person broke into our bank, held the tellers at gun point and disappeared with several

STOLEN BAGS OF GOLD

We will give a SMALL REWARD for the recovery of the gold to any who solve the crime. Meet in Sally's Saloon at 7:30pm near Holy Trinity Orthodox Church. 74 Joe's Hill Road, Danbury, Conn. Contact SANDI FONG for details (914) 434-7702 or sandifong@gmail.com.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the ASP, Appalachia Service Project, a charitable group rebuilding homes for those in need, and Holy Trinity Orthodox Church.

Dinner will be served, BYOB. Adults \$35, Children 12 and under \$20. Parties of 8 or more \$25 per patron. Raffle prizes will be available.

APPROACH WITH CAUTION! This evening is being presented by a murder mystery troupe for your entertainment. Prepare to eat, solve and be merry

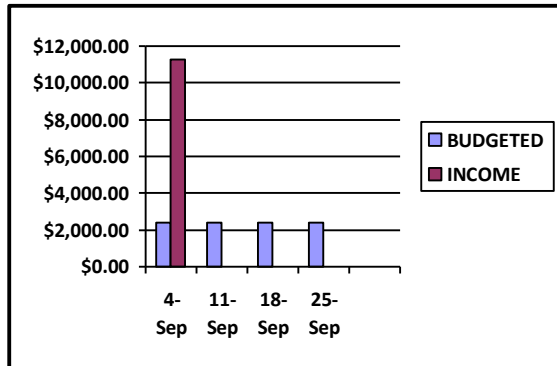
Entertainment will be your REWARD!

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH IS DESIGNATED FOR MORTGAGE REPAYMENT. IF EVERY PARISHIONER CONTRIBUTES \$50 EVERY MONTH (\$600/YEAR) TO THE MORTGAGE, WE WILL BE ABLE TO MEET OUR MONTHLY MORTGAGE PAYMENTS.

The Parish Council urges parishioners to do your best to help the parish financially. All of parish ministries are funded through your generosity and is essential in the success of the parish. We thank you for your support for it is essential to the life of your parish. As part of the Parish Council's efforts to keep the parish informed, the monthly general financial income and expenses will be posted.

Total Receipts including collection from Sunday, September 4 was: **\$11,292.00**

Candles: \$102.00	Weekly general collection checks: \$1960.00 (\$110.00 mortgage)
Music on the Mount: \$810.00	Retreat Deposit: \$275.00
Tray Cash: \$46.00	Building Fund Cash: \$164.00
Building Fund Checks: \$7585.00	Hall Rental: \$350.00



READERS SCHEDULE

9/11	Stephen Fong
9/18	Stasia Mihaly
9/25	Bob Faubel

Birthdays and Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER	
Orestes & Monika Mihaly	21 Anniversary
Pani Bethany Mihaly	22
Julia Huott	23
Paul Sulich, Sr.	26
Lorraine Fedyna	28

Scripture Reading for Sunday, September 11

Prayer Before Reading Holy Scripture

O Master Who loves mankind, illuminate our hearts with the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our mind to understand the teachings of Your Gospel. Instill in us also the fear of Your blessed commandments, that we may overcome all carnal desires, entering upon a spiritual life and understanding and acting in all things according to Your holy will. For You are the enlightenment of our souls and bodies, O Christ God, and to You we give glory together with Your eternal Father and Your all-holy, gracious and life-giving Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.



The Reading is from the Acts of the Galatians 6:11-18

Brethren see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and not only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Gospel Reading is from John 3:13-17

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

The 2011 Distinguished Diocesan Donors Giving Campaign is now in progress.

Every household in the diocese has received several mailings, with explanatory brochures and information about the Newly enhanced DDD Program.

As a Distinguished Diocesan Donor you join hundreds of your fellow diocesan members in supporting the outreach ministries of our Diocese!

Become a DDD Member at the entry level or above and join us as our guest for dinner. Over dinner you will receive an update on the good works of our vital diocesan apostolates and ministries such as Camp Nazareth, The Mission and Evangelization and Stewardship Commissions, our Diocesan Website, and the Apostolate For Christian Education.

This year there are new giving level opportunities: \$100.00- Contributor, \$250.00- Bronze, \$500.00- Silver, \$1,000.00- Gold and \$10,000.00 and up – Platinum.

If you have not already done so, please fill out and send the donation form included in the Sunday Bulletin or Visit DDD on line at <http://ddd.acrod.org>. to learn more about the 3D Program, download a mail-in donation form or donate on line

All donors at the \$100 and up giving levels will receive a complimentary dinner at a regional DDD Dinner. Already a Member – Thank you for your Support ! Not a member yet? It is not too late. Join us Today!

We are asking that you send your donation to us by September 30th so you can take part in your local Deanery's DDD Dinner.

***PRAYER LIST
For the Living***

Thomas (Krafick)	Stephanie (Fong)	Matthew (Bracey)	Elaine (Toaso)
Pauline (Meath)	Paul (Stagen)	Eugene (Brown)	Patricia (Zeleniak)
Wylie (Meath)	Valerie (Stagen)	Joe (Derevjanik)	James (Rush)
Sally (Hubiak)	Marianna (Parsamyan)	Mary (Derevjanik)	Jerry (Kachevsky)
Helen (Popp)	Greg (Chilek)	Sophie (Tomasini)	Anthony (Noto)
Judi (Snodgrass)	Paul (Willis)	Richard (Stack)	Serge (Mihaly)
Sophia (Buterakos)	Ethel (Montauredes)	Joelle (Alsdorf)	Viktor (Kuziak)
Rebecca (Sahin)	Anne (Popp)	Kathy (Valentine)	Lou (Biondi)
Carol (Wilenchek)	Mary (Kovach)	Irm (Manton)	Tony (Centofanti)
Anna (Salony)	Jennie (Curran)	James (Sapione)	Jeanne (LaPorta)
Andrew (Valentine)	Lynn (Cavallo)	Deacon William (Friedel)	Jerry (Arangelovich)
Delia (Stefan)	Dorothy (Brown)	Bill (Kahn)	Louis (Apostol)
Josh (Horner)	Anastasios (Orfanos)	Dorine (DelPo)	Patrick (Meath)
Catherine (Quarberg)	Julia (Zimmerman)	Katherine (Kavallines)	Octi (Bundra)
Marian (Beschle)	Rev. Paul (Dorn)	Bob (Sully)	Thomas (Pellegrino)
Julia (Zimmerman)	Bill (Pellegrino)	Rebecca (McCarthy)	Ann (Rossi)
Judi (Snodgrass)	Barbara (Hollister)	John (Schigel)	Kathy (Koffs)
Samuel (Magri)	Stan	Sonia (Pellegrino)	Steven (Eigenrauch)
Steve (Schell)	Steven (Noto)	Eric (Stefanik)	Pani Helen (Shutack)
Christina (Somoskevich)	Coriolan (Bundra)	Sonya (Spear)	David (Hollister)
Annalisa (Paltauf)	Barbara (Polasky Wren)	Radu (Timoscsa)	Helen (Kazolas)
Nickolas (Noto)	Carmen (Sanchez)	Debra (Noto)	Donna (Kazolas)
Rose (Hubiak)	Stella (Woodfield)	Tatyana (Nanocchio)	Mike (Walsh)
John (Hubiak)	Barbara (Polasky Wren)	Cyril (Gutzman)	Sheila (Walsh)
Richard (Guilmartin)	Maria (Pauta)	Marika (Gutzman)	Olga (Saranotski)
James (Buterakos)	Jessica (Cochrane)	Trianna (Gutzman)	Charlotte (James)
Serge (Mihaly, Jr.)	Melissa (Kelly)	Elaine (Cookie Bily)	John (Kasper)
Ricky (Porter)	Fr. Lawrence (Barriger)	Tom (Kasper)	Edna (Kasper)
Sharon	Joshua	Lucinda (Pauta)	Anastasia (Mihaly)
Fr. Ronald (Hazuda)	Carolyn (Paulin)	Jeff (Stagon)	Laurel
Katarina (Mihaly)	June (Paulin)	Sayaka	David (Bennet)
Mary	Jason	Katie	Rob (Paltauf)
Andrea (Paltauf)	Francisco (Villa)	Paola (Villa)	Tabata (Villa)
Natash (Villa)	Raymond (Brien)	Daria	Ken (Zaengle)
Bob (Popp)	Nicholas (Noto)	Bobby (Bennet)	Barbara
Grayson			

For the Departed

Metropolitan Nicholas	June (Elrod)	Anna (Logressa)	Rose (Procacci)
Marilyn (Berardsley)	Cina (Daskalakis)	Phyllis (Duclos)	Michael (McKenna)
Frank (Finui)	John	Giovanni (Villa)	John (Kasper)
Serge (Kachevsky)	Mary (Pawchyk)	Helen (Rowland)	Karen (Elrod-Williams)

We will be instituting a parish Stewardship program with the help of the resources from the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese.

It must be understood from the beginning that the Primary Purpose of Stewardship is to promote the spiritual growth of the stewards

~ Growth in grace

~ Develop faith

~Christian Stewardship is not to finance the local parish. However, that is a secondary purpose at best

Christian Stewardship is a Way of Life

Stewardship is our active commitment to use ALL our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgement of Christ's redeeming love

- ~ Stewardship is caring for the needs of others
- ~ Stewardship is offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us
- ~ Stewardship is what a person does after saying "I believe..." as proof of that belief.

STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

Stewardship is not about calculations or portions or percentages. It can't be reduced to a number of hours of service or dollars offered. Stewardship is a way of life.

As Orthodox Christians, we are called to a new way of seeing things – a new way of life. Our stewardship is obedience to the greatest commandment to "love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind and strength." We are called to bring others to commit their lives to Jesus Christ in such a way that leads to the joy of knowing Him personally and profoundly.



As Orthodox Christians, we see the world as God's gift, as a sacrament of God's presence and a means of communion with Him. And so we are able to offer the world back to God in thanksgiving as we say in every Divine Liturgy "Thine own of Thine own we offer to thee..."

During the diocesan camping weeks a camper lost a school library book "The Color of Water" by James McBride. We were not able to find this book at camp and think perhaps someone might have accidentally packed it with their belongings and taken it home. Would you please be so kind as to relay this message to your youth and their parents who attended camp this summer and if they find this book to have them contact the camp at campnazareth@acrod.org or at 724-662-4840

PARISH UPDATE

NAME _____

STREET _____

CITY _____ **PHONE** _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

New **Change of Address**

Want Envelopes

Please cut and drop in the Collection Box or mail to Rectory