

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, April 19, 2026

Second Sunday of Pascha –

St. Thomas Sunday

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΒΟΣΚΡΕΣΕ! ~ ΒΟΙΣΤΥΗΝΥ ΒΟΣΚΡΕΣΕ!

ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ! ~ ΑΛΗΘΩΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Most Services May Be Joined by Live Stream at our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@holytrinitychurchelmira>

or go to www.YouTube.com and search for “Holy Trinity Church Elmira Heights NY”

Sunday, April 19 – St. Thomas Sunday, the Second Sunday of Pascha

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, with *Blessing and Installation of Parish Council Members and Auditors*

Followed by Fellowship Hour; Church School Easter Egg Hunt

1:00 PM (Weather Permitting) *Blessing of Graves* at Our Parish Cemetery, 125 Legion Rd., Elmira

Saturday, April 25

5:00 PM *Great Vespers*; Confession Available Afterward

After Vespers: 110th Parish Anniversary Banquet Planning Meeting – Fellowship Hall, Downstairs in the Church

Sunday, April 26 – Myrrh-Bearers Sunday, the Third Sunday of Pascha

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Fellowship Hour; Church School; Teen Group

1:30 PM “OMG” Orthodox Moms’ Group – At the Rectory

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT!

Nicole Chwastiak and Steven Follansbee, both members of our parish family, will be Crowned in the Mystery of Holy Matrimony here on Sunday, May 3, at 2:00 PM. May God grant Steven and Nicole MANY BLESSED YEARS!



ORTHODOX MOMS' GROUP

Moms – join us for a Paschal Get-Together!

Sunday, April 26, 1:30 PM – at the Parish Rectory

It's Dads' Day to Babysit! 😊

110th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET PLANNING MEETING

**Saturday, April 25,
following Vespers, in the Fellowship Hall**

If you cannot attend, but would like to participate, please contact Mat. Tamara so you can be included in upcoming planning chats.



ANNIVERSARY

**HOLY TRINITY
ELMIRA HEIGHTS**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE Acts 5:12-20 In those days, through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed. Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life."

GOSPEL John 20:19-31 At that time, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PASCHA DONATIONS!

Donations have been gratefully received with prayers for:

Departed: Walter & Elizabeth Holobinko William & Catherine Haluszczak Dorothy Black •
Linda Burke; Members of the Kingsley/Muscato Families • Alexander & Nadezhda Melnik; Michael Turic

Living: Sheila, Kris & Daniel Kingsley • Michelle, John & Maria Turic

Thank you to all who contributed to the Pascha Decorations,
Fellowship, and Resources for the Newly-Illumined and Inquirers!

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Patriarch ILIA of Georgia; Stephanida Hojnicky (+4/15/26); Robert; Jay, Sophie, Athena; Olga; Fr. Theodore; Deacon Andrei; Mario, Justin, Christian; Sophia; John, Daniel; Hunter; Liudmila; Jerry; Wesley Roman; Sofia, Irene; Margaret; Helen; John; Nicole; Forrest; Brian; Paul; Jennifer. Ever-memorable Reader Thomas Cheplick and all the departed named for the Holy Apostle St. Thomas (Feast Day today). All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly Chrismated William & Lyndsey Ruth Stewart and their sponsors Zachary & Amy; Antonina Weeks; Kathleen Loveland; Matushka Kathryn; Mat. Anastasia Molodyko-Harris; Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak; Mat. Patricia Mason; Susan (Mat. Katie's mother); Andrea (Dn. Michael's cousin); Richard; Charles; Andrew; Carl; Jay; Elena; children Michael, Rory & Giovanni; Thomas; Terry; Michael; Julee; Many; Olga; Patricia; Joyce; Matrona; Brooke; Tyler; George; expecting mothers Sarah, Catherine, Eyerin, Lyndsey, Presbyteria Krista Fedorchak, Matushka Margaret Brady and the children to be born to them; infant Avery; infant Natalie & Ana; James; James & Deborah; John; Scott & Casey, Child Hannah, Joshua, Ilsa, Erica, Harry, Caitlin, Helen, Sierra; Nicholas, Anna; Catechumens Raychel, Oliver, Madeline, Tomas, Camron, Logan, Robert, William & Mayona; Richard & Sandra.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbp. NATHANIEL; Archbp. BENJAMIN; Fr. Pedro & Mat. Raphaela; Fr. John Holoduek; Deacon John & Mat. Judith Koline; Deacon Michael Speck; Matushka Nancy Hutnyan, Mat. Christina Tassos; Maria, Gennady, Tatiana, Andrej, Elena, Vladislav, Emilia, Alexander, Anastasia, Anna, Andrej, Stanislav; Maryann, John, Nicholas, Jessica; Michael; Tatiana; Angela; Andreja, Anastasia, Vasilia; Sergei & his daughter Elena; child Eddie, Inocencia; George, Bill; infant Matthias; children Levi & Michael; newborn Lucy & her mother Brenna, Alex, Sophia, Nicholas; Sarah; child Eeta. All the clergy, faithful, their families and those who are ill, of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. All those afflicted by warfare in Iran, Ukraine, and around the world. **Name Day:** Thomas & Thomas Cheplick; altar server Thomas Alfred Fanaro (Feast day, today); George Lamprinos (Great-Martyr George, 4/23).

Birthdays: Dorothea Neidig (3 years old on 4/20); Michael Paolercio (4/20); Jessica Fanaro (4/22).

Traveling: Justin & Madelon.

Parish Children:

Lucia	Hannah	Jeremiah	Andrew	Myra	Ezekiel	Aalyiah	Sophia		
Lydia	Natalie	Emilia	Patrick	Sophia	Rdr. Dmitri	Jonah	Gabriel		
John	Nikolai	Melania	Alexei	Justus	Elea	Samuel	Gabriel		
Michael	Hannah	Raphael	Verity	Julie	Michelle	Shea	Jack		
Oliver	Anthony	Evangeline	Alfred	Rosemary	James	Brighid	Anna	Dorothea	
Jocephine	Killian	Rory	Levi	Azariah	Elijah	Galilee	Lydia	Sandra	Mayona

College Students: Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College • Julianna Cheplick – SUNY Delhi •

Thomas Cheplick – Corning Community College • Nathan Devens – SUNY Cobleskill •

Nadia Powers – SUNY Buffalo • Angelina McKane – West Point Academy • Madeline Cieslak – Elmira College

Cynthia Mathai, Mihaela Toader, Anastasia Shikula & Magdalena Botrous – LECOM Elmira

Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, Dn. Michael, or a Reader.

Typically, parish prayer requests remain on this list for 40 days.

READER SCHEDULE: April 18th – April 25th Mary Carol Haluszczak • April 25th – May 2nd Matushka Tamara • May 2nd – May 9th Reader Alexander

FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING SCHEDULE

April 19 St. Thomas Sunday Paschal Potluck ♦ 26 Haluszczak / Dudek Families ♦ **May 3** Lamprinos / Martelli Families ♦

10 Mother's Day Breakfast, Hosted by the Men's Group ♦ 17 Rinchack / Stewart Families ♦ 24 King Families ♦ **31**

Pentecost – 110th Anniversary Celebration with Archbishop Michael

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE – 4/19 Mat. Katie ♦ 4/26 Amy ♦ 5/3 Nina ♦ 5/10 Amy

♦ 5/17 Mat. Katie ♦ 5/24 Amy ♦ 5/31 Nina

COFFEE HOUR SUPPLIES – DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED FOR:

Spoons ♦ Hot Drink Cups ♦ Juices ♦ Napkins