

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, May 10, 2026 – Tone 4

Fifth Sunday of Pascha – The Samaritan Woman

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!



ANNIVERSARY

**HOLY TRINITY
ELMIRA HEIGHTS**

***110th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!
PENTECOST WEEKEND – MAY 30-31, 2026***

Archbishop Michael will lead the Divine Services:

Saturday, May 30, 5 PM – Great Vespers & Litya

Sunday, May 31, 9 AM – Greeting the Archbishop

and Celebration of the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Festive Banquet Follows, in the Ministry Hall

Upcoming Events:

Family Day BBQ & Campfire Event,

at the Stewarts' Farm – August, Date TBA

Wednesday, September 30, 7 PM – Visiting Speaker,

Abbot Sergius from St. Tikhon's Monastery

EVERYONE IS INVITED! LET'S CELEBRATE!

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, May 10 – The Samaritan Woman, 5th Sunday of Pascha – Mother’s Day

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Fellowship Hour, Church School, and Mother’s Day Lunch, Hosted by the Men’s Group

Wednesday, May 13

7:00 PM “Into the Narrow Gate” Zoom Adult Study Class for Inquirers and Catechumens (**note start time**)

Saturday, May 16

3:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

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

Sunday, May 17 – The Blind Man, 6th Sunday of Pascha

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

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

1:00 PM *Blessing of Graves* at our Holy Trinity Orthodox Church Cemetery, 125 Legion Road, Elmira

Wednesday, May 20 – The Leavetaking of Pascha

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*

6:30 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* for the Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday, May 21 – Great Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*

7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting – in the Church

Saturday, May 23

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

Sunday, May 24 – The Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council – 7th Sunday of Pascha

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Fellowship Hour, Church School and Choir Rehearsal

ZOOM CLASS FOR INQUIRERS, CATECHUMENS & RECENT CONVERTS: As Listed in the Above Schedule



INTO THE NARROW GATE

*Lessons with Fr. David on the Teachings
and the Life of the Orthodox Church*

Understanding Our Worship

Understanding Spiritual Warfare

**Understanding the Rhythm
of a Christian Life**

*This class is required for catechumens. Recordings
will be available
if you cannot attend live.*

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE Acts 11:19-26, 29-30 In those days, those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord. Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

GOSPEL John 4:5-42 At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life. The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS (Continued)

Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He." And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why are You talking with her?" The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, "Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" Then they went out of the city and came to Him. In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors." And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word. Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

Read the Daily Scripture Readings at www.oca.org/readings

PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Father David at 732-3980, when a family member is taken to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for any Orthodox Christian who is sick, however severe. If you are preparing for surgery (or recovering from it), please call Father.

Marriages and Baptisms require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates, choosing sponsors, and reserving reception halls.

Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians who have not declined the Sacraments.

The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremated persons.

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Debra (relative of the Charlanows); Peter; Sergey; Infant Avery; Monique and her unborn child; Victoria, Madison; Margaret; Sergei; Stephanida; Robert; Jay, Sophie, Athena; Olga; Deacon Andrei; Mario, Justin, Christian; Sophia; John, Daniel; Hunter. All of our departed Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers, Wives and Daughters on this Mother's Day. All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly-Crowned Steven & Nicole Follansbee; Newly Chrismated William & Lyndsey Ruth Stewart and their sponsors Zachary & Amy; James (father of Matushka Kathy White); Steven & Patricia Olson; Antonina Weeks; Kathleen Loveland; Matushka Kathryn; Mat. Anastasia Molodyko-Harris; Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak; Mat. Patricia Mason; Steven; Katrina; Susan; Andrea; Agnes; Richard; Charles; Andrew; Carl; children Michael & Rory; Michael; Julee; Many; Olga; Joyce; Matrona; Brooke; Tyler; George; expecting mothers Anastasia Kappanadze, Sarah, Catherine, Eyerin, Lyndsey, Meryl, Presbyteria Krista Fedorchak, Matushka Margaret Brady and the children to be born to them; infant Natalie & Ana; James; James & Deborah; John; Scott & Casey, Child Hannah, Joshua, Ilsa, Erica, Harry, Caitlin, Helen, Sierra; Catechumens Raychel, Oliver, Madeline, Tomas, Camron, Logan, Robert, William & Mayona; Richard & Sandra.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbp. NATHANIEL; Archbp. BENJAMIN; Fr. John Holoduek; Fr. Volodymyr Zablotsky; Deacon Michael Speck; Matushka Ellen Chupeck; Sarah & David, Heather; Peter, Matthew; Vasily, Enrique, Daisy, Byron, Sandy; Paolo; child Isaac; Alan & Lauren; Natalia; Ken, Patricia; Michael; Mary, Luna, Liam, Fiona; Vasy, Maria, Tanya, Hanna, Matthew, Steven, Patricia; Maria; Laura, Kathie; Denise; Sasha, Aurora, Anastasia & Margaret; soldiers Ryan, Nathaniel, Anthony & Joseph. 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. All of our Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers, Wives and Daughters on this Mother's Day. **Name Day:** Heidi Photini Hovan, Marilyn Photini Brady (St. Photini, the Samaritan Woman, today). **Birthdays:** Elizabeth (Sue) Hults (5/13), Fr. Volodymyr Zablotsky (5/15), Claudia Hendershot (5/16). **Anniversary:** Thomas & Maria (Jam) Cheplick (5/10).

Traveling: Amy & Andy.

Parish Children:

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| 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 | Evangelina | Alfred | Rosemary | James | Brighid | Anna | Dorothea | |
| Joephine | 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: May 9-23 Natalie Karney, Emilia Karney & Lydia Dudek ♦

May 23-30 Reader Dmitri ♦ May 30 – June 6 Reader William (Pentecost)

FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING SCHEDULE

May 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

CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 16, 3:30 PM ♦ Sunday, May 24, after Liturgy

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE – 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

CELEBRATING OUR 110TH PARISH ANNIVERSARY

Voluntary Donations for the Celebration

If you wish to sponsor one or more of the following items, please make a check mark in the blank.

Please place the name(s) of loved ones you wish to commemorate in the spaces at the bottom.

Pentecost Beautification for Church \$ _____

Guest Speaker Event 9/30 with Fr. Sergius \$ _____

110th Anniversary Banquet \$ _____

“As Needed” for the Celebration Events \$ _____



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SENDING YOUR DONATION

My donation(s) are with prayers for:

Deceased Loved Ones

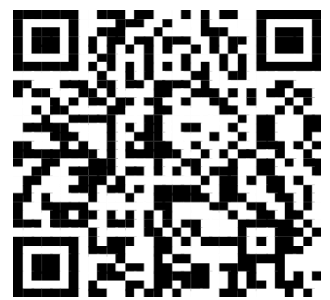
Living Loved Ones

(Feel free to list different names for items –
for example, “Lilies in memory of Mary Smith, Roses in memory of John Jones.”)

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Give Online with
QR Code; select “110th Anniv.”
under “Please Choose Fund”,
and type specific items
in the Memo section if you wish.

Please either bring your donations to church and give them to Fr. David or to Toni Weeks (Parish Treasurer), or mail them to Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 140 Horseheads Blvd., Elmira Heights, NY 14903. **Thank you!**