

# THE TRINITARIAN

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Divine Liturgy at 9:00 A.M.  
Church School Every Sunday at 10:45 A.M.  
(During the Months of September thru May)

Vespers - Every Saturday - 5:00 P.M.  
Choir Rehearsals Every Thursday at 7:30 P.M.  
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TONE 3

AUGUST 30, 2009

## **TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Sts. Alexander, John, and Paul the New, Patriarchs of Constantinople;*

*Repost of Ven. Alexander, Abbot of Svir;*

*Translation of the Relics of Rt. Blv. Great Prince Alexander Nevsky;*

*Uncovering of the Relics of St. Daniel, Prince of Moscow;*

*St. Christopher of Palestine; St. Fantinus of Calabria;*

*Synaxis of the Serbian Hierarchs: Sts. Nicodemus, and Daniel, Archbishops,  
Joannicus II, Spyridon, Ephraim II, Macarius, Gabriel I, Patriarchs, and Gregory, Bishop*

## **CHURCH NEW YEAR**

*Tuesday, September 1*

“O Designer and Creator of all that is, in Your power You arranged the seasons and the times. So now, bless this year we begin through Your goodness, give all Your people lasting peace, and by prayers of the Theotokos, save us.”

Troparion, Tone II

TODAY'S EPISTLE: I CORINTHIANS 15:1-11  
NEXT SUNDAY: I CORINTHIANS 16:13-24

TODAY'S GOSPEL: MATTHEW 19:16-26  
NEXT SUNDAY: MATTHEW 21:33-42

## **HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:**

Saturday, September 5      4:00 p.m. Baptism of Gabrielle Lynn, daughter of Kristoff and Nicole Goson  
5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions

## **Daily Scripture Readings**

Monday, August 31	II Corinthians 8:7-15	Mark 3:6-12
	II Corinthians 8:16-9:5	Mark 3:13-19
Tuesday, September 1	I Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 4:16-22
(St. Simeon)	Colossians 3:12-16	Matthew 11:27-30
Wednesday, September 2	II Corinthians 9:12-10:7	Mark 3:20-27
Thursday, September 3	II Corinthians 10:7-18	Mark 3:28-35
Friday, September 4	II Corinthians 11:5-21	Mark 4:1-9
Saturday, September 5	I Corinthians 2:6-9	Matthew 22:15-22

**COMING EVENTS**

**AUGUST:**

30, TODAY Meeting of Ethnic Foods Group  
31, Monday 7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting

**SEPTEMBER:**

4,5 Preparation for Ethnic Foods Sale  
8,9 Preparation for Ethnic Foods Sale  
10-11 Ethnic Foods Stuffed Cabbage Sale  
12, Saturday 6:00 p.m. Ostrov (Island) film viewing  
20, Sunday Church School begins  
All-Parish meeting  
Women's Club meeting

**LORD'S BLESSINGS:**

Blessings to all who made last Sunday's corn roast another parish joy -- especially Ken Kruse for roasting, to Gil George for the sing-along and to the Bakan Family for providing the corn.

To Susan and Neil Haverly for the beauty of the Prayer Garden and for painting the garage.

To Nick Rolin for patching the driveway potholes.

**ALL PARISH MEETING:**

Sunday, September 20, during Coffee Hour, Council will update the parish on the results of Joe Kormos' visit. We will present the conclusions we drew, the initiatives we have begun, and our path forward.

**ETHNIC FOODS:**

There will be a short meeting TODAY in the Fellowship Hall.

There will be a sale of stuffed cabbage and other ethnic foods on September 10-11. To order, please call the church. Preparation begins Friday, Sept. 4.

Donations of tomato soup and bacon are needed.

**PROJECT MEXICO 2010:**

Dates available for 2010 are 5/28, 6/9, 6/22, 7/6, 7/20, 7/29. Contact Jack Palivoda (216-235-2990; jackpal@microsoft.com) if interested. Dates must be selected by 9/24/09. A sign-up sheet is available.

**FLOWERS:**

The flowers today are offered by Sarah and Benjamin Hatch in celebration of their anniversary.

**CHURCH SCHOOL:**

Classes begin on September 20 and are offered for ages 3 and up. Please contact Karen Mravetz (216-661-7449) to register children new to the program.

**DEAR LORD...**

...Please be kind to those who are affected by job loss. Help them through troubled times, and let family members show even more love to one another.

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If any know of job leads, please let our people know.

**IN TOUCH:**

Kindly call the church office Monday or Thursday, 9:00-1:00, and let us know of college students' names, schools, cell phones numbers, and e-mail addresses.

**FILM:**

There will be a viewing of the film "Ostrov" (Island) on Saturday, September 12, following Vespers.

**GLASS PENDANTS:**

A new shipment of glass pendants is available for purchase in La Coupole; or see Barbara Filipow.

**WOMEN'S CLUB:**

Meetings are scheduled for Sept. 20 and Oct. 4. The Style Show / Silent Auction will be Oct. 25.

**TRINITARIAN COVERS:**

The covers today are offered by Daria and Jerry Petrykowski in celebration of their anniversary.

**THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE**

REGULAR COLLECTION, AUGUST 23	\$ 3096.00
CHILDREN'S COLLECTION	4.00
CHURCH ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT	272.00
BUILDING FUND	257.00
MORTGAGE FUND	425.00
CANDLES	173.00

TV OR NOT TV

*“Instruct a wise man and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man and he will add to his learning” (Proverbs 9:9)*

Schools are starting now that summer is over. Competition for placement, admissions to colleges of choice and permission to take select courses drive students to do whatever one can to get a head start on all others. Ambitious young people encouraged by involved parents will enroll them in whatever will offer them the opportunities to advance: Language programs, training in physical and technical areas of study, speed reading, and in a word, whatever will provide them with a leg up on their peers. Anything that will help them do their best to excel – anything except the best way: Get rid of the television sets. Do without them. But will it be done? Not likely.

In a questionnaire several years ago presented to children, they were asked if they would choose between their fathers or television. A startling number said they preferred the television. Were we to poll entire families to consider if they had to choose the television or indoor plumbing, I should imagine at least for some the response would be: “Let’s think it over.” Television has so invaded our modern lives and dominated how we think, what we think, and the way we formulate our decisions and opinions that it would require a major adjustment in our life styles to do away with TV. Earlier this month along with our Youth Group, we canoed along the Mohican River in central Ohio for several hours. We passed by scores of Winnebagoes and ordinary tents occupied by families who “just had to get away” from the routine of their normal lives; however, nearly every one of them had the pie pan shaped receivers from the TV stations. Getting away has a new definition in our times.

What indeed would a family miss if they were to go “cold turkey” for a month or more? Visual debris of advertisements selling what one doesn’t need, trivial sitcoms that regurgitate the banal plots that any child over eight can predict before the last commercial, news that one feeds on and is about as long-lasting as the last bag of popcorn.

And what do you gain if you as a family fast from television watching, at least for a week, just for a trial period? Time. Time to reflect, relax, stroll around the neighborhood and talk with one another. What is really going on in the lives of those whom you say you love at each parting? More, read - not just the newspapers and what comes in the mail, but the books you should have read in school days. The best gift parents can offer to their youngsters is to find the fun classics and read them aloud. Encourage the children to take their turn reading whole chapters. Take them to the library, get them a card and escort them to the sections where their interests lie. I would encourage Orthodox Christian young families that regardless of how serious the Lenten fasts are kept involving the foods that are not eaten, a more productive discipline would be to fast from all electronic entertainment and learn the joy of silence. Capture the delight of using the imagination by reading. Learn to write a journal and keep track of what’s going on in the thoughts, plans, frustrations and victories of the mind.

It’s not pleasant to make this observation; nevertheless, it holds true for the most part. The separation between achievers and successful opposed to the mediocrities and time servers in society have a great deal to do with those who have learned to think, plan and prepare for the future, and those who just wait for whatever happens to happen.

*Father Vladimir Berzonsky*

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# SEPTEMBER 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1  <b>Church New Year</b>	2	3	4  8:00 a.m. Preparation for Ethnic Foods Sale	5 8:00 a.m. Prep for Ethnic Foods Sale 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions
6 13th Sunday after Pentecost Martyrs Eudoxius, Zeno, Macarius	7  7:00 p.m. Vigil of the Nativity of the Theotokos	8 8:00 a.m. Prep for Ethnic Foods Sale 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <b>The Nativity of the Theotokos</b>	9 6:00 a.m. Preparation for Food Sale	10 9:00 - 6:00 Ethnic Foods Stuffed Cabbage Sale	11 9:00 - 6:00 Ethnic Foods Stuffed Cabbage Sale	12  5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions 6:00 Film "Ostrov"
13 14th Sunday after Pentecost Forefeast of the Elevation of the Cross 7:00 p.m. Vigil	14 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy  <b>The Exaltation of the Cross</b>	15	16	17	18	19  5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions
20 15th Sunday after Pentecost St. Eustathius All-Parish mtg. First day of Church School Program W. Club mtg.	21	22	23	24	25	26  5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions
27 16th Sunday after Pentecost Martyr Callistratus; Ven. Savvatii	28	29	30			

“Since the beginning of the world men have died; since the beginning of the world it has been well enough known that all earthly things are unstable, fleeting, corruptible. And yet, with a sort of blind greed, men stake all they possess, all the forces of their souls, upon this card which is bound to be trumped. They take their wealth to a bank which will certainly become insolvent.”

Father Alexander Elchaninov  
1831-1934



*Matthew 19:16-26*

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