HOLY APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST LUKE

Holy Apostle Luke was a native of Syrian Antioch, a companion of the Holy Apostle Paul, and a physician enlightened in the Greek medical arts. Hearing about Christ, Luke arrived in Palestine and fervently accepted the preaching of salvation from the Lord Himself. St. Luke was sent by Christ to preach as one of the Seventy Apostles. After the Resurrection, the Lord appeared to Saints Luke and Cleopas on the road to Emmaus.

St. Luke accompanied St. Paul on his second missionary journey, and from that time they were inseparable. When Paul's coworkers had forsaken him, only Luke remained to assist him in his ministry. After the martyric deaths of Apostles Peter and Paul, St. Luke left Rome to preach in Achaia, Libya, Egypt and the Thebaid. He ended his life by suffering martyrdom in the city of Thebes.

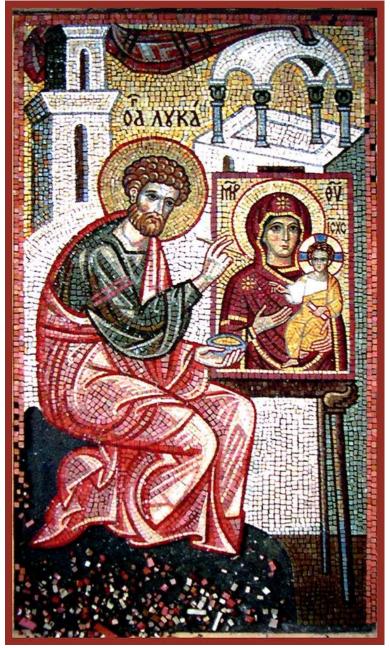
Tradition credits St. Luke with painting the first icons of the Mother of God. "Let the grace of Him Who was born of Me and My mercy be with these Icons," said the All-Pure Virgin upon seeing them. St. Luke also painted icons of the Apostles Peter and Paul. St. Luke's Gospel was written in the years 62-63 at Rome, under the guidance of Apostle Paul. In the preliminary verses (1:1-3), St. Luke precisely sets forth the purpose of his work. He proposes to record, in chronological order, everything known by Christians about Jesus Christ and His teachings. By doing this, he provided a firmer historical basis for Christian teaching. He carefully investigated the facts and made generous use of the oral tradition of the Church and of what the All-Pure Virgin Mary Herself had told him (2:19, 51).

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke Martyr Marinus the Elder at Anazarbus; Ven. Julian the Hermit, of Mesopotamia

"Let us praise with sacred songs the holy Apostle Luke, the recorder of the joyous Gospel of Christ and the scribe of the Acts of the Apostles, for his writings are a testimony of the Church of Christ: He is the physician of human weaknesses and infirmities. He heals the wounds of our souls, and constantly intercedes for our salvation!"

Troparion, Tone V

"By a flood of tears you made the desert fertile, and your longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance. By the radiance of miracles you illumined the whole universe! O our holy father Julian, pray to Christ our God to save our souls!"

Troparion, Tone VIII

TODAY'S EPISTLE: II CORINTHIANS 11:31-12:9

COLOSSIANS 4:5-9,14,18

TODAY'S GOSPEL: LUKE 8:5-15

LUKE 10:16-21

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

Today, October 18 1:00 p.m. Baptism of Salvador Kouvana

Saturday, October 24 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, October 19	Philippians 2:12-16	Luke 9:18-22
Tuesday, October 20	Philippians 2:16-23	Luke 9:23-27
Wednesday, October 21	Philippians 2:24-30	Luke 9:44-50
Thursday, October 22	Philippians 3:1-8	Luke 9:49-56
Friday, October 23	Philippians 3:8-19	Luke 10:1-15
(Apostle James)	Galatians 1:11-19	Matthew 13:54-58
Saturday, October 24	II Corinthians 1:8-11	Luke 7:1-10
(Departed)	I Thessalonians 4:13-17	John 5:24-30

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COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER:

25, Sunday Parish Council meeting

YouTube presentation of Eastern Churches Seminar

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A Special Presentation by Fr. Alexander, "The Eucharist in Art and Life," will be available Sunday, Oct. 25, on the Internet as the 36th Annual Eastern Churches Seminar. See the flyer below for information.

EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD:

If you are interested in joining the EOWG, please talk with Joanne Stoyka or Dianna Kall. Read below for another opportunity to support this organization.

TRINITARIAN COVERS:

The covers today are offered by Christina Garik in memory of Art Garik.

WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE:

Are you an Orthodox woman age 18-55 willing to share your opinions about women's healthcare needs in America? This research is being completed by Kimberly Babich Speck, Doctor of Nursing Practice student at Otterbein University, with the support of ZOE Women's Center. Participants who interview will be paid \$20. Please see further details in the Fellowship Hall; or contact Kimberly at 440-708-8434; email Kimberly.babichspeck@otterbein.edu

COFFEE HOUR:

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments after the Divine Liturgy.



Very Reverend Alexander Garklavs

In the Christian traditions of East and West, Eucharist and art hold much in common. Both have sensory and spiritual dimensions. Both bring people together. Both transform minds and hearts. Both feed the soul's hunger for personal meaning and interpersonal communion. Both express praise and thanks to God. And both the Eucharist and the arts are about living *life* to the full.

The Eucharist has inspired countless masterpieces of visual, musical, and literary art. In turn, the arts have added beauty and joy to the celebration of Eucharist. The interplay of Eucharist, art, and life is the focus of Father Alexander Garklavs' presentation for this year's Eastern Churches Seminar.

Father Garklavs is currently pastor of Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Parma, Ohio. He formerly served as chancellor of the Orthodox Church in America.

As the first virtual presentation in its 36-year history, this year's seminar will debut on YouTube on **October 25, 2020**, at <u>YouTube.com/NotreDameCollege</u> or NotreDameCollege.edu/EasternChurchesSeminar

EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD

The EOWG has annually held a Pasta Dinner and Social, which raises funds for charitable, educational, and ministerial programs within the Orthodox Church. Examples are the IOCC, St. Herman's House, ZOE for Life, St. Mary of Egypt mission, campus ministry organizations, seminaries and monasteries.

This year, the Dinner cannot be held due to COVID concerns; so the Guild has organized a Virtual Fundraiser. Donations of any amount are appreciated! Checks should be made to "EOWG" and mailed by October 30 to: Helen Beverly; 10200 Ridgewood Dr; #408; Parma Hts., OH 44130.

Each multiple of a \$15 donation will enter you into a drawing. Four names will be randomly selected at the EOWG meeting on November 14. Winners will receive a \$25 gift card of choice (or cash), along with a package of pasta and Bolognese sauce for a family of 4.

HTOC representatives for the Guild are Joanne Stoyka and Dianna Kall. Please see either woman if you

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Dear Parishioners & Friends,

Last year at this time, we were preparing for our Annual Parish Meeting. Unfortunately, the continuing Covid-19 pandemic has forced us to make changes in our parish life, including the Annual Meeting. We therefore wanted to use this letter to explain how things at Holy Trinity Church have been affected.

In the first place, a few words about liturgical life. After some fluctuations, it seems that we have come to a more-or-less regular pattern in terms of attendance at worship services. Wearing masks and keeping social distance are the norms, and participation at services is limited to sixty people. As quite a few parishioners are still not attending, we have concluded that for the time being all, who are willing, are welcome to attend any of the scheduled church services. Most of the services are also online. Regular emails are sent weekly with schedules of services and texts, as well as other announcements.

In consideration of the ongoing pandemic, the Parish Council discussed the options about the Annual Parish Meeting. Since only half of the parishioners are coming to church, it was felt that establishing a quorum would be hard. Also, as no major decisions face the parish, it was decided it would be best to postpone the Annual Meeting. We informed our Diocesan Hierarch, Archbishop Paul, and he has approved and blessed our decision. The Parish Council has been meeting regularly during the pandemic and will continue to do so, overseeing maintenance issues and repairs as they are needed.

Social events are an important component of our parish and unfortunately this aspect has been drastically affected. Since the pandemic began, all social and educational activities were cancelled. Just recently, under special conditions, limited choir rehearsals began. For now, no Church School classes are planned. Although we had great weather this past Summer, our annual picnic could not take place. However, we have just resumed having Coffee Hour, observing special precautions. We hope to revive more social programs soon.

As strange and unpleasant as things have been, with God's blessings and your good will, we have been able to navigate through difficult circumstances and persevere. Regular contributions, whether mailed or dropped in the baskets at church, have enabled the parish to maintain a semblance of normalcy. Your donations and support have made it possible for us to keep a regular schedule of services and to perform the necessary pastoral needs: baptisms, a wedding and several funerals. Whether in church or at home, we continue to join together, "with one mind and heart," praying for God's mercies and help, with the confidence that in the nearest future we will all be together, as brothers and sisters in Christ, and beloved family members of Holy Trinity Parish.

Sincerely in Christ our Lord,

MaryAnn Bobulsky, Council President

Fr. Alexander Garklavs, Pastor

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