

1st Sunday of Great Lent -Sunday of Orthodoxy

Troparion - Tone 2

We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One,
and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God.
Of Your own will You were pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh
to deliver Your creatures from bondage to the enemy.
Therefore with thanksgiving we cry aloud to You:
You have filled all with joy, O our Savior,
by coming to save the world.

Kontakion - Tone 8

No one could describe the Word of the Father;
but when He took flesh from you, O Theotokos, He accepted to be described,
and restored the fallen image to its former beauty.
We confess and proclaim our salvation in word and images.

Originally, the Prophets Moses, Aaron, and Samuel were commemorated on this Sunday. The Alleluia verses appointed for today's Liturgy reflect this older usage.

Today we commemorate the "Triumph of Orthodoxy," the restoration of the holy icons in the reign of the holy Empress Theodora (February 11).
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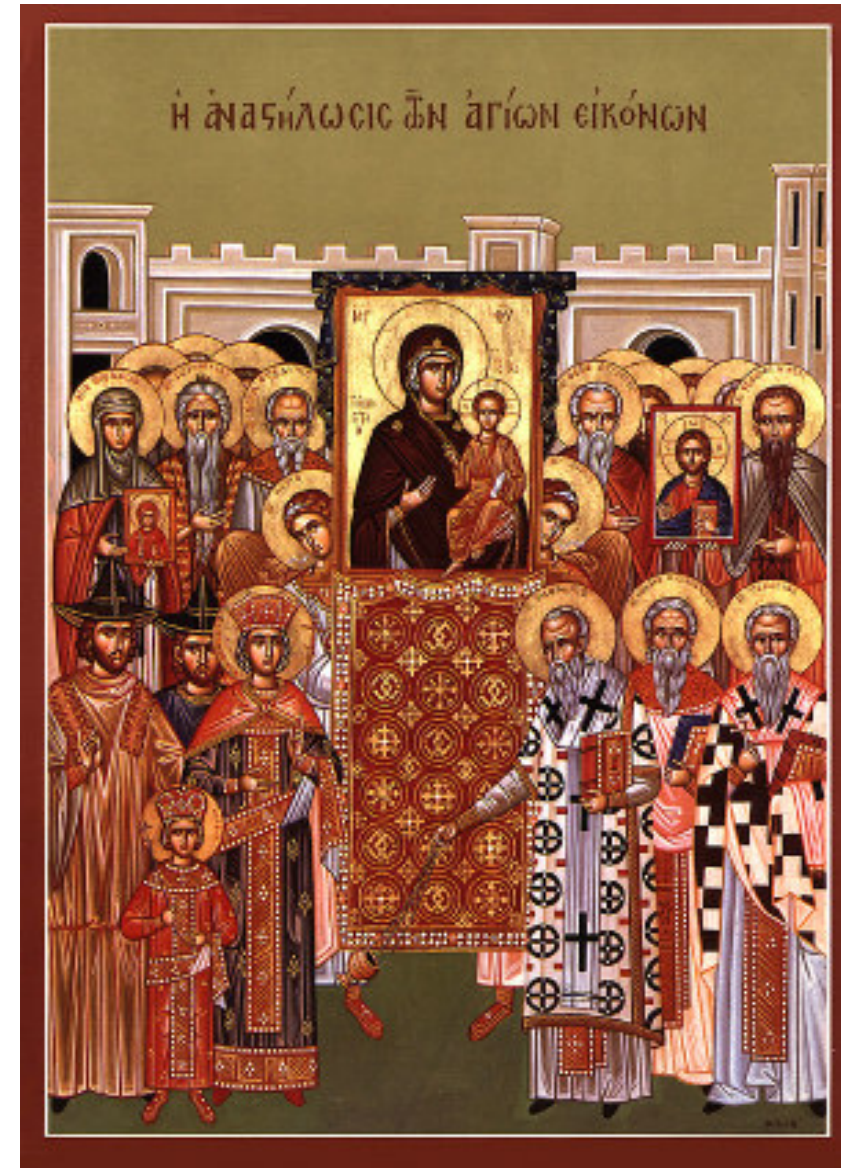
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

Today **Sunday of Orthodoxy-Holy Trinity Randolph, NJ- 4:00 p.m.**
Wed. **7:00 p.m. Pre-sanctified Liturgy**
Fri. **7:00 p.m. Pre-sanctified Liturgy**
Saturday ... 8:00 a.m. Memorial Divine Liturgy-6:00 p.m. Vepers/Lenten Confessions
Sunday, March 23 **9:15 Church School – 9:35 a.m. Hours, 10 AM Divine Liturgy**
Lenten Vespers-Mother of God Church, Mays Landing, NJ

Today's commemorated feasts and saints... Today's commemorated feasts and saints... FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT — Tone 1. Sunday of Orthodoxy. Martyr Sabinas of Egypt. Martyr Papas of Lyconia (305-311). St. Serapion, Archbishop of Novgorod (1516). Apostle Aristobulus of the Seventy, Bishop of Britain (1st c.). Hieromartyr Alexander, Pope of Rome (119). Martyr Julian of Anazarbus (3rd c.). Hieromartyrs Trophimus and Thalys, of Laodicea (ca. 300).

Hebrews 11:24-26,32-12:2 (Epistle) John 1:43-51 (Gospel)

BULLETIN

The memorial service this morning was offered by **Feodora Apanasow** and **Taisa and Ed Engelsman** in blessed memory of their Husband and Father **+Michael** (Apanasow) on the day of the 1st Anniversary of his repose. **May his memory be eternal.**

Thank you to all who attended, cooked and helped at the **Blini Luncheon** last Sunday. Although it was poorly attended, a good time was had by all.

This Wednesday evening the Liturgy of the Presanctified gifts will be celebrated at our Church with Clergy of other Orthodox Jurisdictions. We need volunteers to bring Lenten pot luck dishes to help with the agape meal for them and their parishioners. See Matushka Joanne who will coordinate the food. **Plan on attending the liturgy.** Fast from after your noon meal to receive Holy Communion.

Lenten Confessions will be heard *before* each **Pre-sanctified Liturgy.** **Private Lenten Confessions** will be heard *before and after each vespers service.* **Please do not come on Sunday mornings for Confession as Father Samuel is extremely busy at those times.** Father Samuel will hear confessions by appointment if you would like.

The **Engelsman family** is signed up for the Coffee Social today. The **Dedes family** is scheduled for next week. **The schedule is posted downstairs and on our website. Please make arrangements for someone to fill in for you or switch with if you cannot make your day.**

Please place a **food donation in the Sussex Help Center basket** downstairs. The food is distrib-

uted to the needy in our community. Thank-you, Despena Eptamenitis. They were very appreciative of the food that you had placed in the basket as they were running short.

Thank you to **Louis and Nikki Vagias** for their generous donation of Coffee and Prospora to our Church.

Please place a small donation in the basket at Coffee Social to help pay for the paper products.

A reminder to all who are worshipping at Holy Spirit Church, please turn off your cell phones or leave it in your cars until after Divine Liturgy

PLEASE PURCHASE gift cards for shopping at ShopRite and A & P stores. They are working out wonderfully. Very convenient for shopping. No cash, no checks, just a little card. They are great, and our church benefits by your using them.

WE HAVE SHOP RITE AND A&P GIFT CARDS-STOCK UP ON GIFT CARDS FOR YOUR REGULAR SHOPPING & AS GIFTS TO OTHERS

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Catherine Schwed, Thelma Macheska, Alyssa Karakos, Mary Kwak, Matushka Evelyn Kreta, Christopher, the infant Ella Jane, Corinne Matthews, infant Nicholai, Dan Taylor, Stephen Kachur, Pighi Mardaloescu, Valentina Bobrowsky, Archimandrite Joachim (Parr), Frank Higginbotham, Joanne Patrick, Feodora Apanasow, Archpriest Joseph Chupeck, the infant Logan Eugene, Jennifer, Matushka Vera Yuschak, Kat Shannon, Christine Molbury and her children, Elise Chwan, Archpriest George Mamengakis and Archbishop GREGORY

SEVEN DAY VIGIL CANDLES

By **Alexandra Gutu** in Blessed Memory of her brother **+ND Dumitru** 2-09-08

By **Alexandra Gutu** for health, and salvation of her mother **Ana** who is ill

By **Helen Schweizer** for happy names day (**St. Alexandra**) of her granddaughter **Alexa Pishtey**

By the **Kedala Family** in Blessed Memory of **+ND Archpriest Ivan** (Mironko)

Seven day vigil candles are available for the faithful to sponsor in memory of their departed, the sick, or for the general intentions (anniversaries, birthdays, weddings, baptisms, etc.). They will remain lit on the altar and table of oblation. The suggested donation is \$10.00 each and will burn for seven days. The intentions and those who offered them will be announced in the weekly bulletins. You may purchase your offering at the Parish Council office.

If you would like to have something published in the weekly bulletin, e-mail or bring typed copy to Father Samuel by Wednesday of the week prior to the Sunday you would like it published.

We welcome our guests who are worshipping with us today. Please join us downstairs for refreshments and fellowship. Please sign our guest book before you leave.

Please be respectful of our children participating in Church School. If you are not a teacher or student, please remain upstairs, rather than interrupt their schooling. Thank you-Fr Samuel

Visit our web site at www.holyspiritorthodox.org -Updates to services and schedules will be posted there as needed. **Please try to come early to services.** On Sundays we should strive to be in church by 9:35 am to hear the reading of the Hours, light our candles and say our private prayers (pre-Communion prayers). Thank You!

The Rebates from the president's stimulus package will be forthcoming. You may want to apply yours toward our mortgage for this year..