

Member Information

NAME

NAME OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE

HOME PHONE

MOBILE PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

Dependent Children's names and birthdates:

May we include your contact information in the parish directory?

yes no *If yes, please indicate any information you would like excluded:*

May we add you to our parish email list?

yes no

In the Gospel of Saint Matthew (6:19), Jesus instructs us, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal..." Often in life, we pursue and collect those things that do not last. We must ask, "One hundred years from now, where will our possessions be?" Our greatest blessing is our family. As Orthodox Christians, we are called to be stewards of this great gift. If we are faithful to this calling, perhaps our Lord will say to us as he did to the faithful steward, "Well done good and faithful servant" (Mt 25:23).



Treasure

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We commit to Christ and His Church \$ _____ for 2020.

I will make payments _____ weekly / _____ monthly / _____ annually

*Mark a (✓) next to applicable frequency

Planned Giving

Please send me information on making a planned/estate gift to the Church

Time & Talent

Individual stewards should indicate areas of interest with a check (✓). Families should mark "H" for husband, "W" for wife or "C" for children.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Pascha Picnic
- Christmas Pageant
- Greek Festival
- Glendi/Talent Show

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- Church School Teachers
- Adult Education
- Bible Study
- Vacation Church School

ADMINISTRATION

- Stewardship Ministry
- Parish Council
- Development/Fundraising
- Audit Committee
- Capital Campaign
- Newsletter/Bulletin Mailings
- Web Design/Maintenance
- Risk Management Committee
- Long-Range Planning Committee

PROPERTY

- Property & Building Maintenance
- Kitchen Organizer

LITURGICAL

- After Care (Neokoros)
- Altar boys /Acolytes
- Baking Prosfora
- Adult Choir/Chanters
- Readers

PARISH LIFE/FAMILY SERVICES

- Welcome Committee
- Philotochos
- Welcome Ministry/Greeters
- St. John the Merciful Outreach
- Int'l Orth Christian Charities
- OCMC Missions
- Christians Caring for Creation
- Prison Ministry

BOOK STORE/LIBRARY

- Bookstore/Library Volunteer

YOUTH DIAKONIA

- GOYA
- Planner/Leader/Chaperone*
- Hellenic Dance Festival
- Planner/Leader/Chaperone*
- OCF
- Planner/Leader/Chaperone*
- Angels, Hope & Joy
- Planner/Leader/Chaperone*

HELLENIC CULTURAL MINISTRY

- Youth Greek Language
- Adult Greek Language
- Greek Dance Instruction
- OXI Day
- Greek Independence Day

HOSPITALITY

- Welcome Committee
- Sunday Coffee Hour Volunteer
- Special Reception Volunteer

Any other talents or information on items listed above:

Christian Stewardship is...

...learning how to be a responsible and concerned caretaker of Christ's Church; it is learning how to enjoy Church life and be happy in Church work, for in Her dwells the fullness of the Spirit of God.

...our active commitment to use all our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love.

...caring for the needs of others.

...offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us.

...what a person does after saying "I believe..." as proof of that belief.

...devotion and service to God and His Church as persons, as families, as diocese/metropolis, as national Church and as Church universal.

Williams & McKibben in Oriented Leadership

Our Mission

The mission of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church is to enhance our life in Christ through Liturgia (Worship), Diakonia (Service), Paideia (Education), Martyria (Witness), and Koinonia (Community in Christ) guided and united in all things by the Holy Spirit so that we may reach our ultimate aim, union with Christ (Theosis). To preserve, protect, defend, and propagate the Holy Orthodox Faith, "contend(ing) earnestly for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 5).

Psalm 144:44 says "Man is like a breath; his days are like a fleeting shadow. Our lifetime is a small bit of eternity – "a fleeting shadow," which we receive as stewards. Time is a precious gift that we dare not waste. Like the three stewards in the Parable of the Talents, one day God will call each one of us to give account of how we have used the time entrusted to us.

As Christians it is important to value the time we spend at church, in worship, service and activities. The church is not a social club, but rather a place where people of faith gather for worship, fellowship, and service. Most importantly, we gather together in worship, praising and thanking God for the blessings in our lives and hearing His Word. Of the 168 hours in every week with which we have been blessed, we offer back the short time we spend in church on Sunday morning, gathered together as the Body of Christ.

Just as we budget our financial resources to reflect our priorities, we must always evaluate our allocation of time. We are all busy these days, but not all of that busy time is always well-spent. We may need to say no to certain demands on our time, opening our schedule to God's prompting. We can live each day anticipating the opportunities he places in our path to offer our gift of time.

Holy Trinity is incredibly grateful for your substantial past support; it is through such kindness that we are able to continue creating and growing our valuable ministries and programs, while managing the ever-changing operational needs She faces each year.

Before completing the enclosed Commitment Card and Information Form, I ask that your precious family gives prayerful consideration to the commitment you are making. Consider "How can we adequately thank God for our many blessings?" A check mailed to Holy Trinity is most meaningful when accompanied by your presence, by your willingness to serve, by your prayers, and by your commitment. Giving is not a substitute for commitment – it is an expression of your assurance and an expression of thanks for the many blessings in your life.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Paul Christy - Protospesbyter

