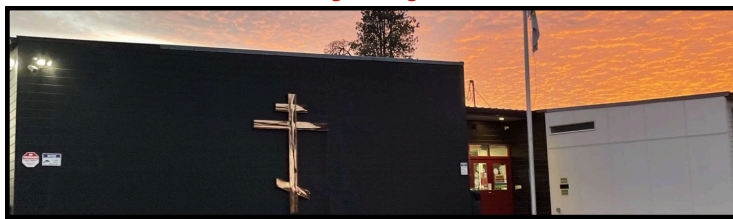


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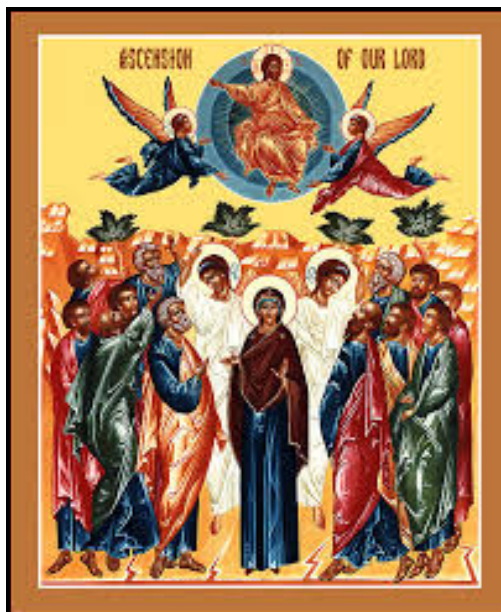
ВОЗНЕСЕНИЕ ГОСПОДНЕ

By Eoan Molodih, 12th grade

The Ascension of Our Lord

The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ is celebrated each year on the fortieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter). Since the date of Pascha changes each year, the date of the Feast also changes. The Feast is always celebrated on a Thursday. The Feast itself commemorates when, on the fortieth day after His Resurrection, Jesus led His disciples to the Mount of Olives, and after blessing them and asking them to wait for the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, He ascended into heaven.

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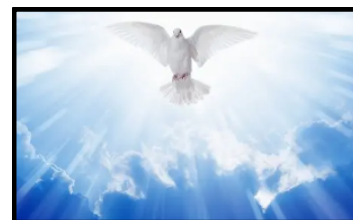
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WORD OF THE MONTH

By Nickolai Pleshakov, 11th grade

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ВОЗНЕСЕША ВОСЛАВѢ ХРѢТЕ БЖЕ НАШЪ,
РАДОСТЬ СОТВОРИШЬ УЧЕНИКОМЪ СВОИМЪ,
ѠБѢТОВАНІЕМЪ СѢАГЪ ДХА.

*O Christ God, You have ascended in glory,
granting joy to Your disciples
by the **promise** of the Holy Spirit.*

(From the тропарь for Вознесение Господне.)



The светилен for Вознесение Господне,
which students have been practicing in
Feodora Karayel's singing class.

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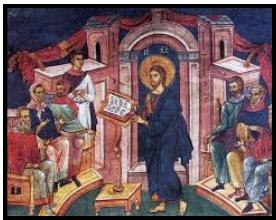
OTHER HOLY DAYS OF THE MONTH

By Nikita Burkoff, 11th grade



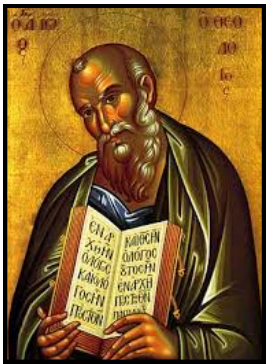
Γεώργιος Πокръдоніцъ Great Martyr George (May 6th)

Saint George was a wealthy and high ranking Cappadocian athlete of Christ. He was known for his military career, public confession of Christ, escaping a poison, and raising a dead man. Saint George was executed for refusing to make a sacrifice in honor of the pagan gods during the persecutions of the Emperor Diocletian in the early 4th century.



Πρεπολόκενιe Γοcπóδνε Mid Pentecost of our Lord (May 14)

Mid-Pentecost, also known as the Feast of the Holy Spirit, commemorates the event of Jesus teaching in the temple during the Feast of Tabernacles, symbolizing the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the waters of grace.



Йоáннъ Бгослóвъъ John the Theologian (May 21)

This holy day commemorates how Saint John the Theologian (also known as John the Apostle) he was transferred to heaven, rather than dying. He is considered one of the three closest to Jesus Christ.



Πεpенесένιe Μοcτέν Νικóλυ Transfer of Relics of St. Nicholas (May 22)

This day is remembered as the transfer of St. Nicholas's remains. The relics of Saint Nicholas were moved from Myra to Bari in 1087. After being displayed in Moscow and St. Petersburg, the relics were returned to Bari in late July 2017, where they remain today.

ИМЕНИНЫ OF MAY

By Nikita Burkoff, 11th grade

May 1st	Γεωργίáνъ
May 3rd	Γpηγόpνιъ
May 7th	Ελίζαβέτa
May 7th	Αλεξáνδpα
May 15th	Ρομάνъ
May 16th	Τιμοφίъ
May 17th	Πελαγία
May 22nd	Ακκλήνa
May 22nd	Никóλa
May 29th	Γεώpγiъ
May 31st	Φαίνa

IMPORTANT DATES

By Nikita Burkoff, 11th grade

	1st	Principals' Day
	5th-9th	Teacher Appreciation Week
	9th	Spring Group Photos
	16th	HTPS performance
	18th	Mr. Simmons' Birthday
	20th	Bookmobile Day
	26th	Memorial Day No School
	30th	High School Graduation

PRIMARY UPDATES

By Faina Molodih, 12th grade

Tëтя Ksenya's first-grade class is focusing on Jesus this month as part of their reading curriculum. The students are also painting a project she prepared and writing "Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!" on their artwork. They'll be going on a field trip to a local park, with each student required to bring a parent. The day will include fun games and friendly competitions.

The students have been working in pairs since the start of the year and are getting along very well. Tëтя Ksenya shares that they love coming to school each day. Her favorite part of teaching is seeing their progress in reading, while the biggest challenge is helping them learn to get along with one another.



The students showing their paintings



Scan here to see the kids singing while working

ДУХОВНЫЕ DEVELOPMENTS

By Nickola Kulikov, 12th grade

In this issue of the Троица Times, our ungraded devotional teacher, Faddei Postnikov, was asked a few questions. He mentioned that his students have been learning Church Slavonic and Pascha singing.

He was asked, "What do you enjoy most about teaching the kids here?" His answer was, "Teaching here gives me purpose. I love the energy my students bring to my classes every day."

The final question was, "Is there anything more you want the parents to know?" He responded, "I would like the parents to know that they can come in and get involved in my classes. I am also open to receiving feedback from any parents."



SCHOLAR'S SPOTLIGHT

By Alexander Kuznetsov & Ekaterina Secrist, 11th grade

This month's scholar,
Ewon Scherbakov



Ewon Scherbakov, a sophomore from the homeroom of Ekaterina Fyodorovna's class, has shown tremendous growth since the beginning of the year and is one of the few students that pays for his own tuition, proof he is wanting to be closer to God and our amazing community.

He is enthusiastic, respectful and honors God. He participates well with other students and puts in hard work for everything he does. He loves all subjects, but his favorite subject in school is math because he enjoys the challenge. His favorite thing about this year is having a good relationship with his classmates. He is happy he's with his classmates and this community instead of a public school.

ELEMENTARY UPDATES

By Faina Molodih, 12th grade

Tëтя Effimia, a fourth grade teacher, just finished the Oregon Trail unit with her students. They are now practicing the logistics of what each student will be doing for their upcoming performance. This month, Tëтя Effimia is teaching all subjects but is primarily focused on preparing her students for fifth grade. She says her students are kind to one another and treat each other with respect. Her favorite part about teaching fourth graders is that they are still young and sweet, yet becoming independent.



APRIL RECAP

By Eoan Molodih, 12th grade

In our April newsletter, we reflected on some meaningful moments in the calendar. We spoke about Palm Sunday, a day commemorating Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and Lazarus Saturday, which reminds us of Christ's power over death and His deep compassion for humanity. We also highlighted the Annunciation of the Mother of God, a beautiful feast celebrating the Archangel Gabriel's message to the Virgin Mary and her faithful "yes" that changed the course of history.

On a lighter and more local note, we're happy to share some encouraging news from our little farmstead. Our chickens have really picked up the pace! Last month, they were laying around 8 eggs a day, but now they've nearly doubled their production—giving us up to 15 eggs daily. This is a wonderful improvement and a sign of their good health and the care they've been receiving. We're grateful for this small but meaningful blessing, and it's a joy to see the fruits of nature thriving right alongside our spiritual life.

STAFF HIGHLIGHT

By Anthony Londura, 11th grade

Tëтя Melania became a kindergarten teacher at Holy Trinity Private School because she loves working with kids and wants to help them grow in both faith and education. She enjoys teaching her students about God every day, something that isn't typically part of the curriculum in public schools.



Tëтя Melania has been teaching for four years and really loves finding new, creative ways to make learning fun for her students. Whether it's through games or hands-on activities, she's always trying to make the classroom an exciting place for her kids to learn. Her favorite part of working at HTPS is seeing her students grow, both as learners and as people, every day.

RIDDLE

By Anya Boru, 12th grade



First was the fruit, then the
trespass to earn; paradise lost,
humanity stern. What am I?

Answer: Garden of Eden

UNGRADED UPDATES

By Elizaveta Kutsev, 11th grade

This month in Ekaterina Fyodorovna's life science class, the ungraded students will be studying chicken anatomy. They will learn the proper way to butcher, clean, and prepare chickens according to traditional Christian methods. Earlier, they handmade noodles for chicken noodle soup and are now looking forward to serving the meal to the entire school.

The ungraded students had a very exciting field trip to the zoo. The Portland Zoo is a wonderful place, where the students had a lot of opportunities to learn about the animals. On their trip they got to see one of the elephants splashing and doing tricks in the pool. The carousel ride was unfortunately shut down, but they luckily let the students use their carousel tickets for the train. The ungraded students are very grateful for their 2025 field trip!

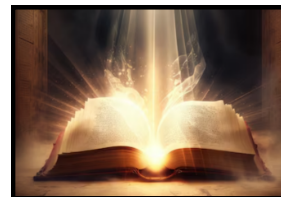


VERSE OF THE MONTH

By Antonina Krivoshein, 11th grade

2 Corinthians 5:17

*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he
is a new creation; old things have
passed away; behold, all things
have become new."*



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