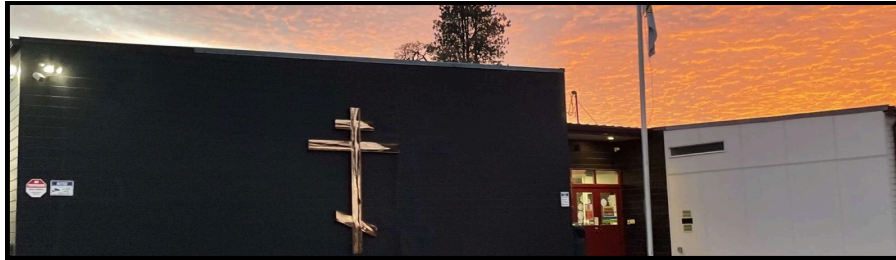


THE ТРОИЦА TIMES

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НИКОЛИН ДЕНЬ

*By Nikolai Pleshakov and Anya Boru,
11th and 12th grade*

On December 19th, we celebrate the праздник for Святитель Христов Никола (Saint Nicholas).

Multiple churches in our community honor this праздник as their храм; these churches generally serve an обед along with the church service.

Saint Nicholas was born in Patara, a city in the province of Lycia. Since he was born, he was strong in his faith and devoted to God. He lived a strict life, often fasting and in prayer, and would distance himself from vain friends and conversations. He was also well known for his generosity, always giving to those in need.

One specific example of his generosity was when he saved three girls from being sold into slavery. There was a man that couldn't marry off his three daughters because he was too poor to pay for their dowries. A dowry is a payment made to a future spouse when one marries into their family, used in ancient times. The girls' father was planning to just sell his daughters away. Никола came from a wealthy family, and secretly donated money to the man for him to pay the marriage dowries, thus preventing the girls from being sold.



*The name "Nicholas"
means "victor of nations."*

HTPS Bake Sale!!!

Get ready for a tasty treat and a chance to win big! Join us on Saturday, December 7th, at Holy Trinity Private School from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM for our Bake Sale Fundraiser. Indulge in delicious homemade goodies and enter our exciting raffles for a chance to win fantastic prizes.

	<p>Wellness Package 2 - 60 minute massage, 2 1-hour counterstrain therapy certificates, Skin care products, and more! 1,000 Tickets Available \$10/Ticket \$700 Value</p> <p><small>Must be over 18 years of age and physically in Oregon to purchase. Drawing will be held at 1pm December 21st, 2024 at Holy Trinity Private School.</small></p>
	<p>Fish Basket Raffle Caviar, Halibut Fillets, Salmon Fillets, Salted Lox, Canned Fish, House Made Hot Sauce, Sour Dough Loafs 1,000 Tickets Available \$10/Ticket \$550 Value</p> <p><small>Must be over 18 years of age and physically in Oregon to purchase. Drawing will be held at 1pm December 7th, 2024 at Holy Trinity Private School.</small></p>
	<p>50/50 Half the pot could be yours, and the other half will help fund the HTPS Tuition Offset Program. 1,000 Tickets Available \$10/Ticket Maximum Value : \$5,000</p> <p><small>Must be over 18 years of age and physically in Oregon to purchase. Drawing will be held at 1pm December 21st, 2024 at Holy Trinity Private School.</small></p>

New HTPS Merch!!!

Our latest HTPS collection is here! Stay cozy in premium hoodies, stylish zip-ups, and classic t-shirts, all designed to reflect your pride in our faith-filled community. Perfect for school events or everyday wear, these pieces let you shine with school pride and Christian values.

IMPORTANT DATES

By Alexander Kuznetsov, 11th grade

December 4	Введение Богородицы - No School
December 7	Bake Sale/Fish Raffle 9:30 - 12:30
December 13	Conferences No School (Gavriil's Memorial)
December 17	Bookmobile Day
December 19	Николин День-No School
December 20	Staff Professional Development Day No School
December 21	Bake Sale/Raffles 9:30 - 12:30

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

By Venedim Scherbakov, 12th grade

Katerina Kuzmin, a familiar face at our school, has returned not as a student, but as a Teacher's Assistant. After graduating, Katerina felt drawn back to the school because of its strong values, especially its focus on teaching about God. She shared that the supportive environment and the sense of community made her feel comfortable returning, as she already knew everyone and had a bit of nostalgia for her time here. When asked about her future career plans, Katerina said she's taking things one step at a time, adding that while she's not sure if teaching is her long-term goal, she's happy to see where the journey takes her. We're thrilled to have her back and look forward to seeing the impact she'll make in her new role!



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WORD OF THE MONTH

By Nikolai Pleshakov, 11th grade

ПРАВИЛО ВЕРЫ, И ОБРАЗЪ КРОТКОСТИ, ВОЗДЕРЖАНИЮ УЧИТЕЛЯ
ТАКИ ЧТО ГДЕ СТОИТ СВОЕЮ, ТАКЖЕ ВЕЩЕЮ ИСТИНУ.

As a **rule** of faith, an image of meekness and a teacher of temperance,
the Lord revealed thee to thy flock, in the truth of things.

(From the тропарь for Святитель Христов Никола)

Святитель Христов Никола was a “rule of faith;” he served as an example for how to live and lead as a faithful Christian.

ИМЕНИНЫ OF DECEMBER

By Antonina Krivoshein,
11th grade

December 3	Анны
December 5	Киликы
December 6	Але́ксандра
December 7	Екатери́ны
December 10	Гаври́ла
December 11	Стефа́на
December 12	Висари́йна
December 13	Андре́л
December 17	Ива́нна
December 19	Максима
December 26	Лукии
December 27	Каллини
December 28	Анфи́и
December 29	Софи́и
December 30	Азари́и
December 31	Зои

1ST GRADE UPDATES

By *Faina Molodih, 12th grade*

Тётя Ksenya's first grade class recently completed a project on the book *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* and created their own "scary crows."

She is also working to teach her students the story of Noah, emphasizing the importance of obeying the Lord and the power of forgiveness.

The students are learning to keep their hands and feet to themselves, promoting respect and self control.

Тётя Ksenya's favorite part of teaching is seeing how much love her students have for each other and for her.

However, the most challenging aspect of teaching first graders is managing whole-group instruction. It's a struggle at times, but she uses popsicle sticks to call on students and keep things organized.

SCHOLAR'S SPOTLIGHT

By *Ekatirina Secrist, 11th grade*

Alexandra Vshivkov, a student in Effimtia Reutov's 4th grade class, is a highly efficient student in all her subjects.

Тётя Effimtia states that Alexandra is respectful, responsible, and kind to everyone. She prioritizes her tasks without asking and is always willing to ask questions. Alexandra is very productive with her learning.

She also enjoys all of her subjects but likes math the most because she has fun with numbers. While math is her favorite, she still has challenges. However, she overcomes them none the less. Her favorite thing about school is all the learning experiences!



VERSE OF THE MONTH

By *Vivea Boianoff, 11th grade*

Romans 8:31

"...If God is for us, who can be against us?"

FEODORA'S CLASSROOM

By *Deonisy Tipikin, 11th grade*



For this month's issue Feodora, the choir teacher, was asked these questions.

She was questioned on what she would be teaching this month; she replied, "I will be teaching the ninth песня for Рождество Христово, some Величание, to memorize Таинство, and Подобаше."

Next the reporter asked her, "What do you expect your students to know so far?" Feodora replied, "I would like the students to learn to harmonize, the younger kids to know how to open a church book by themselves. I also want to do more cultural-related classes, and the older kids to be able to open up a book to whatever holyday is coming up next."

The last question she was asked was, "How do you expect your students to act in your classroom?" She answered by saying, "I want them to be calm, to listen, for them to be focused and pay attention, and be in prayer."



NOVEMBER MONTH RECAP

By Anthony Londura, 11th grade



In the November newsletter a new teacher, Tëтя Irina, was introduced. In November itself we finished the Butter Braids Pastry fundraiser and had an assembly for it; some randomly selected students got to pie teachers in the face! The students raised a grand total of \$6,204.80 Additionally, the school had a Spirit Week at the end of the month where students got to dress up in themes to show school spirit.



UNGRADED UPDATES

By Elizaveta Kutsev, 11th grade

The ungraded class has finally finished the chicken coop and moved the fledglings into their new home, which is located between mods 10 and 8. The students are also currently working on a chicken run so that the chicks will have enough space to grow and learn.



THE GERVAIS COUGARS

By Nikita Burkoff, 11th grade



The Gervais Cougars lost to the Oakland Oakers in the semi final. St.Paul won the state championship vs Oakland 28-20.

Date		Opponent	Score
9/5	vs	Nestucca	W 46-0
9/13	@	Corbett	W 54-7
9/20	vs	Umatilla	W 57-0
9/27	vs	Central Linn	W 63-0
10/4	@	Salem Academy	W 60-27
10/18	vs	Regis	W 64-0
10/25	@	Gaston	W 40-0
11/1	@	Colton	L 16-22
Playoffs			
11/8	vs	Lowell	W 50-14
11/15	vs	Stanfield	W 18-6
11/23	@	Oakland	L 14-28

RIDDLE

By Anya Boru, 12th grade

It was high in the sky, but also firmly on the Earth.

It brought cooperation for many, but confusion for all.

It was unmissable by the crowd, yet overlooked by the One.

It was the world's first true skyscraper, and also its last.

What is it?



Answer to riddle: Tower of Babel

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The Gervais Cougar football season is officially over, now the Gervais basketball season will begin.