

## Commemorated on March 22

The Third Sunday of Lent is that of the Veneration of the Cross. The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ's redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved. "He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Mt.10:38). For in the Cross of Christ Crucified lies both "the power of God and the wisdom of God" for those being saved (1 Cor.1:24)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
TOTAL BUDGET		
<u>YEARLY Needs</u>	<u>MONTHLY Needs</u>	<u>QUARTERLY Needs</u>
\$99,000	\$8,250	\$24,750
<u>ACTUAL YEARLY</u>	<u>ACTUAL MONTHLY COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>ACTUAL QUARTERLY</u>
1st. Qtr. \$29,846		\$29,846
2nd. Qtr. \$37,956	FEB 2009 \$8,110	\$ 8,110

### Holy Spirit Orthodox Church - Wantage, NJ

**Archpriest Samuel Kedala, Rector**

Joanne Patrick, Choir Director

#### Parish Council

Timothy Kachur, Sr. Warden

Mark Benda, Jr. Warden

Michael Olsen, Treasurer

Susan Matthews, Secretary

#### Council members

Edward Engelsman • Michael Chwan

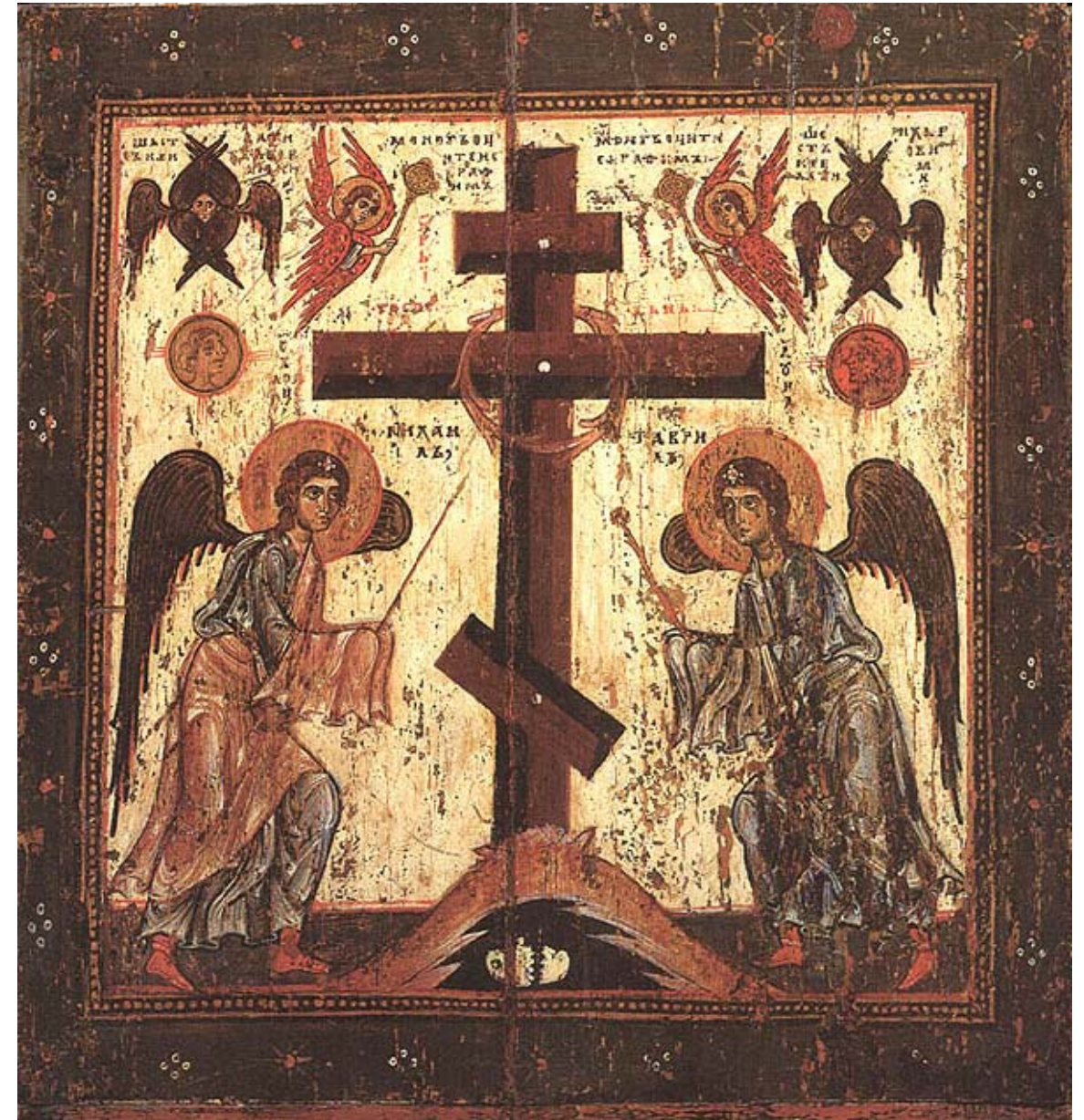
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Wantage, New Jersey

March 22, 2009



Sunday of the Holy Cross

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## Sunday, March 22, 2009 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

**TODAY..... Mission-Vespers 4:00 pm-Trenton, NJ**  
**Tuesday..... 7:00 pm - Vespers of the Annunciation**  
**Wed..... 9:00 am - Vesperal Divine Liturgy-Annunciation of the Holy Theotokos.**  
**Fri..... 7:00 PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**  
**Saturday..... 7:35 hours, 8am Memorial Divine Liturgy**  
**6:00 P.M. Vespers/Private Confessions**  
**Sunday..... 9:15 am Church School - 9:35 AM Hours, 10 AM Divine Liturgy**

**Today's commemorated feasts and saints... THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT — Tone 7. Veneration of the Holy Cross** Hieromartyr Basil of Ancyra (362-363). Martyr Drosida, daughter of Emperor Trajan (1st-2nd c.). Ven. Isaac, Founder of the Dalmatian Monastery at Constantinople (4th c.). Monk Martyr Euthymius of Prodromou (Mt. Athos—1814). Hieromartyr Basil of Ancyra (362-363). Martyr Drosida, daughter of Emperor Trajan (1st-2nd c.). Ven. Isaac, Founder of the Dalmatian Monastery at Constantinople (4th c.). Monk Martyr Euthymius of Prodromou (Mt. Athos—1814).

### Hebrews 4:14-5:6 (Epistle), Mark 8:34-9:1 (Gospel) BULLETIN

**Thank you to Alexandra Gutu** for her generous donation for the flowers for the Holy Cross which is in the center of the Church this morning. Thank you also to **Carol Benda** for her skill in placing/decorating the flowers on the Holy Cross... Many Years!!

**Thank you to John Clauson** for his generous donation to our Church for it's ongoing work. May our Lord repay abundantly.

**Thank you to Elena Pavel** for her work on repairing Father Samuel's Vestments. Many Years!

We need a still volunteer to be the **Sunshine Committee chairperson**. The person would be responsible for sending out cards or flowers to those who are ill or unable to attend Church. See Tim Kachur or any member of the parish council if you would like to volunteer.

**VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) PROGRAM:** Now through April 14, 2009 at locations throughout the County. Trained VITA volunteers offer FREE assistance with filing basic state and federal tax returns, Earned Income Tax Credit, and Homestead Rebates for those who earned \$50,000 or less in 2008, regardless of age. 973-579-0555 e-mail seniorservices@sussex.nj.us See Bulletin downstairs.

**Thank you to Maria Higginbotham and Matushka JoAnne** for cleaning our Church the past couple of weeks. May God repay.

**Thank you to Matushka JoAnne and Despena Eptamentis** who hosted the **Coffee Social** last week. **Olga Maio** will host this week. Next week the Coffee Social will be hosted by **Pighi Mardaloescu**. Check the **NEW Coffee Social Assignment Sheet** for your assigned Sunday. A new assignment sheet has been prepared. If you cannot make your date, please switch with someone who has a more convenient day for you. *You are not obligated* to participate. If you cannot participate see Matushka JoAnne.

**TODAY, March 22 – Lenten Mission Vespers** will be served at St. Vladimir Church in Trenton, NJ beginning at 4:00 PM. All are welcome to attend. The homilist will be Archpriest Stephen Siniari.

**Deanery Lenten service schedules** are posted in the church narthex and in the Parish Hall. The services are open for all to attend and are followed by fellowship and refreshments. Next Sunday's service will take place at the **Assumption Church, Clifton, NJ**. The homilist will be our **Metropolitan JONAH**. Please set some time apart next Sunday afternoon to meet and hear our new Metropolitan.

See **CAROL BENDA** to purchase 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 place a small donation in the basket at Coffee Social to help pay for the paper products.

Please **keep the following people in your prayers:** Catherine Schwed, Thelma Macheska, Alyssa Karakos, Mary Kwak, Corinne Matthews, child Nicholai, Dan Taylor, Stephen Kachur, Pighi Mardaloescu, Archimandrite Joachim (Parr), Frank Higginbotham, Joanne Patrick, Feodora Apanasow, Alexander, the infant Logan Eugene, Matushka Vera Yuschak, Jean Holowach, Louis Vagias, Mike Flood, child Ella Jane, Archpriest Joseph Chupeck, Ana Tienken, Mary Itzla, Linda Braxton, Galina Radechenko, Lynne Goodwin, Virginia Goodwin, John Kirpan, Doris Livanos, Renee Krukovsky and her soon to be born child, Inga Urotadze and her soon to be born child, Annie Kedala and her soon to be born child. Alberta Green, Father Nicholas Yuschak and Mary Bachik.

### Seven Day Vigil Candles

**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. If you would like something in the monthly bulletin have it e-mailed or brought to Fr. Samuel two weeks prior to the first of the month it is to be published in.