

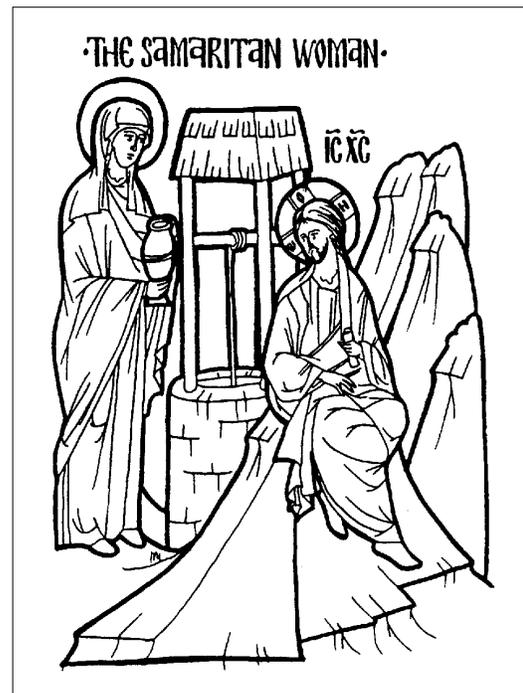
# Holy Trinity Cathedral

*A parish of the Orthodox Church In America*

*125 years of Orthodox Witness in Chicago*

*Go home to your people and report to  
them what great things the Lord has  
done for you, and how He had mercy  
on you!*

*Mark 5:19*



His Grace,  
the Right Reverend  
**PAUL**  
*Bishop of Chicago  
and the Midwest  
Rector*

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**Archpriest John S. Adamcio**  
*Dean*

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**Deacon Thomas Keith**

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**Dennis Pelak**  
*Parish Council President*

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**Reader Yury Orlov**  
*Director of Music Ministries*

## *Welcome to Holy Trinity Cathedral*

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Our parish was founded in 1892 as St. Vladimir's Russian Orthodox Church. Under the direction of *St. John (Kochurov) of Chicago*, and the noted architect Louis Sullivan, the present structure was built in 1903, renamed Holy Trinity, and designated cathedral in 1922 when His Grace, THEOPHILUS was consecrated as Bishop of Chicago.

A landmark in the City of Chicago, and listed on the National Register of Historic places, Holy Trinity continues her witness of Orthodox Christianity.

If you have any questions, are looking for a spiritual home, or wish to talk to Fr. John, please inquire at the Candle Desk.

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# Schedule of Services

**Sunday, May 14, 2017**

*Fifth Sunday after Pascha—Tone 3  
Sunday of the Samaritan Woman*

Martyr Isidore of Chios; Ven. Isidore, Fool-for-Christ, Wonderworker of Rostov; Martyr Maximus; Ven. Serapion of Egypt

9:10a Hours

9:30a Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

*Epistle:* Acts 11:19-26, 29-30

*Gospel:* John 4:5-42

***Christ Is Risen!  
Indeed He Is Risen!***

***Христѡсъ воскрѣсе!  
Воистину воскресе!***

**Saturday, May 20**

4:30p Vigil *Resurrection Gospel VIII*

**Sunday, May 21**

*Sixth Sunday after Pascha—Tone 4  
Sunday of the Man Born Blind*

Holy Equals-to-the-Apostles Emperor Constantine and his mother, Helen (Elena)

9:10a Hours

9:30a Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

*Epistle:* Acts 16:16-34

*Gospel:* John 9:1-38

## *We've Got Talent*

Sunday, May 28, the students of the Russian language and culture class will present a program of their talents and craft they have learned from Svetlana Sedelmaier.

These children have worked very hard and would like to share their talents with you.

Be sure to stay for their presentation.

## *Parish Council Meeting*

The next monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be held on *Monday, May 15, at 6:30p*

*All Parish Council members are urged to attend this meeting.*

*It is pointless for someone to say that he has faith in God if he does not have the works which go with faith. What benefit were their lamps to the foolish virgins who had no oil (Matt. 25:1-13), namely, deeds of love and compassion? What good did calling Abraham his father do to that rich man frying in the unquenchable flame for his pitilessness towards Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31)? What use was his apparent obedience to the invitation to that man who had failed to acquire through good works a garment fitting for the divine wedding and the bridechamber of immortality? He was invited and approached because he clearly believed, and he sat down alongside those holy guests, but when he was convicted and put to shame for being clothed in depraved habits and deeds, he was mercilessly bound hand and foot, and cast into hellfire, where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth (Matt. 22:11-14). St Gregory Palamas*

1894

*Friday, May 11*

8:00a Matins served by Fr. Ambrose; A. Kapustin, reader, who spoke about the life of the Apostle James (of Zebedee), his good works in bringing the Good News of Christ's teaching. 20 people in attendance.

*Saturday, May 12*

10:00a Liturgy served by Fr. Ambrose; A. Kapustin, reader. 75 people attended.

*Sunday, May 13*

*Sunday of the Samaritan Woman*

10:00a Obednitsa sung by A. Kapustin. He also gave a sermon about the Samaritan Woman

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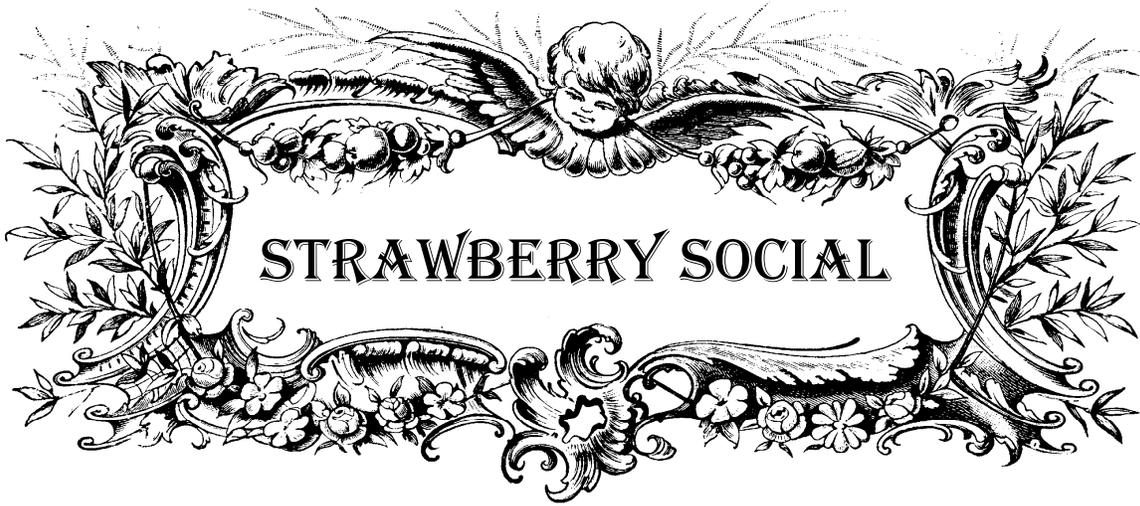
### *Holy Mother Isidora*

On May 10 the Church honors the Holy Mother Isidora, who lived in the sixth century.

Isidora spent most of her life in the monastery of Tabenna in Egypt. She chose to serve God in an extreme way, as a fool for Christ, living in complete self-denial and base servitude. In this way Isidora, like others who chose this way, made sure she would not be praised for her virtues, her constant prayer, or her service to God. When she ate thrown-away scraps and drank used dishwater, others treated her with contempt rather than honor. When she took on the

most menial and unpleasant tasks she wasn't thanked; others considered that such an odd person might be expected to demean herself with those jobs.

A monk named Pitirim was told about Isidora in a blunt way. An angel directed him to find her, comparing her to Pitirim himself: "She serves others and bears their contempt every day. Her heart and thoughts are always with God. You have the ease of solitude with nobody to disturb you, yet your thoughts and your heart are constantly distracted."



*Sts. Martha and Mary Sisterhood  
Annual Strawberry Social*

Next Sunday, May 21, the Sisterhood will sponsor their annual Strawberry Social.

Delicious strawberry foods will be served in an atmosphere of joy, fun, and friendship.

Be sure to stay and enjoy the food and the day!



Pitirim found Isidora, bowed before her, and revealed her holiness to the other nuns. But she fled from their praise, and they never saw her again.

A recent movie, “Cinderella, directed by Kenneth Branagh, has a few interesting parallels to this saint's life. The young heroine, Ella, loses the parents with whom she shared a deep love and a happy life. Her dying mother gives her a standard to live by: “Have courage and be kind.”

When her father remarries and then dies, Ella honors her mother’s words, rather in the same way that saints live in a way that honors the commands of Christ. She cheerfully does the chores forced on her by a cruel stepmother and her daughters, who contemptuously call her Cinderella because she is constantly dirtied by ashes and soot. She doesn't seek revenge against their meanness, but takes comfort in the animals whose trusting companionship she wins, again like some well-known saints.

The patience to endure unjust suffering in life takes courage,

even if some critics of the movie have wrongly said that this Cinderella is weak because she doesn’t stand up to her stepmother. But the movie is realistic about how hard it is to maintain this courage. At one point, when her harsh life has become unbearable,

she rides away on a horse to escape. She meets a young huntsman named Kit, not knowing that he is actually the prince who will change her life. It's noteworthy that she first meets him not in a dazzling ballgown, as in the animated 1950’s Disney version, but in her servant's clothes. He falls in love with a

lowly servant, just as Christ loves us in our lowly sinfulness.

Near the end of the movie, Cinderella confronts her stepmother, not to gloat in triumph at having won the prince's love, but to forgive this woman who has caused her such suffering. She knows that forgiveness is another act of courage and kindness—and of true strength.



*Holy Trinity Cathedral's Quasquicentennial*  
*125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
*June 11, 2017*

Please be sure to keep Sunday, June 11 open as Holy Trinity Cathedral will celebrate its *quasquicentennial* (the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding).

This is a very important event not only in the life of the Cathedral, but for Orthodox Faith in Chicagoland as Holy Trinity was the first Orthodox parish to be founded here.

There are many events being planned, so please be sure to watch for future announcements. Make your reservations for the anniversary dinner as early as you can, and support the work of the Anniversary Committee.

***Digital Scrapbook***

In order to fully appreciate our history, we are in the process of compiling a "digital scrapbook" of photographs.

If you have old pictures that you would like to share, please contact either Mrs. Margo Pelak, Matushka Melania, or Athanasia Lardin to have them included.

*Special note:* If you want your photos to be returned to you, please inform them and your photos will be digitally copied and returned to you.

***Memorabilia***

If we have enough items, a Memorabilia Table is being planned. Look around for old items (anniversary books, Sisterhood or Brotherhood ribbons, etc.) that you find interesting. The table will be set up for inspection during the dinner. If you have something you would like to share or contribute - Please bring to Coffee Hour, having it labeled with your name (if you would like it returned). Please contact Sue Miller 847-204-1736 or Kim Powers 773-294-6234 for more info.

***Anniversary Banquet***

Be sure to make your plans to attend the banquet to be held at the Carlisle Banquet Hall.

Banquet and raffle tickets will be available today at the Coffee Hour. Please get your tickets, reservations, and seating requests in as early as possible.

Please continue to pray for, and work for, Holy Trinity!

## *Matching Grant*

An anonymous donor has offered Holy Trinity a matching gift. This donor will match all contributions made to the Building and Restoration fund from Jan 1 to December 1, 2017 dollar for dollar (up to \$50,000). The matching dollars will go to the General Operating fund. This matching gift is an excellent opportunity for the cathedral to build back our B&R funds and at the same time help fund the general operating expenses of the cathedral.

Please consider making a special contribution to the B&R Fund so we can meet this matching gift goal. Mark on your checks B&R Fund or use the special envelopes we have at the candle desk to make your donations to the B&R Fund. This special donation should not reduce your normal weekly giving or annual pledge amount.

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