

Feast Day of the Holy Trinity Parish in Oxnard, California

ON PENTECOST, 2010, His Eminence, Archbishop Chrysostomos and His Grace, Bishop Auxentios, as well as Archimandrite Akakios and Hierodeacon Nectarios, all from the Saint Gregory Palamas Monastery in Etna, California, visited the Holy Trinity Church in Oxnard, California, where they celebrated the parish Feast Day Liturgy with its Rector, Protopresbyter Dr. James Thornton, and Deacon Father George Skvor, visiting from the Church of Saint Seraphim of Sarov and Saint John of Kronstadt in San Diego, California, with several members of the San Diego parish. The Liturgy, chanted in several languages—though primarily in Slavonic, Greek, and English—was graced by the voices of the choir of the Convent of Saint Elizabeth, which made the trip from Etna to help contribute to the feast. The Divine Liturgy was followed by a beautiful meal hosted by the parish sisterhood. The parish Warden and his wife also treated the visiting Hierarchs to a memorable meal on the evening of the Feast Day. As always, the atmosphere at the celebration was one of pan-Orthodox unity, love, and spiritual joy. All present felt the tangible effects of the spirit of brotherhood. (*See below*). □

