

2018 True Parents' Wedding Anniversary Fishing Tournament on Hudson River

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The True Parents' 58th Holy Wedding Anniversary Fishing Tournament has been taking place since May 5 and will continue until May 11. The tournament will be held for seven days on Hudson River and adjacent bays in NY and NJ area. We welcome individuals and groups from churches, departments, families and friends.

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Day 1

31 people participated in the first day of the fishing tournament. The day was very windy, with captains researching all over the bay for good fishing spots. There were five boats of eager fishermen, many who were going stripe bass fishing for the first time. Overall, the day was challenging, but together, 3 keepers (over 28 inches long) were caught.

Day 2

On the second day, 22 people participated. The weather was cold and it was another difficult day. The participants used 4 boats, catching 1 fish over 28 inches throughout the day. Although the team saw fish through the fishfinder, they didn't bite.

Day 3

On the third day of the tournament, 10 people participated. They used two boats and caught two keepers. The weather was better than the previous two days. Among the participants included Bishop Jesse and Rev. Tanya Edwards.

Day 4

After three consecutive days of fishing under difficult conditions, the 14 participants on the fourth day of the tournament were finally able to catch many keepers. Using three boats, the participants caught 12 keepers by the end of the day.

Day 5

11 people participated in the fifth day of the tournament. They used two boats and caught four keepers. In the morning, there was quite a bit of fog, while in the afternoon, the weather became windy. Five

Japanese students who are on a pilgrimage to America joined the tournament. Takemasa Egami, one of the Japanese visitors, was the first to catch a keeper for the day.

Leaderboard – 2018

<i>(as of May 10)</i>				
Ranking	Name	Length	Weight	Date Caught
1	John Hessell	41.5"	26.85lbs	May 8
2	Miguel Consoro	38.25"	24.66lbs	May 8
3	Adam Beaudoin	37.25"	19.46	May 9
4	Elissa MacMahon	37"	17.81lbs	May 9
5	Jin Hyung Eu	35.5"	15.38lbs	May 8
6	Markus Karr	34.5"	15.15.74lbs	May 8
7	Honestalio Pimentel	33.5"	13.8lbs	May 8
8	Michael Alvarez	33.5"	13.51lbs	May 6
9	Jesse Edwards	33.25"	12.34	May 7
10	Jeff	32.5"	14.99lbs	May 8
11	Sean Corona	31.25"	10.33lbs	May 9
12	Ervin Doci	31"	11.26lbs	May 8
13	Bruce Grodner	30"	9.10lbs	May 7
14	Luis Araujo	29.5"	8.79lbs	May 8
15	Adam Beaudoin	29"	8.20lbs	May 9
16	Takemasa Egami	28.5"	7.84lbs	May 9





The 2018 Tournament is Here!

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The First Annual "True Parents' Holy Wedding Anniversary Fishing Tournament" was established by True Parents in April of 2000 on the Hudson River and in August of 2000 in Alaska as international tournaments to be held each year in America.

The fishing tournament is a church event for the members of the Family Federation for a Heavenly USA and their families and guests.

WHEN & WHERE

Fishing Period: Saturday May 5, 6:00am EST to Friday May 11, 9:00pm EST (7 Days)

Fishing Area: From Half Moon Bay to New York lower bay including Raritan Bay.

Elco Marina, 50 Marine Dr., Bayonne, NJ 07002

Be at the docks at 7:30am sharp

AWARD CEREMONY and LUNCHEON

Date: Sat. May 12, 2018

Time: 12:00pm ~ 2:30pm EST

Fee: \$10 per person for tournament participants; \$20 each for others

Place: Clifton Family Church

78 DeMott Ave

Clifton, NJ 07011

Limited seating; make your reservations online.

TOURNAMENT FEE

\$40 per participant, including children.

Participants can fish as often as they want during the tournament period with the one-time entry fee.

PRIZES

FIRST PRIZE: \$3000 and trophy

SECOND PRIZE: \$1000 and trophy

THIRD PRIZE: fishing rod, reel and trophy

FOURTH PRIZE: fishing rod, reel and trophy

FIFTH PRIZE: fishing rod, reel and trophy

Note: If a winning striped bass is under 38", half cash prize and trophy awarded.

SPECIES: Striped Bass

MEASUREMENT: The winning fish is the largest by length. If two or more fish are the same length, the heaviest fish is the winner.

If the winning fish is under 38", winner is awarded half of the cash prize + trophy

BOATING

Fishing is available with a qualified captain aboard an Ocean Church vessel for the following fee:

Adult: \$80 per person for one day fishing (6 hrs). Includes fishing pole, bait, and tackle rental.

Child (12 and under): \$60 per person per day (6 hrs).

Each participant pays a boating fee separately to a boat captain if he or she fishes on a boat.

To reserve your spot, please make a reservation by contacting Captain Takahashi at:

Email: ktaka10591@gmail.com, or *Phone:* 914-629-7660

You may want to bring: food, drink, rain gear (if weather looks bad), medication (if necessary), and camera.

It is colder on water than on land, so we recommend bringing extra clothes.

Boat location: Elco Marina, 163 Avenue A, Bayonne, NJ 07002

[See a picture and map here.](#)

REGISTRATION

[Online registration](#)

INQUIRIES

Captain Takahashi: ktaka10591@gmail.com or 914-629-7660

NYS & NJS Fishing License

All participants must acquire both a New York State Recreational Marine Fishing License and a New Jersey State Recreational Marine Fishing License. (Both are free of charge.)

- [The New York State Saltwater Fishing Registry](#) The registration process is cumbersome. In the process of registration, there is a page to select a type of license. Please choose "Marine Fishing" — there is no fee for a recreational saltwater fishing license for migratory fish (striped bass and others). Do not select other licenses which require fees.
- [The New Jersey Saltwater Recreational Registry Program](#)

No one will be allowed to fish aboard an Ocean Church vessel without these licenses. No exceptions!