

**Bulletin sponsors this week are for:****The health of :**

**Fr. Dn Edward** and **Mat. Holly** on their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Linda** and **Richard** on their Anniversary.

**Amy Schneider** on her birthday, offered by her parents, Andrew & Maribeth

**The memory of:**

Our mother, **Anne**, offered by Linda and Richard.

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**Romans 2:10-16** (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

**Hebrews 11:33-12:2** (All Saints)

**Readings: Matthew 4:18-23** (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

**Matthew 4:25-5:12** (All Saints)

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**Brethren**, glory and honor and peace for every one who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

**At that time**, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

**Sunday Services:**

<b>Hours - 9:40 AM</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM</b>
<b>General Confession – 9:45 AM</b> on the first Sunday of each month	
<b>Private Confession -</b> by appointment, contact Fr Matthew	
<b>Pannikhidas –</b> after Divine Liturgy 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month	

**Coffee hour - after Divine Liturgy.**

**We would like to welcome all parish visitors and invite you to join us after the Liturgy, downstairs, for Coffee hour.**

**Sunday School has ended for the summer.****Announcements:**

- **Archbishop Michael will be visiting our parish on Sunday, July 28.**  
Please invite your family and friends to welcome our Archbishop that day! The Sisterhood will be sponsoring a luncheon to honor His Eminence. The cost of the luncheon will be \$10 per adult (13 years and up). Tickets are now available for purchase, please see Maribeth Romanofsky. A sign-up sheet for food donations for the luncheon is posted in the community room.

**Reminders:**

- The **Sisterhood's food drive** is ongoing. Donation bins are located both downstairs and in the back of the church. Please be generous. Thank you!
- Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers. And please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East.
- Please consider mailing your weekly donation to our treasurer:  
Church of the Mother of God, c/o Holly Dawson, treasurer,  
111 Main Ave, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234  
Thank you to everyone who has been sending in their donations. (There is also a donation basket at the candle stand. Or a **Venmo account** can be used for donations to our parish. It is at <https://venmo.com/u/Hala-Dawson> )
- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, should be **submitted by email to: [Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org](mailto:Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org)**
- **The Grey Book Step Meeting Group** of Narcotics Anonymous meets every Tuesday from 7-8:00 pm downstairs in the community room.
- **The Living Clean Group** of Narcotics Anonymous meets every Friday from 8-9:15 pm downstairs in the community room.

**Synaxis of the Saints of North America:**

On the second Sunday after Pentecost, each local Orthodox Church commemorates all the saints, known and unknown, who have shone forth in its territory. Accordingly, the Orthodox Church in America remembers the saints of North America on this day.

Saints of all times, and in every country are seen as the fulfillment of God's promise to redeem fallen humanity. Their example encourages us to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily besets us" and to "run with patience the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1). The saints of North America also teach us how we should live, and what we must expect to endure as Christians.

Although it is a relatively young church, the Orthodox Church in America has produced saints in nearly all of the six major categories of saints: Apostles (and Equals of the Apostles); Martyrs (and Confessors); Prophets; Hierarchs; Monastic Saints; and the Righteous. Prophets, of course, lived in Old Testament times and predicted the coming of Christ.

**St. Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of All America**

**St. Tikhon of Moscow, Patriarch of Moscow and Apostle to America**

**St. Innocent of Alaska, Equal to the Apostles and Enlightener of North America**

**St. Raphael, Bishop of Brooklyn**

**St. Alexis Toth, Confessor & Defender of Orthodoxy in America**

**St. Jacob, Enlightener of the Native Peoples of Alaska**

**St. John Kochurov, Missionary to America and First Hieromartyr under the Bolshevik Yoke**

**St. Alexander Hotovitzky, New Hieromartyr of Russia and Missionary to America**

**St. Juvenal of Alaska, the Protomartyr of America**

**Martyr Peter the Aleut of Alaska, America, and San Francisco**

**St. John of San Francisco and Shanghai [Maximovitch]**

**St. Barnabas the New Confessor (Varnava Nastić)**

**St. Nicholas of South Canaan (PA) St. Brendan the Navigator**

**St. Nicholas (Velimirović) of Žižica St. Seraphim of Uglich**

**St. Anatole (Kamensky) of Irkutsk New Martyr Archpriest Basil [Vasily Martysz]**

In addition to the saints listed above, we also honor those saints who are known only to God, and have not been recognized officially by the Church. As we remember these saints, let us also remember that we too are called by God to a life of holiness.

**To read about the saints remembered today, see:**

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/07/07>

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**and the website of the Orthodox Church in America: [www.oca.org/](http://www.oca.org/)**

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**Glory to  
Jesus Christ**

**Glory  
forever**

Synaxis of the Saints of North America

*As the bountiful harvest of Your sowing of salvation,  
the lands of North America offer to You, O Lord, all the saints who have shone in them.  
By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace  
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One.*

Tone 8—Troparion

**July 7, 2024**

**Today the Church remembers:**

**All Saints of America (All Saints of Russia)** • Ven. Thomas of Mount Maleos (10<sup>th</sup> c.) • Ven. Acacius of Sinai, who is mentioned in The Ladder (6<sup>th</sup> c.) • Ven. Eudoxia, in monasticism Euphrosyne, Grand Duchess of Moscow (1407) • Martyrs Peregrinus, Lucian, Ompeius, Hesychius, Papius, Saturninus, and Germanus, of Dyrrachium in Macedonia (2<sup>nd</sup> c.) • Martyr Evangelus, Bishop of Tomi (Constanța) in Romania (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> c.) • Martyr Cyriaca of Nicomedia (4<sup>th</sup> c.) • Saint Prosper of Aquitaine (4<sup>th</sup> c.)

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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