

Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:**For the health of:**

Dougie III on his 2nd birthday, offered by the Inferrera family.
Aris, Svetlana, Svetlana, and Elizabet, offered by Svetlana

For the memory of:

Sister-in-law **Carol**, offered by Linda and Richard Dantine

Readings:

I Corinthians 1:10-17 (*8th Sunday after Pentecost*)

Matthew 14:14-22 (*8th Sunday after Pentecost*)

Brethren, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispos and Gaius; lest anyone should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

At that time, Jesus saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

Saturday service:

Vespers – 6:30 PM

(Private Confession – After Vespers by appointment.)

Sunday service:

Hours - 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM

(General Confession – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month)

(Pannikhidas – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month)

Church School has ended for the school year.

Have a safe and blessed summer!

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

Announcements:

- On **Wednesday evening, August 14, 2019 at 6:30pm**, we will celebrate a Vespers Liturgy for the **Dormition ("Falling Asleep") of our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.**
- **Memorial Plaque:** The \$25.00 donation for the submission of names has been extended until **September 1, 2019.** (Then it will return to \$100 per name.) There is now a sheet at the candle stand to submit names.
- The parish is happy to announce that His Grace, **Archbishop Michael will visit our parish Saturday, September 28th and Sunday September 29th, 2019.** Please make plans to attend Vespers on Saturday (6:30 pm) and Divine Liturgy on Sunday. During the Sunday Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, Archbishop Michael will ordain Subdeacon Edward Dawson to the Holy Diaconate. More information is forthcoming.

Special Announcements:

- There will be a **Paint and Sip Party** on Thursday, August 22nd, in the church hall. All proceeds from this event benefit the Sisterhood. It is hosted by Susan Coll-Guedes. [See our Facebook page for more information.](#)

Reminders:

- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, can be submitted by E-Mail to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org Upcoming bulletins can also be sponsored by using the signup sheet at the candle stand. **If using the signup sheet, please give two weeks' notice.**
- The Living Clean Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets every Friday from 8-9:15 pm downstairs in the community room.
- The Grey Book Step Meeting Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets every Tuesday from 7-8:00 pm downstairs in the community room.

Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus of Catania

The Martyr Archdeacon Euplus suffered in the year 304 under the emperors Diocletian (284-305) and Maximian (305-311). He served in the Sicilian city of Catania. Always carrying the Gospel with him, Saint Euplus preached constantly to the pagans about Christ.

Once, while he read and explained the Gospel to the gathered crowd, they arrested him and took him to the governor of the city, Calvisianus. Saint Euplus confessed himself a Christian and denounced the impiety of idol-worship. For this they sentenced him to torture.

They threw the injured saint into prison, where he remained in prayer for seven days. The Lord made a spring of water flow into the prison for the martyr to quench his thirst. Brought to trial a second time, strengthened and rejoicing, he again confessed his faith in Christ and denounced the torturer for spilling the blood of innocent Christians.

The judge commanded that the saint's ears be torn off, and that he be beheaded. When they led the saint to execution, they hung the Gospel around his neck. Having asked time for prayer, the archdeacon began to read and explain the Gospel to the people, and many of the pagans believed in Christ. The soldiers beheaded the saint with a sword.

His holy relics are in the village of Vico della Batonia, near Naples

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://oca.org/saints/lives/2019/8/11>

*When the love of Christ was your only defense,
You stood in the midst of your fight and said:
I endure this struggle willingly and with confidence!
You rejoiced, O Euplus, to offer your head to the sword
and so complete your course!*

Kontakion (Martyr Euplus) – Tone 1

*On the mountain You were transfigured, O Christ God,
and Your Disciples beheld Your glory as far as they could see it;
so that when they would behold You crucified,
they would understand that Your suffering was voluntary,
and would proclaim to the world
that You are truly the Radiance of the Father.*

Kontakion (Transfiguration) - Tone 7

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**Glory to Jesus
Christ**

**Glory
Forever**

**Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus
of Catania**

*Your holy martyr, Euplus O Lord,
through his sufferings has received an incorruptible from You, our God.
For having Your strength, he laid low his adversaries,
and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.
Through his intercessions, save our souls!*

Troparion Martyr (Euplus) – Tone 4

Today the Church remembers:

Afterfeast of the Transfiguration • Holy Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus (Euplius) of Catania (304) • Martyrs Basil and Theodore of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—1098) • St. Theodosius (Prince Theodore of Ostrog) of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—1438) • Virgin Martyr Susanna and those with her: Martyrs Gaius, Pope of Rome, Presbyter Gabinus, his brother and the father of Susanna, Maximus, Claudius, and his wife Praepedigna and their sons Alexander and Cutias (295-296) • St. Niphon, Patriarch of Constantinople (Mt. Athos—1515)

August 11, 2019

8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Dormition Fast

Tone 7 of the Octoechos