

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

Bob Henry on his birthday, offered by his loving wife, Joan.

Readings: **I Corinthians 3:9-17** (9th Sunday after Pentecost)
Matthew 14:22-34 (9th Sunday after Pentecost)

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder. I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw – each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying "Take heart, it is I; have no fear."

And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they entered the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

Sunday Services:

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

Sunday school classes will begin again on September 15th.
 New student registration forms for Sunday school are available at the candle stand.
 (For new students only)

Announcements:

- Fr. Matthew is away today, and **Fr. Dennis Rhodes** will be serving in his place. Welcome to our parish, Fr. Dennis!
- We would thank **Father Bohdan and Matushka Irina Chaikivskyi** for being with us last Sunday.

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**
- **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.

Return of the Relics of the Apostle Bartholomew from Anastasiopolis to Lipari:

*You appeared as a great sun to the world with miracles and rays of teaching.
You guide to the light all who venerate you,
O Apostle of the Lord, Bartholomew.*

Kontakion – Tone 4

Apostle Titus of the Seventy and Bishop of Crete:

*Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Titus,
entreat the merciful God,
to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.*

Troparion – Tone 3

*Titus, worthy of all praise and preacher of Christ's mysteries,
you were Paul's companion, and with him taught us the doctrine of God.
Therefore we cry out to you:
Never cease to intercede for the sake of us all!*

Kontakion – Tone 2

To read about the saints remembered today, see:
<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/08/25>

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**Glory to
Jesus Christ**

**Glory
forever**

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Tone 3 – Troparion

August 25, 2024

Today the Church remembers:

Return of the Relics of the Apostle Bartholomew from Anastasiopolis to Lipari (6th c.) • Holy Apostle Titus of the Seventy, Bishop of Crete (1st c.) • Ss. Barse and Eulogius, Bishops of Edessa, and St. Protogenes, Bishop of Carrhæ, Confessors (4th c.) • St. Menas, Patriarch of Constantinople (536-552)

9th Sunday after Pentecost

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