

**Bulletin sponsor this week is for the:****Health of:**

My Godson, **Mark Dantine**, on his birthday, offered with love by Tammy.

**Readings:**

**I Corinthians 1:10-17** (8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

**II Peter 1:10-19** (Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ)

**Matthew 14:14-22** (8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

**Matthew 17:1-9** (Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ)

**Brethren**, be more zealous to confirm your call and election, for if you do this you will never fall; so there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Therefore I intend always to remind you of these things, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

**At that time**, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led him up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."

**Sunday Services:**

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

Mask wearing in church is optional for vaccinated persons.  
Those who are unvaccinated should continue to mask up.  
Thank you for caring about your fellow parishioners!

**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.**

**Church School is presently on summer hiatus.****Announcements:**

- We will be celebrating the Holy Day of the Transfiguration today. We will be blessing fruit at today's service.
- We will be celebrating the Holy Day of the Dormition next Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be blessing flowers and seeds at that time.
- **Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers.**
- Donations are being accepted for an outdoor chairlift to be used on our steps.
- The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Reminders:**

- 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.
- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, should be **submitted by email to: [Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org](mailto:Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org)** (there is no longer a sign up sheet at the candle stand).
- 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.

**Afterfeast of the Transfiguration of our Lord:**

The Lord had begun warning his disciples about the dangers they would face, and also about His Passion and death. He also told them that they would be persecuted by pagans and enemies of the Gospel. He explained that these things pertain to the present life, but what is essential is eternal life. Desiring to give His disciples a foretaste of eternal life, he took three of them, Peter, James and John, and brought them up to Mount Tabor.

There He was transfigured before them and His face shone like light. Moses and Elias appeared and spoke with Jesus. The Lord took only those disciples because they were more pre-eminent than the others. Peter was chosen because he loved Christ very much, John because he also loved Christ, and James because he was able to drink the cup that Christ drank <sup>(Matthew 20:23)</sup>. The Lord showed them Moses and Elias in order to correct their erroneous ideas of who He was, as though He were Saint John the Baptist, or some great prophet. That is why He revealed His glory to them 'as far as they could bear it.' All this took place during the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ on Mount Tabor.

*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 – Tone 7

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/07/07>

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Afterfeast of the Transfiguration of our  
Lord

**Glory to  
Jesus Christ**

**Glory  
forever**

*You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God,  
revealing Your glory to Your disciples as far as they could bear it.  
Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners,  
through the prayers of the Theotokos.  
O Giver of Light, glory to You!*

Troparion – Tone 7

**August 7, 2022****Today the Church remembers:**

**Afterfeast of the Transfiguration** • Holy Martyr Mercurius of Smolensk (13th c.) • Martyr Dometius of Persia and two disciples (363) • Finding of the Relics of St. Mitrophanes, first Bishop of Voronezh (1832) • Ven. Pimen (Pōemen) the Much-ailing, of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—1110) • Ven. Pimen, Faster, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves— 13th-14th c.) • St. Mercurius, Bishop of Smolensk (Kiev Caves—Near Caves—1239) • Martyrs Marinus the soldier and Asterius the Senator, at Caesarea in Palestine (260) • Ven. Hor (Horus) of the Thebaïd (Egypt—ca. 390) • Virgin Potamia the Wonderworker. Ven. Dometius of Philotheou, Mt. Athos (16th c.) • The “VALAAM” Icon of the Mother of God (1897)

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.

Tone 7 of the Octoechos.

**Dormition Fast**