

Today's Bulletin Sponsor is:**For the health of:**

The **Guedes Family**, and **Alfredo and Eli Guedes**.

All of our Sunday School Students on St. Nicholas Day, requested by their

Sunday School teachers: Miss Maribeth, Miss Linda and M. Barbara

Readings: **Ephesians 5:9-19** (*26th Sunday after Pentecost*)

Hebrews 13:17-21 (*Saint Nicholas*)

Luke 17:12-19 (*12th Sunday of Luke*) *

Luke 6:17-23 (*Saint Nicholas*)

BRETHREN, the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

* The 11th Sunday of Luke is always read 2 Sundays before the Nativity, and that Sunday's reading from Luke is read on the 11th Sunday of Luke.

Sunday service:

Hours - 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, in person services in our parish have been cut back for now. Fr Matthew has sent out reader's services via email each week to follow at home. In addition, the diocesan web page nynjoca.org has online services for viewing.

Sunday services are celebrated with only the allowed number of people in attendance. Please contact Fr Matthew if you wish to attend as part of the restricted number. (No one else should attend in person.)

Church School

Church School is temporarily not meeting.

We are praying for all of our parishioners and their families. Let's keep praying for each other and remember to reach out and keep in touch.

Announcement:

- There will be a meeting of the parish council next Sunday, December 13, after Divine Liturgy in the church.
- As we are asked to refrain from public gatherings, **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
 The parish still needs to pay its bills. (Our monthly revenue has recently dropped below our monthly expenditures.)
Thank you to everyone who has been sending in their donations.

Reminders:

- Because of the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) pandemic, SERVICE and EVENT info, here and on our web site's calendar, may change.
- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, can be submitted by email to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org (there is no longer a sign up sheet at the candle stand).
- We still need sponsors for the bulletin each week as they go out via e-mail to many people. Send your donation to the treasurer in time to get it into the bulletin.
- 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.

Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia:

*You revealed yourself, O saint, in Myra as a priest,
for you fulfilled the Gospel of Christ
by giving up your soul for your people,
and saving the innocent from death.*

Therefore you are blessed as one become wise in the grace of God.

Kontakion – Tone3

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2020/12/06>

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**Glory to Jesus
Christ**

**Glory
Forever**

Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker,
Archbishop of Myra in Lycia

*In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith,
an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence;
your humility exalted you;
your poverty enriched you.
Hierarch Father Nicholas,
entreat Christ our God that our souls may be saved.*

Troparion – Tone 4

Today the Church remembers:

St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia (ca. 345)

- St Maximus (1280).

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26th SUNDAY AFTER ENTECOST

11th Sunday of Luke

Tone 1 of the Octoechos

Nativity Fast