Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:

For Health of:

Tamara Zimmerman on her birthday, offered by her family with love.

Richard Dantinne Jr. on his birthday, offered by his family with love.

Alexander Stefy on his 21st birthday, offered by his Grandmother Lore Stefy.

Readings:

- I Timothy 1:15-17
- Luke 18:18-27

BRETHREN, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

At that time a ruler asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother." And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

Saturday service: Vespers – 6:30 PM

Sunday service:

Hours – 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM

Private Confession – Half hour before any service.

See Fr Matthew for other times.

General Confession – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month **Pannikhidas** – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month

Coffee hour – after Liturgy, downstairs in the Community Room
Church School - Sunday 9:30 AM (no classes 1st Sunday of each month)
We would like to welcome all parish visitors and invite you to join us
after the Liturgy for Coffee hour.

Announcements:

- There will be a Pannikhida today for Maria and Eugene, mother and brother of Liz Pastore.
- **Home Blessings** There will be a sign-up sheet at the candle stand to inform Father if you wish to have your home blessed this year.
- The next **meeting of parish council** will be on Sunday, January 25th, after coffee hour.
- Our Annual Parish Meeting of the Parishioners will be Sunday February 8, 2015 right after coffee hour. The annual meeting of the parishioners is for the election of the Parish Council and its officers, reports by the Rector and Council members, and for other business. Please contact Trudy Ellmore, the Council President, if you have an item that you want included on the agenda or if you plan to nominate someone for a Parish Council position.
- The next meeting of the Sisterhood of the Protection of the Theotokos will be on Sunday, February 1st, after coffee hour. Also in February, the Sisterhood is sponsoring two pot luck lunches, one on Meatfare Sunday, Feb. 15, and one on Cheesefare Sunday, Feb. 22. More information will be forthcoming.
- Our Orthodox Church Calendar for 2015 is available at the candle stand. It is the St. Tikhon's Lectionary Wall Calendar that contains Icons of feast days. It also contains the readings for the year along with feast and fast days.

Special Announcements:

- **Dues and assessments** are now being collected for the year 2015. Total Parish Membership Fee is \$200. Partial payments are gladly accepted. Please indicate on the check that it is to be applied to Membership.
- Any Announcements for the bulletin can be submitted by E-Mail to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org

Saints Athanasius and Cyril were Archbishops of Alexandria:

These wise teachers of truth and defenders of Christ's Church share a joint Feast in recognition of their dogmatic writings which affirm the truth of the Orthodox Faith, correctly interpret the Holy Scripture, and censure the delusions of the heretics.

St Athanasius took part in the First Ecumenical Council when he was still a deacon. He surpassed everyone there in his zeal to uphold the teaching that Christ is consubstantial (homoousios) with the Father, and not merely a creature, as the Arians proclaimed.

This radiant beacon of Orthodoxy spent most of his life in exile from his See, because of the plotting of his enemies. He returned to his flock as he was approaching the end of his life. Like an evening star, he illumined the Orthodox faithful with his words for a little while, then reposed in 373. He is also commemorated on May 2 (the transfer of his holy relics).

St Cyril was the nephew of Patriarch Theophilus of Alexandria, who educated him from his youth. He succeeded to his uncle's position in 412, but was deposed through the intrigues of the Nestorian heretics. He later resumed his See, however.

St Cyril presided at the Third Ecumenical Council in 431, which censured the Nestorian blasphemy against the Most Holy Theotokos. His wise words demonstrated the error of their false doctrine.

St Cyril departed to the Lord in the year 444, and is also commemorated on June 9 (the day of his repose).

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Saints Athanasius and Cyril Archbishops of Alexandria

Athanasius and Cyril, great hierarchs of true piety, and noble champions of the Church of Christ,
preserve all who sing:
"O Compassionate Lord, save those who honor You."

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Today the Church remembers:

Ss. Athanasius the Great (373) and Cyril (444), Archbishops of Alexandria

- Ven. Afanásii (Athanasius), Abbot of Syandémsk (Vologdá—16th c.)
- Righteous Afanásii of Novolótsk, Monk (16th-17th c.) Ven. Marcian of Cyrrhus in Syria (ca. 388)

January 18, 2015

32nd Sunday after Pentecost

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