

Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:**For eternal memory of:****Zygmund**, Father of Paul Jankowski, offered by Paul and Linda**For health of:****Holly Dawson**, for her birthday, offered by her family.**Readings:**

- Hebrews 7:26-8:2 (St John Chrysostom)
- John 10:9-16 (St John Chrysostom)
 - **Colossians 3:4-11**
 - **Matthew 22:35-46**

BRETHREN, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away; anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

At that time, a lawyer, asked him a question, to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I put thy enemies under thy feet'? If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did any one dare to ask him any more questions.

Saturday service: Vespers – 6:00 PM**Sunday service:**

Hours - 9:40 AM **Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM**
 (Private Confession – Half hour before any service. Please don't delay the service.)
 (General Confession – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month.)
 (Pannikhidas – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month)

Church School – 9:30 AM

No Church School on the first Sunday of each month.

Coffee hour - after Liturgy

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

Announcements:

- **There will be a meeting of the Parish Council** today after coffee hour.
- **The next meeting of the Sisterhood of the Protection of the Theotokos** will be on Sunday, February 3rd, after coffee hour.
- **The annual parish meeting of the parishioners** will be Sunday **February 10, 2013** 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 Holly Dawson, the Council President, if you have an item that you wish to be included on the agenda or if you plan to nominate someone for a Parish Council position. All members of the parish are invited to attend. (Only parishioners who are "voting members" can be nominated to Parish Council positions.)

Special Announcements:

- **Dues and assessments are being collected for the year 2013, Total Parish Membership Fee is \$200.** Partial payments are gladly accepted. (2012 Membership Fee payments can still be made, in order to be a "voting member" this year.)
- Upcoming bulletins can be sponsored; this can be done with the sign-up sheet at the candle stand.
- Special Announcements for the bulletin can be submitted by E-Mail to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org

Translation of the relics of St John Chrysostom the Archbishop of Constantinople:

This great ecumenical teacher and hierarch died in the city of Comana in the year 407 on his way to a place of exile. He had been condemned by the intrigues of the empress Eudoxia because of his daring denunciation of the vices ruling over Constantinople.

The transfer of his venerable relics was made in the year 438, thirty years after the death of the saint during the reign of Eudoxia's son emperor Theodosius II (408-450).

St John Chrysostom had the warm love and deep respect of the people, and grief over his untimely death lived on in the hearts of Christians. St John's disciple, St Proclus, Patriarch of Constantinople (434-447), during services in the Church of Hagia Sophia, preached a sermon praising St John. He said, "O John, your life was filled with sorrow, but your death was glorious. Your grave is blessed and reward is great, by the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ O graced one, having conquered the bounds of time and place! Love has conquered space, unforgetting memory has annihilated the limits, and place does not hinder the miracles of the saint."

Those who were present in church, deeply touched by the words of St Proclus, did not allow him even to finish his sermon. With one accord they began to entreat the Patriarch to intercede with the emperor, so that the relics of St John might be brought back to Constantinople.

The emperor, overwhelmed by St Proclus, gave his consent and gave the order to transfer the relics of St John. But those he sent were unable to lift the holy relics until the emperor realized that he had sent men to take the saint's relics from Comana with an edict, instead of with a prayer. He wrote a letter to St John, humbly asking him to forgive his audacity, and to return to Constantinople. After the message was read at the grave of St John, they easily took up the relics, carried them onto a ship and arrived at Constantinople.

The coffin with the relics was placed in the Church of Holy Peace (Hagia Eirene). When Patriarch Proclus opened the coffin, the body of St John was found to be incorrupt. The emperor approached the coffin with tears, asking forgiveness for his mother, who had banished St John. All day and night people did not leave the coffin.

In the morning the coffin was brought to the Church of the Holy Apostles. The people cried out, "Father, take up your throne." Then Patriarch Proclus and the clergy standing by the relics saw St John open his mouth and say, "Peace be to all." Many of the sick were healed at his tomb.

The celebration of the transfer of the relics of St John Chrysostom was established in the ninth century.



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**Glory to
Jesus Christ**

**Glory
Forever**

**St John Chrysostom the
Archbishop of
Constantinople**

*Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe;
It has shone to the world the riches of poverty;
It has revealed to us the heights of humility.
Teaching us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom,
Intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls.*

Troparion - St John Chrysostom

Today the Church remembers:

Translation of the Relics of St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople (438) • New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia

January 27, 2013

Tone 1 of the Octoechos

34rd Sunday after Pentecost