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**Readings:****Colossians 3:12-16** (30th Sunday after Pentecost)

Hebrews 7:26-28;8:1-2 (Saint John Chrysostom)

**Matthew 25:14-30** (16th Sunday after Pentecost)

John 10:9-16 (Saint John Chrysostom)

**BRETHREN**, put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

**The Lord said this parable:** "For it will be as when a man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.'

**Saturday service: Vespers** – 6:30 PM**Sunday service:****Hours - 9:40 AM****Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM****(Private Confession** – After Vespers by appointment.)**(General Confession** – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month)**(Pannikhidas** – after Divine Liturgy 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month)**Church School**2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades – 9:30 AM (No Church School on the first Sunday of each month.)Preschool through 1<sup>st</sup> grades meet immediately after communion every Sunday.**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:**

- **Home Blessings** – Please contact Fr. Matthew at 856-227-6915 to arrange a date and time for the blessing of your home.
- **Dues and assessments** are now being collected for the year 2019. Total Parish Membership Fee is \$200. Partial payments are gladly accepted. Please indicate on the check that it is to be applied to Membership.
- There will be a **meeting of the Church Council** today, January 27<sup>th</sup>, after Coffee Hour.
- There will be a **meeting of the Sisterhood** of the Protection of the Mother of God on Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, after coffee hour. Dues for 2019 can be paid at the meeting.
- Our **Annual Parish Meeting of the Parishioners** will be held Sunday February 10, 2019 right after coffee hour.
- **Please note** – If you are bringing food for coffee hour because you had a Pannikhida, or other special event, please notify Lore Stefy at 609 625-1184 in advance.

**Special Announcements:**

- Parishioners who would like to donate items for use in the kitchen, can check the blackboard in the kitchen for what is needed.
- Please sign up for a **Coffee Hour date**. You do not need to be a Sisterhood member to sign up.

**Reminders:**

- **Announcements or Prayer Requests** for the bulletin, can be submitted by E-Mail to: [Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org](mailto:Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org) **Upcoming bulletins can also be sponsored** by using the signup sheet at the candle stand. If using the signup sheet, please give two weeks' notice.
- **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.

The lives of the saints membered today can be read at:

<https://oca.org/saints/lives/2019/01/27>

**Metropolitan Vladimir of Kiev:**

In our church, rests the relics of our father among the saints, the holy **New Martyr Metropolitan Vladimir (Bogoyavlensky) of Kiev and Gallich**, the first bishop to be tortured and slain by the Communists at the time of the Russian Revolution.

**Martyrdom**

In January 1918, cannon fire damaged many churches and monasteries as Bolshevik forces vied for control of Kiev. On January 23, the Bolsheviks seized the Kiev Caves Lavra, and the monks were taken out into the courtyard to be stripped and beaten.

A few nights later, according to one account, five armed soldiers and a sailor came looking for Metropolitan Vladimir. The hierarch was tortured and choked in his bedroom with the chain of his cross. They tortured the metropolitan and demanded money, and then drove him away to be executed. Another account just states that some anonymous persons proceeded to take him to the commandant for interrogation. On the way, they decided to rid themselves of him.

The body of the hiero martyr was found pierced by two bullet wounds and three stab wounds. He was carried into the lavra's Church of St. Michael, where he had spent his last days at prayer.

The All-Russian Church Council was in session when word came to Moscow of Metropolitan Vladimir's death. Patriarch Tikhon performed a memorial service for the New Martyr Vladimir. An investigatory commission was formed to look into the circumstances of Metropolitan Vladimir's murder, but it was unable to carry out its duties because of the revolution. The council decided that the Sunday nearest to January 25, the day of his martyrdom, would be set aside for the annual commemoration of all of the **New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia**, killed by the Soviets.

**Glorification**

In 1992, the Russia Orthodox Church glorified the holy New Martyr Vladimir. **The Synaxis of Russia's New Martyrs and Confessors is also observed on the Sunday closest to January 25.**

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**Glory to  
Jesus  
Christ**

**Glory  
Forever**

*Translation of the relics of 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) – Tone 1

**On this day the Church remembers:**

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

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**Tone 2** of the Octoechos

35<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost