Today's Bulletin Sponsor is for:

The Health of:

John Bodulow, Happy Birthday from the Bodulow's, Inferrera's, & Ferguson's

The Memory of:

Recently departed, **Peter** Kuzemchak, the nephew of Bill and Maryanne. **Victor** Bodulow, 27 years, offered by the Bodulow's, Inferrera's, & Ferguson's

Readings: Colossians 3:12-16 (30th Sunday after Pentecost)
Matthew 25:14-30 (16th Sunday after Pentecost)

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 every one 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.'

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. <u>Please contact Fr Matthew if you wish to attend as part of the restricted number</u>. (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:

- Today's meeting of the parish council has been canceled.
- 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: <u>Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org</u> (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 email 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.

Sunday Bulletin

<u>Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John, and those with them:</u>

Having received the gift of miracles through divine grace, O saints, you work wonders in the world unceasingly.

You remove all of our passions through your invisible surgery, divinely-wise Cyrus and glorious John, for you are truly divine physicians.

Kontakion - Tone3

To read more about the saints remembered today, see: https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2021/01/31

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Glory to Jesus Christ



Glory Forever

Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John, and those with them

You have given us the miracles of Your martyrs, Cyrus and John, as an invincible rampart; through their prayers, frustrate the plans of the heathens, and strengthen the faith of the Orthodox Christians, for You alone are good and love mankind.

Troparion - Tone 5

Today the Church remembers:

Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John, and with them Martyrs Athanasia and her daughters: Theoctiste, Theodotia, and Eudoxia, at Canopus in Egypt (311) ◆ Ven. Nikita of the Kiev Caves, Bishop of Novgorod (1108) ◆ Martyrs Victorinus, Victor, Nicephorus, Claudius, Diodorus, Serapion, and Papias, of Egypt (251) ◆ Martyr Tryphaínē at Cyzicus. ◆ St. Arsenios of Paros (1877) ◆ Saint Julius of Aegina (330).

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