

Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:**For the Eternal Memory of:**

Michael, father of Fr. Boris, offered by Fr Boris and Matushka Galina.

Readings:

- Galatians 1:11-19 (Epistle, St. Vladimir)
- John 10:1-9 (Gospel, St. Vladimir)
 - **Romans 12:6-14**
 - **Matthew 9:1-8**

BRETHREN, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

At that time, he crossed over in a boat, and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" --he then said to the Paralytic--"rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

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 50 AM on the first Sunday of each month)
 (Pannikhidas – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month)

Church School – (has ended for the school year)

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:

- **The next meeting of the Parish Council** will be on Sunday, August 26th, after coffee hour.
- **The next meeting of the Sisterhood** of the Protection of the Theotokos will be on Sunday, August 5th, after coffee hour.

Reminder:

- **Volunteers are needed to clean the church.** Please use the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, downstairs, to indicate when you can help. See Ed Dawson for access to the church.
- **Dues and assessments are being collected for the year 2012, Total Parish Membership Fee is now \$200.** Partial payments are gladly accepted.
- Upcoming bulletins can be sponsored; this can be done with the signup sheet at the candle stand.
- Special Announcements for the bulletin can be submitted by E-Mail to:
Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org

Holy Synod appoints Archbishop Nathaniel Locum Tenens, Bishop Michael Temporary Administrator: SYOSSET, NY [OCA]

“To the Venerable Clergy, Devout Monastics, and Pious Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America:

“Beloved in Christ, Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

On Friday, July 6, 2012, His Beatitude, Metropolitan Jonah, tendered his resignation as Primate of the Orthodox Church in America. The Holy Synod of Bishops, chaired by His Beatitude, Metropolitan Jonah, met via conference call on Saturday, July 7, 2012. During that meeting, the Holy Synod accepted Metropolitan Jonah’s resignation and deliberated on courses of action.

On Monday, July 9, 2012, the Holy Synod of Bishops, including Metropolitan Jonah, met again via a conference call to continue those deliberations. Metropolitan Jonah will retain the title ‘His Eminence, Metropolitan Jonah, former Archbishop of Washington and Metropolitan of All-America and Canada.’

The Holy Synod has appointed the senior hierarch of the Holy Synod, His Eminence, the **Most Reverend Nathaniel**, Archbishop of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate, as the *Locum Tenens* of the Orthodox Church in America. His Eminence, Archbishop Nathaniel will be commemorated in the Liturgy as ‘His Eminence the Most Reverend Nathaniel, Archbishop of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate, *Locum Tenens* of the Orthodox Church in America.’

The Holy Synod has appointed His Grace, the **Right Reverend Michael**, Bishop of New York and the Diocese of New York and New Jersey, as the Administrator of the Orthodox Church in America.

The Holy Synod has appointed His Grace, the **Right Reverend Alexander**, Bishop of Toledo and the Bulgarian Archdiocese, as the *Locum Tenens* of the Archdiocese of Washington. His Grace will be commemorated in the Liturgy as ‘His Grace, the Right Reverend Alexander, Bishop of Toledo and the Bulgarian Archdiocese, *Locum Tenens* of the Archdiocese of Washington.’

The Holy Synod of Bishops is currently discussing arrangements with Metropolitan Jonah and, with all due pastoral consideration, will take into account his requests as outlined in his letter of resignation. The Holy Synod of Bishops will also meet in due time to discuss future plans for the leadership of the Church.

The Holy Synod thanks Metropolitan Jonah for his considerate decision and requests that the Clergy and Faithful keep Metropolitan Jonah and the Orthodox Church in America in their prayers.

**Assuring you of Our Archpastoral Blessing, We are,
The Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America.**

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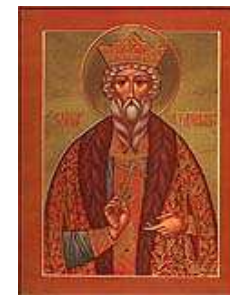
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**Glory to
Jesus Christ**

**Glory
Forever**

**Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles
Great Prince Vladimir**

*Most glorious Vladimir, in your old age you imitated the great apostle Paul:
he abandoned childish things, while you forsook the idolatry of your youth.*

Together with him you reached the fullness of divine wisdom:

You were adorned with the purity of holy baptism.

Now as you stand before Christ our Savior, pray that all Orthodox Christians may be saved.

Kontakion

On this day the Church remembers:

Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Great Prince Vladimir (in Baptism Basil), Enlightener of the Russian Lands (1015) • Fathers of the 1st Six Ecumenical Councils • Martyr Cyricus (Quiricus) and his mother, Julitta, of Tarsus (ca. 305) • Martyr Abudimus of the Isle of Tenedos (4th c.).

July 15, 2012

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6th Sunday After Pentecost