

Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:**Health of:**

Luba Bodulow, offered by her family

Andrew and **Maribeth** on their anniversary, offered by their family

Elizabeth on her 19th birthday, offered by the Zimmerman family

Memory of:

Of our mother **Ann**, offered by Linda and Richard Dantine

Readings:

Romans 12:6-14 (*6th Sunday after Pentecost*)

Matthew 9:1-8 (*6th Sunday after Pentecost*)

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, Jesus 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.

Saturday service:

Vespers – 6:30 PM

(**Private Confession** – After Vespers by appointment.)

Sunday service:

Hours - 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM

(**General Confession** – 9:45 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.

Have a safe and blessed summer!

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

Announcements:

- As we did last Sunday, there will be a special collection today for **Saint Andrew's camp building** (kitchen, dining room and activity center). Please be generous because an anonymous donor will match donations for the month of July.
- There will be a meeting of the parish council today, after coffee hour.
- There will be a meeting of the Sisterhood of the Protection of the Mother of God, next Sunday, August 4th.
- **Memorial Plaque:** The \$25.00 donation for the submission of names has been extended until September 1, 2019. (Then it will return to \$100 per name.) There is now a sheet at the candle stand to submit names.

Special Announcements:

- There will be a **Paint and Sip Party** on Thursday, August 22nd, in the church hall. All proceeds from this event benefit the Sisterhood. It is hosted by Susan Coll-Guedes. [See our Facebook page for more information.](#)

Reminders:

- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, can be submitted by E-Mail to: 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.

Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas:

Saints Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon and Parmenas, Apostles of the Seventy were among the first deacons in the Church of Christ.

In the Acts of the Holy Apostles (6:1-6) it is said that the twelve Apostles chose seven men: Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicholas, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, and appointed them to serve as deacons.

They are commemorated together on July 28, although they died at various times and in various places.

At first, **Saint Prochorus** accompanied the holy Apostle Peter, who made him bishop in the city of Nicomedia. After the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, Prochorus was a companion and coworker of the holy Apostle John the Theologian and was banished with him to the island of Patmos. There he wrote down the Book of Revelation concerning the final fate of the world. Upon returning to Nicomedia, Saint Prochorus converted pagans to Christ in the city of Antioch, where he suffered martyrdom.

Although **Saint Nicanor** suffered on the same day that the holy Protomartyr Stephen (December 27) and many other Christians were killed by stoning, he is commemorated on December 28.

Saint Timon was later appointed by the Apostles as bishop of the city of Bostra in Arabia and suffered from the Jews and pagans for preaching the Gospel. He was thrown into a furnace, but by the power of God he came out of it unharmed. The tradition of the Roman Church says that Saint Timon died by crucifixion. Saint Timon of the Seventy is also commemorated on December 30.

Saint Parmenas zealously preached Christ in Macedonia. He died after being afflicted with an illness. Some say that Saint Parmenas suffered martyrdom under Trajan (98-117) in the final year of his reign.

*You were holy deacons and eye-witnesses of the Word,
And chosen vessel of the faith,
O glorious Nicanor, Prochorus, Parmenas and Timon.
Therefore today we celebrate your sacred memory,
Blessing you in gladness of heart.*

Kontakion – Tone 1

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

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Glory to Jesus
Christ

Glory
Forever

**Holy Apostles of the Seventy and
Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor,
Timon, and Parmenas**

*O holy apostle Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas,
Entreat the merciful God,
To grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.*

Troparion – Tone 3

Today the Church remembers:

Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas (1st c.). St. Pitirím, Bishop of Tambov (1698). Ven. Moses, Wonderworker, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th-14th c.). Martyr Julian of Dalmatia (2nd c.). Martyr Eustathius (Eustace—ca. 321), of Apamea. Ven. Paul of Xeropotamou, founder of the Monastery of St. Paul on Mt. Athos (10th c.). The Smolensk “HODIGITRIA” (“THE GUIDE”) Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos (brought from Constantinople in 1046). Icon of the Mother of God “of Tenderness” (1885).

July 28, 2019

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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