

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

Our Mother **Ann**, offered by Linda and Richard.

For the health and prosperity of:

Father Boris and **Matushka Galina**, for their many years of service to our parish, offered by the Parish Council.

Elizabeth on her 12th birthday, offered with love by her family.

Maribeth & Andy Romanofsky, 31st wedding anniversary.

Readings:

- 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
- Matthew 14:14-22

BRETHREN, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispos and Gaius; lest any one should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any one else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

At that time, Jesus saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

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:

- **On Sunday July 22nd, Fr. Boris announced that his retirement request was accepted.** May God grant many years to Father Boris and Matushka Galina. Today Fr Boris will be serving as our rector for the last time.
- **Starting next week, the Very Reverend Daniel Hubiak will serve our parish until a permanent rector is assigned.** Fr Daniel will serve Sunday and Feast day Liturgies with Vespers the evening before.
- **The next meeting of the Parish Council** was postponed to Sunday, August 12th, after coffee hour.
- **The next meeting of the Sisterhood** of the Protection of the Theotokos will be next Sunday, August 5th, after coffee hour.
- The **2012 Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors** program is underway. This is a way to: Support our diocesan seminarians, establish more mission parishes in our Diocese, and support existing parishes that need help. We ask that you help out by contributing to the collection and/or donating directly by mail with a "**Vision for Our Future ~ DDB**" flyer, or online at the website:
http://nynjoca.org/vision_for_future_2012.html

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.
- **Dormition fast begins** Wednesday and lasts until the Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary on August 15th.
- 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

Thank you Fr Boris Slootsky

The parish of the Church of the Mother of God would like to thank Fr. Boris for his years of service to our parish. Ever since he was a deacon at the Brooklyn Cathedral, he has been very helpful to the parish. He came down many times when needed for prayer service when we could not get a priest. When Dn. Boris was ordained to the priesthood, our whole parish traveled to Manhattan to share in the occasion.

Right from the start Fr Boris Slootsky was a true blessing to the parish. More than just being our priest and having regular services, he started a rebirth of the parish. As soon as he was assigned, he removed a look of neglect from the church building, the dark iconostas was restored with new iconography, and the whole interior of the church was cleaned and painted. In the years since, he never stopped improving the look of the church.

Fr. Boris also always stressed the importance of prayer for our departed loved ones. Also, he started a church school for the children of our parish.

We would like to thank him and wish him the best in his retirement.

Martyr Callinic of Gangra in Asia Minor:

Today, the Orthodox Church remembers the Holy Martyr Callinic, a native of Cilicia, was raised from childhood in the Christian Faith. Grieving that many misguided people would perish for eternity because they worshiped idols, he went through the cities and villages to proclaim Jesus Christ and His teachings to the pagans, and with the Word of God he converted many to Christianity.

In the Galatian city of Ancyra the holy confessor was arrested and brought to trial before a governor named Sacerdonus, a fierce persecutor of Christians. The governor, threatening tortures and death, ordered the saint to offer sacrifice to the idols. The saint fearlessly declared that he was not afraid of martyrdom, since every believer in Christ receives from Him strength in ordeals, and through death inherits an eternal blessed life.

They cruelly beat the saint with ox thongs and tore at his body with iron hooks, but he endured everything with patience and calm. This aroused still greater fury in Sacerdonus, and he ordered that sandals with sharp nails be placed on the saint's feet, and that they should drive the martyr with whips to the city of Gangra to be burned.

The pathway was arduous, and the soldiers who accompanied the condemned man were weak from thirst. In despair they began to implore the saint to pray the Lord for water. The saint, taking pity on his tormentors, with the help of God caused a miraculous spring of water to gush forth from a stone. The astonished soldiers were filled with sympathy for their rescuer, and they wanted even to set him free. Fear of execution, however, compelled them to bring the martyr farther. In Gangra, St Callinic joyfully offered thanks to the Lord, Who had vouchsafed him the crown of martyrdom. He went into the blazing fire and gave up his soul to God. His body, remaining unharmed, was reverently buried by believers.

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Martyr Callinic

Glory to
Jesus Christ

Glory
Forever

*You worthily inherited joy on high, Callinic,
for aflame with love for Christ you bravely endured the fire.
As you stand before Him,
never cease to intercede for us all.*

- Kontakion

On this day the Church remembers:

Martyr Callinic of Gangra in Asia Minor (3rd-4th c.) • Ven. Constantine and Cosmas, Abbots of Kosinsk (Pskov—13th c.) • Virgin Martyr Seraphima (Serapia) of Antioch (2nd c.). Martyr Theodota and her three sons in Bithynia (ca. 304) • Martyr Michael (9th c.) • Martyr Eustace of Mtskheta in Georgia (589).

July 29, 2012

Tone 7 of the Octoechos

8th Sunday After Pentecost