

Bulletin sponsors this week are for:**The Health of:**

Mat. Barbara on her birthday, offered with love by their family.

Maribeth and **Andrew** on their 42nd wedding anniversary.

Jaelyn on her birthday, offered by her family, with love.

Readings: **I Corinthians 1:10-17** (*8th Sunday after Pentecost*)
Matthew 14:14-22 (*8th Sunday after Pentecost*)

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 Crispus 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 Services:

Hours - 9:40 AM	Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM
General Confession – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month	
Private Confession - by appointment, contact Fr Matthew	
Pannikhidas – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month	

Coffee hour - after Divine Liturgy.

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

Sunday School has ended for the summer.**Announcements:**

- The Holy Day of the Transfiguration is next Sunday, August 6. The blessing of fruit will take place after Divine Liturgy.
- The Holy Day of the Dormition is Tuesday, August 15. We will have an evening Liturgy at 6:30 on Monday, August 14. We will bless flowers and seeds after Liturgy.
- The Sisterhood of the Protection of the Mother of God will have a meeting next Sunday, August 6th, after the Liturgy.
- The Sisterhood is holding a food drive to benefit a local food pantry. Please see the listing downstairs of needed items. All donations will be welcomed!
- Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers.
- Donations are being accepted for an outdoor chairlift to be used on our steps.

Reminders:

- 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
Thank you to everyone who has been sending in their donations. (There is also a donation basket at the candle stand.)
- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, should be **submitted by email to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org**
- The Grey Book Step Meeting Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets every Tuesday from 7-8:00 pm downstairs in the community room.
- The Living Clean Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets every Friday from 8-9:15 pm downstairs in the community room.
- Prospora (bread) is again available at the candle stand for a donation of \$2. The faithful can have the bread sent into the altar with a list of names for prayers of health and salvation for the living and for the repose of the departed servants of God. (Prospora should be purchased at least a week in advance of the Sunday Liturgy.)

Apostles Silas and Silvanus of the Seventy, and those with them:

The Seventy Apostles are those whom the Lord chose, in addition to the original Twelve Apostles, to go before Him into the cities He would visit (Luke 10:1), and lay down the groundwork and infrastructure for the Early Church. According to the Gospel of Luke, the only gospel in which they appear (Luke 10:1–24), Jesus appointed them and sent them out in pairs to preach the Gospel. The Twelve generally remained at Christ's side, serving as witnesses to His life; but the Seventy preceded Him in every place He visited.

The *Synaxis of the Seventy Apostles* is commemorated on January 4th and was established by the Orthodox Church to indicate the equal honor of each of the Seventy.

Besides the celebration of the *Synaxis of the Holy Apostles*, the Church also celebrates the memory of each of them during the course of the year. Today the church remembers Apostles Silas and Silvanus of the Seventy, and those with them.

*You were revealed to be branches of the vine of Christ, O wise ones,
bearing clusters of virtues that pour out on us the wine of salvation.*

Receiving it, we are filled with gladness,

and we celebrate your most honored memory, apostles of the Lord, Silas and Silvanus.

Therefore, intercede that great mercy and remission of sins may be granted to us.

Kontakion – Tone 4

To read about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2023/07/30>

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**Glory to
Jesus Christ**

**Glory
forever**

Apostles Silas and Silvanus of the
Seventy, and those with them

*Holy Apostles Silas and Silvanus,
entreat the merciful God
to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.*

Troparion – Tone 3

July 30, 2023

Today the Church remembers:

Apostles Silas and Silvanus of the Seventy, and those with them: Crescens, Epenetus, and Andronicus (1st c.) • Martyr John the soldier at Constantinople • Uncovering of the Relics of Ven. Herman of Solovétsky Monastery (1484) • Hieromartyr Polychronius, Bishop of Babylon, and Martyrs Parmenius, Helimenas, and Chrysotelus—Presbyters, Luke and Moscius—Deacons, and Abdon, Sennen, Maximus and Olympius (ca. 251) • Hieromartyr Valentine, Bishop of Interamna (Terni) in Italy, and Martyrs Proculus, Ephebus, Apollonius and Abundius, youths (ca. 273)

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 7 of the Octoechos.
Dormition Fast begins on Tuesday