Bulletin sponsors this week aer for:

<u>The memory of :</u> Kathleen and Joseph, parents of Maribeth, offered by the Romanofsky's

	Hebrews 11:33-12:2 (1 st Sunday after Pentecost)
<u>Readings:</u>	Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30 (1st Sunday after Pentecost,
<u>Keaungs.</u>	All Saints)

Brethren, who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

Sunday Services:

Hours - 9:40 AMDivine Liturgy - 10:00 AMGeneral 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:

- There will be a **meeting** of the **parish council** today, **June 30**th after coffee hour.
- Archbishop Michael will be visiting our parish on Sunday, July 28. Please invite your family and friends to welcome our Archbishop that day! The Sisterhood will be sponsoring a luncheon to honor His Eminence. The cost of the luncheon will be \$10 per adult (13 years and up). Tickets are now available for purchase, please see Maribeth Romanofsky. A sign-up sheet for food donations for the luncheon is possted in the community room.

Reminders:

- The **Sisterhood's food drive** is ongoing. Donation bins are located both downstairs and in the back of the church. Please be generous. Thank you!
- Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers. And please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East.
- 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. Or a **Venmo account** can be used for donations to our parish. It is at <u>https://venmo.com/u/Hala-Dawson</u>)

- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, should be **submitted by** email to: <u>Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org</u>
- 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.

Synaxis of All Saints:

The first Sunday after Pentecost commemorats all the Saints, Prophets, martyrs, confessors, ascetics and all men and women who have glorified God through holy living.

The doctrine of the Church comes alive in the lives of the true believers, the saints. The saints are those who literally share the holiness of God. "Be holy, for I your God am holy" (Lev 11.44; 1 Pet 1.16). The lives of the saints bear witness to the authenticity and truth of the Christian gospel, the sure gift of God's holiness to men.

As the first fruits of nature offered to the Planter of all creation, O Lord, the inhabited earth brings the God-bearing Martyrs. By their supplications, and the intercession of the Theotokos, preserve Your Church in profound peace, O greatly Merciful One. Kontakion – Tone 8

To read about the saints remembered today, see: <u>https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/06/30</u>

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Glory forever

Synaxis of All Saints

Adorned in the blood of Your Martyrs throughout all the world, as if clothed in purple and linen, through them Your Church cries out to You, O Christ God: "Bestow Your bounties upon Your people, grant peace to Your habitation, and great mercy to our souls."

Tone 4 – Troparion

June 30, 2024

Today the Church remembers:

All Saints • "Seven Arrows" Icon of the Mother of God • Synaxis of the Holy, Glorious and All-praised Twelve Apostles: Peter, Andrew, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James, the son of Alphæus, Jude, the brother of James, Simon the Zealot, and Matthias (1st c.) • St. Peter, Prince of Ordinsk (Rostov—1290) • Translation of the Relics of St. Sophróny, Bishop of Irkutsk (1918)

1st Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 8 of the Octoechos

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