

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

Cecelia on her birthday, requested with love by her family.

The Memory of:

Recently departed **William D. Kuzemchak**, son of MaryAnn and Bill Kuzemchak.

Readings: **Hebrews 1:10-14;2:1-3** (*2nd Sunday of Great Lent*)
[Hebrews 7:26-28;8:1-2](#) (*St Gregory Palamas*)
Mark 2:1-12 (*2nd Sunday of Great Lent*)
[John 10:9-16](#) (*St Gregory Palamas*)

Brethren, “You O Lord, in the beginning, didst found the earth, and the heavens are the work of thy hands; they will perish, but thou remainest; they will all grow old like a garment, like a mantle thou wilt roll them up, and they will be changed. But thou art the same, and thy years will never end.” But to what angel has he ever said, “Sit at my right hand, till I make thy enemies a stool for thy feet?” Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation? Therefore we must pay closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him.

At that time, Jesus entered Capernaum and it was reported that he was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room for them, not even about the door; and he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and when they had made an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic lay. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “My son, your sins are forgiven.” Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, “Why does this man speak thus? It is a blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “Why do you question thus in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your pallet and walk? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins’-he said to the paralytic-“I say to you, rise, take up your pallet and go home.” And he rose, and immediately took up the pallet and went out before them all; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

Sunday Service:

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
Pannikidas – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month

With COVID cases falling , mask wearing will again be optional. Unvaccinated persons should continue to mask up, however. Thank you for caring about your fellow parishioners!

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.

Church School**Sunday School classes have resumed.**

The remaining meeting for March will be on March 20th

Classes will meet at the same times as prior to the hiatus.

Announcement:

- **The Sisterhood of the Protection of the Mother of God will have a meeting this Sunday, March 20th, after the Divine Liturgy.**
- **Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers.**
- **Presanctified Liturgy** services are at 6:30 PM every Wednesday during lent.
- Donations are being accepted for an outdoor chairlift to be used on our steps.

Reminders:

- **Dues and assessments** are now being collected for the year 2022. Total Parish Membership Fee is \$200. Partial payments are gladly accepted. Please indicate on the check that it is to be applied to Membership.
- 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.
- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, should be **submitted by email to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org** (there is no longer a sign up sheet at the candle stand).
- 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.

2nd Sunday of Great Lent: St Gregory Palamas:

*Now is the time for action!
Judgment is at the doors!
So let us rise and fast,
offering alms with tears of compunction and crying:
“Our sins are more numerous than the sands of the sea;
but forgive us, O Master of All,
so that we may receive the incorruptible crowns.”*

Kontakion – Tone 4

*Holy and divine instrument of wisdom,
radiant and harmonious trumpet of theology,
we praise you in song, O divinely-speaking Gregory.
As a mind standing before the Primal Mind, guide our minds to Him, Father,
so that we may cry aloud to you: “Rejoice, herald of grace.”*

Kontakion – Tone 8

To read more about Great Lent, see:

<https://churchmotherofgod.org/articleschurch/about-services-and-prayers/420-great-lent-its-meaning-for-orthodox-christians.html>

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/03/20>

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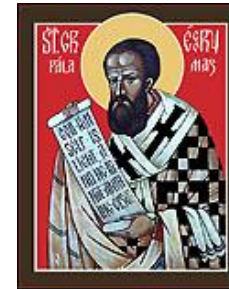
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**Christ Is in our
midst!**

**He is and
ever shall be!**

2nd Sunday of Great Lent:

St Gregory Palamas

*O luminary of Orthodoxy, support and teacher of the Church,
ideal of monks and invincible champion of theologians,
O wonderworker Gregory, boast of Thessalonika and herald of grace,
always intercede for all of us that our souls may be saved.*

Troparion – Tone 8

March 20, 2022

Today the Church remembers:

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT • St. Gregory Palamas • Synaxis of the Venerable Fathers of the Kiev Caves Lavra • The Holy Fathers who were slain at the Monastery of St. Savva: Ven. John, Sergius, Patrick, and others (796) • Monastic Martyr Euphrosynus of Sinozérsk (Novgorod—1612) • Martyr Photiné (Svetlana, Fatima), the Samaritan woman, and her sons: Martyrs Victor and Joses, and two others (ca. 66) • Virgin Martyrs Alexandra, Claudia, Euphrasia, Matrona, Juliana, Euphemia and Theodosia, of Amisus (310) • St. Niké́tas the Confessor, Archbishop of Apollonias in Bithynia (ca. 813-820)

2nd Sunday of Great Lent
Sunday of Orthodoxy

Triodion week 6
Tone 6 of the Octoechos.