

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

Marisa Corigliano on her birthday, offered by her parents, Maribeth and Andrew.

The memory of:

Kathleen Sheehan, mother of Maribeth, offered by the Romanofsky family.

Readings:

Hebrews 9:1-7 (*Entry of the Most-Holy Theotokos*)^{from 11/21}

Ephesians 2:14-22 (*24th Sunday after Pentecost*)

Galatians 5:22-26;6:1-2 (*saint Alexander Nevsky*)

Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 (*Most-Holy Theotokos*)^{from 11/21}

Luke 12:16-21 (*9th Sunday of Luke*)

Matthew 11:27-30 (*saint Alexander Nevsky*)

BRETHREN, the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was prepared, the outer one, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence; it is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain stood a tent called the Holy of Holies, having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, which contained a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. These preparations having thus been made, the priests go continually into the outer tent, performing their ritual duties; but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood which he offers for himself and for the errors of the people.

At that time, Jesus entered a village; and a woman called Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve you alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

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 Father Matthew Pannikhidas – after Divine Liturgy, 3 rd 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 classes meet every Sunday.

Please see your child's teacher for meeting times.

Announcements:

- There will be a **meeting of the Parish Council** today, November 23rd after coffee hour.
- **Nativity** season events:
Today, Sunday November 23rd - parish children and guests are invited to help decorate our parish tree.
Sunday December 7th - St. Nicholas Day celebration with a visit from St. Nicholas.

Reminders:

- The **Parish Council** has created a special fund for a **parish rectory**. Please **mark** any **donations** for this important fund with the designation "**Rectory**".
- **The Sisterhood's food drive is ongoing**. Please be generous with your donations as many people are presently experiencing food insecurity. Collection bins are located both downstairs and in the back of the church. Thank you.
- **Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers**. And please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East.
- Bulletin sponsors, prayer requests, or announcements for the bulletin should be **submitted by email to: bulletin@churchmotherofgod.org**
- Thank you to everyone who has been donating to our parish. There is a donation basket at the candle stand. Also, a **Venmo account** can be used for donations. It is at <https://venmo.com/u/Hala-Dawson>.
- **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.

Afterfeast of the Entry of the Most Holy Mother of God into the Temple:

The feast of the Entry of the Most Holy Mother of God was Friday, November 21st, we will celebrate it today.

*The most pure Temple of the Savior;
the precious Chamber and Virgin;
the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,
is presented today to the house of the Lord.
She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,
therefore, the angels of God praise her:
"Truly this woman is the abode of heaven."*

Kontakion — Tone 4

Prokeimenon (Tone 4): (Song of the Theotokos)

My soul magnifies the Lord, / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. (Lk. 1:46-47)

V. For He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden, for behold, all generations will call me blessed. (Lk. 1:48)

Alleluia verse (Tone 8)

V. Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear! (Ps. 44:9a)

V. Even the rich among the people shall pray before your face. (Ps. 44:11b)

Instead of "It is truly meet..." we sing:

The angels beheld the entrance of the Pure One and were amazed

How has the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies?

Since she is a living Ark of God

let no profane hand touch the Theotokos.

But let the lips of believers unceasingly sing to her,

praising her in joy with the angel's song:

"Truly, you are more exalted than all, O pure Virgin!"

Communion Hymn :

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps. 148:1)

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord. (Ps. 115:4)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

To read about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2025/11/23>

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and the website of the Orthodox Church in America: www.oca.org/

See our Website at: ChurchMotherOfGod.org

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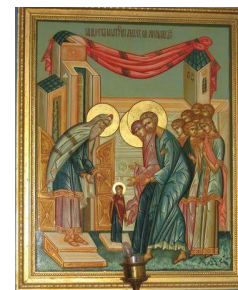
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*Glory to
Jesus Christ*

*Glory
Forever*

Afterfeast of the Entry of the Most Holy
Mother of God into the Temple

*Today is the prelude of the good will of God,
of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.*

*The Virgin appears in the temple of God,
in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.*

Let us rejoice / and sing to her:

"Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

Tone 4 — Troparion

November 23, 2025**Today the Church remembers:**

Afterfeast of the Entry Into the Temple • Repose of Rt. Blv. Great Prince Alexander Nevsky, in schema Aleksy (1263) • St Amphilokhios, Bishop of Iconium (394) • St. Gregory, Bishop of Agrigentum (6th-7th c.) • St. Metrophán, in schema Makáry, Bishop of Vorónezh (1703) • Sisinius the Confessor, Bishop of Cyzicus (3rd c.) • Martyr Theodore of Antioch (4th c.)

24th Sunday after Pentecost

9th Sunday of Luke

Tone 7 of the [Octoechos](#)

Nativity Fast