

Today's Bulletin Sponsor is:**For the health of:**

Matushka **Emily** Shuga on her birthday, offered by Bill and MaryAnn Kuzemchak

Aris, Svetlana, Elizabet, and Svetlana, offered by Svetlana

For the Memory of:

Liubov, offered by Svetlana

Readings: **Ephesians 4:1-7** (*25th Sunday after Pentecost*)
Luke 13:10-17 (*10th Sunday of Luke*)

BRETHREN, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

Sunday service:

Hours - 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, in person services in our parish have been cut back for now. Fr Matthew has sent out reader's services via email each week to follow at home. In addition, the diocesan web page nynjoca.org has online services for viewing.

Sunday services are celebrated with only the allowed number of people in attendance. Please contact Fr Matthew if you wish to attend as part of the restricted number. (No one else should attend in person.)

Church School

Church School is temporarily not meeting.

We are praying for all of our parishioners and their families. Let's keep praying for each other and remember to reach out and keep in touch.

Announcement:

- As we are asked to refrain from public gatherings, **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
 The parish still needs to pay its bills. (Our monthly revenue has recently dropped below our monthly expenditures.)
Thank you to everyone who has been sending in their donations.

Reminders:

- Because of the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) pandemic, SERVICE and EVENT info, here and on our web site's calendar, may change.
- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, can be submitted by email to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org (there is no longer a sign up sheet at the candle stand).
- We still need sponsors for the bulletin each week as they go out via e-mail to many people. Send your donation to the treasurer in time to get it into the bulletin.
- 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.

Martyr Paramon and 370 Martyrs in Bithynia:

*Urged on by the commandments of God,
with patience, you cleansed your souls from all defilement.
You reached perfection as spiritual athletes;
you renounced sacrifice to idols.
Imitating Christ, you were slain with a spear,
most blessed Paramon and Philoumenus.
Always fervently intercede with Christ on behalf of the world.*

Kontakion — Tone 4

The Holy Martyr Paramon and the 370 Martyrs with him suffered for their faith in Christ in the year 250 during the rule of the emperor Decius (249-251). The governor of the Eastern regions, Aquianus, had locked up 370 Christians in prison, urging them to abjure Christ and instead offer sacrifice to idols.

They subjected the captives to beatings, hoping by torture and the threat of death to persuade them to renounce Christ and worship the pagan gods. One of the local inhabitants, Paramon by name, openly denounced the cruel governor and confessed his faith in the One True God, the Lord Jesus Christ. They beheaded Saint Paramon after fierce tortures, together with the other 370 martyrs.

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2020/11/29>

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**Glory to Jesus
Christ**

**Glory
Forever**

Martyr Paramon and 370 Martyrs in
Bithynia

*Your holy martyrs Paramon and Philoumenus and those with them, O Lord,
through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from You, our God.
For having Your strength, they laid low their adversaries,
and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.
Through their intercessions, save our souls!*

Troparion — Tone 4

Today the Church remembers:

Martyr Paramon and 370 Martyrs in Bithynia (250) • Martyr Philumenus of Ancyra, and with him Martyrs Valerian and Phædrus (ca. 274) • Ven. Acacius of Sinai, who is mentioned in The Ladder (6th c.) • Ven. Nectarius the Obedient, of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—12th c.) • Hieromartyr Abibus (Avíva), Bishop of Nekresi in Georgia (6th c.).

November 29, 2020

**25th SUNDAY AFTER ENTECOST
10th Sunday of Luke**

**Tone 8 of the Octoechos
Nativity Fast**