Bulletin sponsors this week are for the:

Health of:

Alex Rogers, on his birthday, offered by his family with love.

Readings:

Galatians 2:16-20 (21st Sunday after Pentecost)

Luke 8:26-39 (6th Sunday of Luke)

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

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, 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 classes meet every Sunday.
Please see your child's teacher for meeting times.

Announcements:

Our parish will be celebrating our 59th anniversary next Sunday, November 9th with a potluck luncheon after the Divine Liturgy. The luncheon will cost \$10 per person (13 and up), payable at the door. A sign-up sheet for luncheon items is posted downstairs. All parishioners are invited to share a food or beverage item!

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. 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.

Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidephorus, Anempodistus, and 7,000 with them, of Persia:

You have received into the enjoyment of Your goodness and repose,
O only Good One,
the pious and God-bearing martyrs, who abandoned all earthly things:
Acindynus, Pegasias, and Anempodistus,
together with Aphthonius and Elpidephorus

Kontakion - Tone 2

To read about the saints remembered today, see: https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2025/11/02

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Glory Forever

Glory to Jesus Christ

> Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidephorus, Anempodistus, and 7,000 with them, of Persia

Blessed is the earth that received your blood, Passion-bearers of the Lord, and holy is the dwelling place which received your spirits.

You triumphed over the enemy in the stadium and you preached Christ with boldness.

Since He is good, we pray that you beseech Him to save our souls.

Tone 2 — Troparion

November 2, 2025 Today the Church remembers:

Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidephorus, Anempodistus, and 7,000 with them, of Persia (ca. 341-345) ● St. Marcian of Cyprus (381-391)

21st Sunday after Pentecost 6th Sunday of Luke

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