#### **Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:**

### For the health of:

Uncle George on his birthday, offered by Linda and Richard.

Barbara Milaro, mother of Denise, offered by the Hartzel Family.

#### For the memory of:

**Leonid** Stefy, offered by wife Lore, children, and grandchildren.

## **Readings:**

II Corinthians 11:31-12:9 (19th Sunday after Pentecost) Luke 8:26-39 (6th Sunday of Luke)

**BRETHREN**, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Ar'etas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven--whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise--whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows-- and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon 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.

## Saturday service:

Vespers – 6:30 PM

(**Private Confession** – After Vespers by appointment.)

### **Sunday service:**

**Hours -** 9:40 AM

**Divine Liturgy** – 10:00 AM

(**General Confession** – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month) (**Pannikhidas** – after Divine Liturgy 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month)

## **Church School**

All classes will meet every Sunday.

**Grades 4-8** – 9:30 am

**Preschool and Grades K through 3** – immediately after communion.

We would like to welcome all parish visitors and invite you to join us after the Liturgy, downstairs, for Coffee hour.

#### **Announcements:**

- The **parish's annual anniversary dinner** will be held on Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tickets for the dinner are \$10 for adults and Sunday school students are free. Please see Tammy Zimmerman or Linda Dantinne for tickets. If you would like to bring in a food item for the dinner, please see the sign-up sheet in the community room.
- Parents of church school students are asked to stop by the candle stand to fill out a registration form (new students) or use the sign-up sheet (returning students).
- There will be a **meeting of the church council today, October 27**th, after coffee hour.

## **Special Announcement:**

• It is important that every Orthodox Christian go to confession. We offer general confession the first Sunday of each month, and Private Confession after Vespers by appointment on Saturday evenings. Next Sunday is the first Sunday in November and the return to Standard Time. You can use the extra time to participate in general confession.

## **Sunday Bulletin**

#### **Reminders:**

- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, can be submitted by E-Mail to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org
- Upcoming bulletins can also be sponsored by using the signup sheet at the candle stand. If using the signup sheet, please give two weeks' notice.
- 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 Nestor of Thessalonica:

The Holy Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica suffered in the year 306 in the city of Thessalonica together with the Great Martyr Demetrius of Thessalonica (October 26).

Having fought the good fight, you won immortal glory: Through the prayers of the martyr Demetrios you became a perfect soldier of Christ.

Therefore, O wise Nestor, do not cease to intercede together with Demetrios For the salvation of us all!

Kontakion Martyr Nestor - Tone3

## To read more about the saints remembered today, see:

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Glory to Jesus Christ



Glory Forever

Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica

Your holy martyr Nestor, O Lord,
Through his sufferings has received an incorruptible crown from You, our God.
For having Your strength, he laid low his adversaries,
And shattered the powerless boldness of demons.
Through his intercessions, save our souls!

Troparion Martyr Nestor - Tone 4

## **Today the Church remembers:**

Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica (ca. 306) • Ven. Nestor the Chronicler of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—ca. 1114) • Uncovering of the Relics of St. Andrew, Prince of Smolensk (1540) • Martyrs Capitolina and Erotheis of Cappadocia (304) • Martyr Mark and those with him, on the Isle of Thasos

## October 27, 2019

19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Tone 2** of the Octoechos 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke