

**Bulletin sponsors this week.****For the health of:**

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

**For the memory of:**

Recently departed **Dorothy** Grozio, cousin of MaryAnn Kuzemchak

**Readings:** **II Corinthians 11:31-12:9** (*19th Sunday after Pentecost*)

[Hebrews 13:7-16](#) (*St. John Kochurov*)

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

[Luke 12:32-40](#) (*St. John Kochurov*)

**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.

**Sunday Service:**

**Hours - 9:40 AM**

**Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM**

Covid restrictions have been lifted, but **those that are not fully vaccinated are still requested to wear a mask.**

**Coffee hour - after 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 will meet today, October 31<sup>st</sup>. The meeting schedule for next month will be Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Announcement:**

- We will continue the special collections for “Hurricane Ida Relief”. The proceeds will be distributed to those in need across the Diocese.
- **Archbishop Michael** will be with us Sunday, November 7, 2021. After Divine Liturgy on Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, the Sisterhood will be having a luncheon at a local restaurant. For information please contact Maribeth Romanofsky.
- Remember to set your clocks back an hour on the 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Donations are being accepted for an outdoor chairlift to be used on our steps.

**Reminders:**

- If you are unable to attend church, 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, can be submitted by email to: [Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org](mailto: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 email 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.

**Priestmartyr John Kochurov:**

You were revealed to all as a true shepherd  
 O Hieromartyr John of Chicago,  
 for you nurtured your people in the Orthodox Faith,  
 guiding them by word and deed on the path of salvation,  
 and defended the Faith even unto the shedding of your blood.  
 Therefore, we, your spiritual children, cry out in thanksgiving:  
 Glory to Him who gave you strength!  
 Glory to Him who granted you the Martyr's crown!  
 Glory to Him who through you grants mercy to all!

Troparion – Tone 1

As you zealously fulfilled your pastoral service,  
 you brought your soul to God as a well-pleasing sacrifice, O Father John  
 Entreat Christ God to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion – Tone 8

Now the holy Hieromartyr is glorified,  
 for he took up his cross and followed Christ.  
 In so doing, he gave us a model of true discipleship.  
 Therefore, let us cry aloud to him:  
 Rejoice, O Father John, the glory of priests!

Kontakion – Tone 3

To read more about the saints remembered today, see:  
<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2021/10/31>

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<https://nynjoca.org/>

and the website of the Orthodox Church in America:

<https://www.oca.org/>

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Priestmartyr John Kochurov

Glory to Jesus  
Christ

Glory  
Forever

*Aflame with love for God, you gave your life as a martyr for Christ and neighbor,  
 for this you received a crown of righteousness from Him.*

*Hieromartyr John, entreat the most Merciful God*

*to preserve the Holy Church in peace and to save our souls.*

Troparion – Tone 1

**Today the Church remembers:**

**Hieromartyr Archpriest John Kochurov (1917)** ● Apostles of the Seventy: Stachys, Amplias, Urban, Narcissus, Apelles, and Aristobulus (1st c.) ● Martyr Epimachus of Alexandria (250) ● Ven. Spyridon and Nikódēmos the Prospora-bakers, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—12th c.) ● St. Maura of Constantinople (5th c.)

October 31, 2021

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

Tone 2 of the Octoechos