There are no bulletin sponsors this week.

Readings:I Timothy 2:1-7 (Liturgical New Year)I Corinthians 4:9-16 (10th Sunday after Pentecost)Colossians 3:12-16 (Saint Simeon)Luke 4:16-22 (Liturgical New Year)Matthew 17:14-23 (10th Sunday after Pentecost)Matthew 11:27-30 (Saint Simeon)

**Brethren,** God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

At that time, when they came to the crowd, a man came up to him and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day." And they were greatly distressed.

#### **Sunday Services:**

Hours - 9:40 AMDivine Liturgy - 10:00 AMGeneral Confession - 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month<br/>Private Confession - by appointment, contact Fr Matthew<br/>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 has ended for the summer.

Sunday school classes will begin again on September 15<sup>th</sup>. New student registration forms for Sunday school are available at the candle stand. (For new students only)

### **Announcements:**

- We would thank Fr. Dennis for serving with us last Sunday.
- The next meeting of the parish council will be Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, after coffee hour.
- The **Sisterhood** of the Protection of the Mother of God will be celebrating their **feast day** on Sunday **October 6**<sup>th</sup> with a luncheon at a neighborhood restaurant, after the Liturgy. All sisters are invited to attend. Please notify Maribeth Romanofsky or Mat. Holly Dawson if you would like to attend.

### **Reminders:**

- The **Sisterhood's food drive** is ongoing. Donation bins are located both downstairs and in the back of the church. Please be generous. Thank you!
- Please remember the citizens of Ukraine in your prayers. And please continue to pray for peace in the Middle East.
- 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. (There is also a donation basket at the candle stand. Or a **Venmo account** can be used for donations to our parish. It is at <u>https://venmo.com/u/Hala-Dawson</u>)

- Announcements or Prayer Requests for the bulletin, should be submitted by email to: <u>Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org</u>
- 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.

### **Church New Year (Indiction):**

O Creator and Master of time and the ages, Triune and Merciful God of all: grant blessings for the course of this year, and in Thy boundless mercy save those who worship Thee and cry out in fear: "O Savior, grant blessings to all mankind!"

Kontakion - Tone 4

### Saint Simeon Stylites, the Elder:

You were a pillar of patient endurance, having imitated the forefathers, O Venerable One: Job in suffering, and Joseph in temptations. You lived like the bodiless ones while yet in the flesh, O Simeon, our Father. Beseech Christ God that our souls may be saved.

Troparion - Tone 1

Seeking the things of the Highest, and having made your pillar a fiery chariot, you were joined to the heights. Therefore, you have become a companion to the angels, O Venerable One, and with them you are praying incessantly to Christ God for us all. Kontakion – Tone 2

To read about the saints remembered today, see: <u>https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/09/01</u>

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Attached Deacon



Glory forever

# Jesus Christ

Glory to

Church New Year

O Creator of the universe, Thou didst appoint times by Thy power; bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord. Preserve in safety Thy rulers and cities: and through the intercessions of the Theotokos, save us!

Tone 2-Troparion

# September 1, 2024

**Today the Church remembers:** 

Church New Year (Indiction) ● St. Simeon the Stylite (the Elder) and his mother, Ven. Martha (ca. 428) ● Martyr Aithalas of Persia (380) ● Holy Forty Women Martyrs and Martyr Ammon the Deacon, their teacher, at Heraclea in Thrace (4<sup>th</sup> c.) ● Martyrs Callista and her brothers, Evodius and Hermogenes, at Nicomedia (309) ● Righteous Joshua the Son of Nun (16<sup>th</sup> c. B.C.) ● Synaxis of the Mother of God in the Miasenga Monastery (commemorating the finding of her Icon there—864) ● "Chernigov-Gethsemane" Icon of the Mother of God (1869)

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 1 of the Octoechos