

**The bulletin is sponsored this week for:****The health of:**

**William** Kuzemchak, son of MaryAnn and Bill, offered by his family.

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**Readings:** **II Corinthians 1:21-2:4** (*14th Sunday after Pentecost*)

[I John 4:12-19](#) (*St. John*)

**Luke 5:1-11** (*1st Sunday of Luke*)

[John 19:25-27; 21:24-25](#) (*St. John*)

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**Brethren,** it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith.

For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

**At that time,** Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

**Sunday Service:****Hours - 9:40 AM****Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM**

We will no longer be taking temperatures when you enter the Church and signing up for services is no longer necessary. Services are open to all.

**Those that are not fully vaccinated are still requested to wear a mask.**

**Church School**

Sunday school will meet next Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The meeting schedule for October is as follows: Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, and Oct 31<sup>st</sup>.

Parents of Sunday school students should check their email for the meeting times of their children's classes.

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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:**

- **Archbishop Michael** will be with us on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, November 7, 2021. He did not visit us last year due to Covid restrictions. It will be wonderful to have him visit with us this year!
- Donations are being accepted for an outdoor chairlift to be used on our steps.
- 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.

**Reminders:**

- 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.

**Rest of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian:**

*Who can tell of your greatness,  
O virgin disciple?*

*You pour forth miracles, and are a fountain of healing,  
and you intercede for our souls as a Theologian and the friend of Christ.*

Kontakion – Tone 2

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

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2021/09/26>

**The Protection of our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary** is this Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Read about this feast day here:

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2021/10/01/102824-the-protection-of-our-most-holy-lady-the-mother-of-god-and-ever>

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<https://nynjoca.org/>

**and the website of the Orthodox Church in America:**

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

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**Glory to Jesus  
Christ**

**Glory  
Forever**

Rest of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John  
the Theologian

*O Apostle beloved of Christ God,  
hasten to deliver a defenseless people.*

*He Who permitted you to recline on His breast  
receives you as you bow before Him;*

*entreat Him, O Theologian,*

*to dispel the persistence of the heathen, and to grant us peace and great mercy.*

Troparion – Tone 2

**Today the Church remembers:**

**Rest of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian (2nd c. • Ven.**

**Ephraim, Abbot of Perekóp, Wonderworker of Novgorod (1492)**

**September 26, 2021**

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

1st Sunday of Luke

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