(There were no bulletin sponsors this week.)

Readings:

II Corinthians 4:6-15 (St Chariton)

II Corinthians 6:1-10 (16th Sunday after Pentecost)

Luke 6:17-23 (St Chariton)

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

Brethren, working together with him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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 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.

<u>Sunday school classes meet every Sunday.</u> Please see your child's teacher for meeting times.

Announcements:

- There will be a quick meeting of the **Parish Council today**, **September 28**th after Coffee Hour.
- Next Sunday, October 5th, the Sisterhood of the Protection of the Mother of God will be celebrating their **feast day** with a **luncheon** after Divine Liturgy at a local restaurant. All women of the parish are invited to attend, even those who are not Sisterhood members. Please see Mat. Holly Dawson or Maribeth Romanofsky for more details.

Reminders:

- 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.

Venerable Chariton the Confessor, Abbot of Palestine:

You delighted in the monastic life, divinely-wise one and conquered the bodily passions; you increased in faith, blossoming as the tree of life in the midst of Paradise, most blessed and holy Chariton!

Kontakion - Tone 2

Communion Hymn:

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps. 148:1)

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

He shall not fear evil tidings. (Ps. 111:6)

Alleluia, Alleluia!

To read about the saints remembered today, see:

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2025/09/28

What is the "Lukan Jump"?

https://churchmotherofgod.org/terminologies/the-lukan-jump/

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Glory to Jesus Christ



Glory Forever

Venerable Chariton the Confessor,
Abbot of Palestine

By a flood of tears you made the desert fertile, and your longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance. By the radiance of miracles you illumined the whole universe! Our Father Chariton, pray to Christ God to save our souls!

Tone 8-Troparion

September 28, 2025

Today the Church remembers:

Ven. Chariton the Confessor, Abbot of Palestine (ca. 350) • Synaxis of the Saints of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves) • Ven. Kharitón of Syanzhémsk (Vologdá—1509) • Ven. Herodion, Abbot, of Iloezérsk (1541) • Prophet Baruch (6th c. B.C.) • Martyrs Alexander, Alphius, Zosimas, Mark, Nicon, Neon, Heliodorus, and 24 others in Pisidia and Phrygia (4th c.) • Martyrdom of St. Wenceslaus (Viachesláv), Prince of the Czechs (935) • Schema-monk Cyril and Schema-nun Maria, the parents of Saint Sergius of Radonezh (parents of Ven. Sergius of Rádonezh)

16th Sunday after Pentecost 1st Sunday of Luke

Tone 7 of the Octoechos