

August 16, 2020



SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
231 Pacific Avenue
Jersey City, New Jersey 07304-3329

AUGUST 9, 2020 COLLECTIONS

Sunday.....\$777.00 Donations.....\$385.00 Candles.....\$46.00
Holy Days.....\$60.00 Fuel/AC.....\$45.00 **Total.....\$1,313.00**

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Confessions: 10.00-10.30
on Sundays or by appointment
Sunday Liturgy: 10.30AM
Sick Calls: As scheduled,
or anytime in case of an emergency
Readings and Music on August 16:
1 Corinth 9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35
Tone 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Happy Patronal Feast to the Parish!** Dear parish family, happy feast of the Dormition to all of you, your family members, your beloved ones. Mother of God is our protectress to whom we lift often our prayers. May She intercede for us and keep us under her protection.
- **The blessing of the flowers** on the feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God will take place after Panachida.
- **300 club.** 6th week winner is Paul Stasko.
- **The tour with the miraculous icon.** As announced at the beginning of the year 2020, the miraculous icon Albazhinskaya will travel to our parish and will be exposed for the veneration from August 27th through September 10th. A special service will be held on Wednesday, September 2, at 7pm. This icon is especially known as Helpers of Mothers, but we can pray for any need in front of this icon.
- **Bishop's Appeal Goal Reached.** Since our parish reached the goal of the last Bishop's appeal, we received %40 of the total and thus it is a consistent help for our parish: 1,240.00. Thanks again for your generous contributions that helps our parish to face everyday needs. May God bless you and reward you abundantly!
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WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We welcome all new members to our parish family and hope you will become an active part of our parish community by participating fully in our spiritual and social life. We are delighted to welcome you! With faith, hope, and love as we continue our journey together,

Fr. Gregory and parish family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AUGUST 9-16

Sunday August 16 – *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

8.00am – Divine Liturgy, parish families of St John's and St Mary's (St John's)
10.30am – Divine Liturgy, +John Salapka, w Panachida, by Michael Salapka (St Mary's)

Tuesday August 18 – *Florus and Laurus Martyrs*

6.00pm – Divine Liturgy, special intention (St John's)

Friday August 21 – *Thaddeus Apostle*

12.00pm – Divine Liturgy, parishioners' intentions (St Mary's)

Saturday August 22 – *Agathonicus and Other Martyrs*

4.00pm – Divine Liturgy, special intention (St John's)

Sunday August 23 – *Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

8.00am – Divine Liturgy, parish families of St John's and St Mary's (pro populo) (St John's)
10.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Turner Green, w Panachida, by Bendick family (St Mary's)

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

In 1981 there was an attempt on the life of Pope John Paul II. Fortunately, the Pope lived. After he recovered, he shocked the world when he made a visit to prison to see the man who had attempted to assassinate him on Christmas day. Millions watched on television as the Pope visited with Mehmet Ali Agca, who only two years before had tried to assassinate him. The white-robed Pope and jean-clad terrorist huddled in the dark prison cell for 20 minutes, talking in low voices that could not be heard. When he emerged John Paul explained, "I spoke to a brother whom I have pardoned." The headline the next week in Time Magazine, "Why forgive?" appeared. That is a good question, one that has been asked for centuries. It was asked by Peter in verse 21 of the passage that was read this morning. If you have not asked the question; wait, you will someday.