

August 30, 2020



SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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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 30:**  
1 Corinth 16:13-24; Matthew 21:33-42  
Tone 4

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 30-SEPTEMBER 6

**Sunday August 30** – *Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

10.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Michael Bendick, w Panachida, by Zofia Paulen (St Mary's)  
4.00pm – Divine Liturgy, monthly devotion to Bl Miriam Teresa Demjanovich (St John's)

**Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>** – *Deposition of the Cincture of Theotokos*

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

**Tuesday September 1<sup>st</sup>** – *Simeon Venerable*

8.00am – Akathistos to the Mother of God (St Mary's)

**Wednesday September 2<sup>nd</sup>** – *Mammas Martyr*

7.00pm – Special Celebration: Mary Helper of Mothers Icon (St Mary's)

**Friday September 4<sup>th</sup>** – *Babylas Bishop Martyr*

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

**Saturday September 5<sup>th</sup>** – *Zachary Prophet and Elizabeth*

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

**Sunday September 6<sup>th</sup>** – *Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

8.00am – Divine Liturgy, parish families of St John's and St Mary's (St John's)

10.30am – Divine Liturgy, deceased Baloga and Gerzanich Families (St Mary's)

AUGUST 23, 2020 COLLECTIONS

Sunday.....\$127.00	Donations.....\$160.00	Candles.....\$54.00
Holy Days.....\$10.00	Debt Reduction.....\$30.00	Bishop Ap rebate.....\$1,240.00
		<b>Total.....\$1,621.00</b>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **300 club.** 8<sup>th</sup> week winner is B. Panariello.
- **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 27<sup>th</sup> through September 10<sup>th</sup>. 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.
- **Please remember in your prayers the ill and homebound:** Fr Marcel, Fr Michael, Elizabeth, Helen, Elizabeth, Helen, Judy. If you know of someone to include in this list, please let us know.
- **Online giving.** The Eparchy of Passaic has offered the service of online giving on its website. It will not be available starting August 31, 2020. St Mary's will be set up very soon with her own online giving using tithe.ly. Please follow the updates in the bulletin and/or website: www.stmaryjerseycity.org. Thank you all for your very generous contributions especially during these difficult times.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

This parable is a thinly veiled account of the story of creation, the fall, the history of Israel and redemption. The chief priests and the Pharisees, to whom Jesus addressed his remarks, were no doubt aware of the description of the unproductive vineyard in Is. 5:1-7. They certainly know about the treatment given to the prophets. This was done so often to God's messengers who called the people to repent and return to God. Now, the Father had taken the final step. He had not just sent words of Wisdom but Wisdom itself, His only Son, proclaiming the same message – that they return back to the Lord. St. Paul says, "Behold! Now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:2). Let us begin anew. (Sept. 1 is the beginning of the church year). Let us begin now.

"Father, I thank you that in Your great love you have given us Your words of wisdom. I thank you especially for Your blessed Son, the wisdom of God, Jesus Christ. I want Him to be the cornerstone of my life. Through the power of the Spirit may this new church year be the acceptable time – the time of my salvation.