

September 27, 2020



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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 September 27:
2 Corinth 6:16-7:1; Luke 5:1-11
Tone 8

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 SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 4

Sunday September 27th – *Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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

Thursday October 1st – *Protection of the Theotokos (Pokrov)*

12.00pm – Divine Liturgy, special intention (St Mary's)
5.00pm – Divine Liturgy, special intention (St John's)

Friday October 2nd – *Cyprian Bishop-Martyr*

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

Saturday October 3rd – *Denis the Areopagite*

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

Sunday October 4th – *Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

8.00am – Divine Liturgy, parish families of St John's and St Mary's (St John's)
10.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Robert J. Kuzma, w Panachida, by Mary and Betty Bendick (St Mary's)

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 COLLECTIONS

Sunday.....\$316.00	Donations.....\$160.00	Candles.....\$40.00
Holy Days.....\$125.00	Monthly.....\$75.00	Fuel/AC.....\$15.00
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **300 club.** 12th week winner is Catherine Securda. This week there is the big drawing that will take place after the Divine Liturgy.
- **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 the Father know.
- **St Mary's Online Giving Set Up.** Dear parishioners and friends, all the parishes have been encouraged by the Eparchy to set up an online giving. It was due mainly to the low attendance caused by the pandemics and thus offer an option for the church giving. This week at St Mary's we started to use tithe.ly, which is also used by several parishes of the Eparchy of Passaic as well as by many other congregations around the country. Our main checking account, where also the regular Sunday collections are deposited each week, has been set for this online giving. If you wish to make your contribution to St Mary's online, just go to our website (www.stmaryjerseycity.org), find in the header "donate", and insert the requested information. Online giving is an option. Many of you give your contributions during Sunday Liturgy or send them in mail. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and it helps St Mary's to pay the bills and face other eventual expenses. May God reward you abundantly for your generosity!
- **Bulletins Available Online.** Dear parishioners and friends, the bulletins are mailed but they are also available online on our website regularly. Just click on the section "weekly bulletin" in the header on our website: www.stmaryjerseycity.org

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

Peter's attention quickly turns from his good fortune to his sinfulness, a sinfulness accented even more when contrasted with the power of this holy man Jesus. And as the very human, weak Peter suddenly and unexpectedly encounters the loving, holy power of Jesus, he does not drop the fish and run, nor does he fight to control himself or manipulate the situation.

Peter does not try to appropriate Jesus' blessings for himself, nor does he seek to maintain Jesus' favor for his own material gain or personal status. Peter drops to his knees, out of control, and offers an unsolicited confession of guilt and fear—and perhaps confused *hopefulness*. For this, he is reassured, forgiven, and summoned to a new vocation, a new relationship with the Lord (*Brief reflection on Luke 5:1-11*)