

**Sunday 15th of October 2023**

**VENERABLE EUTHYMIUS THE NEW OF THESSALONICA,  
AND MONK OF MOUNT ATHOS**

**Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 6:1-10**

**Troparion – Tone 8**

**The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Father, / for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. / By doing you taught us to disregard the flesh for it passes away / but to care instead of the soul, since it is immortal. / Therefore, your spirit, venerable Euthymius, rejoices with the angels.**

We pray for our entire church family and those who do not have a family or church family, and our special prayers are for the sick and suffering and for the health and salvation of others:

The Archpriests Samuel and Joseph, Archimandrite Joseph, Protospesbyter Christos, the priest Gregory, Mark Benda, Matushka Ellen, Emily Anastasia, Gabriel, Zoe, Matushka Svetlana, Karen, Edward, Nadine, Michelle, Alexander, Luis Ramon, Anastasia, Sophia Eptamenitis, Edward, Taisa, Konstance Engelsman, Maria Higginbotham, Valentina Bobrowski, Anna Konoleva, Erika Dobrzynski, Douglas Dobrzynski, Andrew John Lihou, Marie Biancarelli, Joshua and Daniel Buccieri, Emma Matthews, Stephanie, Kristy, Victor Szemetylo, Helen, Bonnie Shaffner, Helen Schweizer, Zoran Pejovic, Sunny Hunsicker, Ioana, Carmen, Michael, John, Sarah, Linda, Pamela Anne and Kimberly Marie, JoAnne, Beatrice, Christina, Orestes, Julia, Adrian, Sonya, Biljana, Irene, Dorothy, Pauline and Irene.  
Amen!!!

**\*\*\* To amend the prayer list, speak with Mary Osinski\*\*\***

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**October 15th, 2023**

VENERABLE EUTHYMIUS THE NEW OF THESSALONICA, AND MONK OF MOUNT ATHOS - Saint Euthymius the New of Thessalonica and Mt Athos, in the world was named Nicetas, and he was a native of the city of Ancyra in Galatia. His parents, Epiphanius and Anna, led virtuous Christian lives, and from childhood their son was meek, pious and obedient. At age seven he was left fatherless and he soon became the sole support of his mother in all matters. Having entered military service, Nicetas married, on the insistence of his mother. After the birth of a daughter, he secretly left home in order to enter a monastery. For fifteen years the venerable Euthymius lived the ascetic life on Mount Olympus, where he learned monastic deeds from the Elders. The monk went to resettle on Mount Athos. On the way he learned that his mother and wife were in good health. He informed them that he had become a monk, and he sent them a cross, calling on them to follow his example. On Mt Athos he was tonsured into the Great Schema and lived for three years in a cave in total silence, struggling with temptations. Saint Euthymius also lived for a long time as a stylite, not far from Thessalonica, instructing those coming to him for advice and healing the sick. The monk cleansed his mind and heart to such an extent that he was granted divine visions and revelations. At the command of the Lord, Saint Euthymius founded two monasteries in 863 on Mount Peristeros, not far from Thessalonica, which he guided for 14 years, with the rank of deacon. In one of these his wife and mother received monastic tonsure. Before his death he settled on Hiera, an island of Mt Athos, where he reposed in 898. His relics were transferred to Thessalonica. Saint Euthymius is called “the New” to distinguish him from Saint Euthymius the Great (January 20).

## Service Schedule

**Great Vespers:** 5pm Saturdays

**Hours:** 9:45am Sundays

**Divine Liturgy:** 10:00am Sundays

**Confessions:** Will be heard every Saturday evening after Vespers or by appointment.

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## Dates to Remember

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of October**  
**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> of October**  
**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of October**  
**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of October**  
**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> of October**  
**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> of October**  
**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS!

### Visitors Welcome

After Sunday's Divine Liturgy, you are invited to join us for light refreshment in the parish hall. You'll find a friendly welcome, good conversation, and ask any questions you may have.

### Memory Eternal

Pani Mary Buletza fell asleep in the Lord on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. A Burial Service took place at 10 am on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and grave side service at St. John's Orthodox Church Cemetery in Perth Amboy at noon, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. May her memory be eternal!

### New Catechumen

Travis Neisler became catechumen on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of October. Please keep the catechumens Travis, Joan, Edgar and Olivia in your prayers.

### Sincere Thanks

Thank you all who dedicated their time and effort to come and help with this year's Applefest. I am happy to inform that this year Apple Fest was a big success and we raised approximately 3500\$ for the Church.

### Jacobs Well

New addition of Jacobs Well is available at our Church. Please take your free copy and if you desire an additional copy for a friend or a family member.

### Desk Calendar

Orthodox Church in America's 2024 Desk Calendars are now available. If you wish to download a copy for yourself please follow the link: <https://www.oca.org/news/headline-news/orthodox-church-in-americas-2024-desk-calendar-now-available>

### Retreat for OCA Widows of Clergy, November 7<sup>th</sup>

On Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 1:30 pm Eastern Time, Mother Christophora of the Orthodox Monastery of the Transfiguration, Elwood City, PA will present a ZOOM retreat for widows of clergy titled: "Illness and Aging." For more information, please follow the link: <https://www.oca.org/news/headline-news/retreat-for-oca-widows-of-clergy-november-7-illness-aging>

### Food Donation Cart

The need to continue to assist those in need continues and we ask that when you are shopping, please remember those who are less fortunate. Dan Taylor informed us that the current needs of Sussex Help Center are the following: peanut butter, jelly, tuna fish cans, cereal boxes, and baby diapers (size newborn to 6-month-old).

### Have an item for the bulletin?

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