

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Holy Martyr Myron-- August 17th

Say To this Mountain, Move

The disciples seem to me to be in anxiety and fear that they had lost the grace with which they had been entrusted. For they had received power over unclean demons.

So they approached Him in private and asked Him the question, not out of shame (for if the matter had got out and they were criticized, it would have been superfluous for the future to have been ashamed of admitting it in their words) but because what they were going to ask Him was secret and of great moment.

What, then, does Christ say? "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here

to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you." But if you say "Where did they move a mountain?" I will say that they did things much greater than that in raising up innumerable dead. For moving a mountain and moving death from a body are not at all comparable.

After them, other saints, far inferior to the disciples, are said to have moved mountains when necessity demanded. It is clear that the disciples also would have done so had necessity demanded. But if there was never need at that time, do not find fault with them.

St. John Chrysostom



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Divine Liturgy Schedule: Saturday, August 23rd, at 4:00pm, and Saturday, August 30th, at 4:00pm

PATRONAGE CHURCH SERVICES SCHEDULE

| Date | Time | Service | Intention |
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| 10 th Sunday After Pentecost 8.17.2025 | 9:00am | Divine Liturgy | For the Repose of the Soul of: +Paul Yackanicz From: Regina Yackanicz |
| 11 th Sunday After Pentecost 8.24.2025 | 9:00am | Divine Liturgy | For Health and Salvation of Parishioners |
| Beheading of John the Baptist Thursday, 8.28.2025 | 6:00pm | Vigil Divine Liturgy | For Health and Salvation of Parishioners |

10th Sunday After Pentecost

Today's Propers are on a handout, and can be found on the shelf in the Narthex.

HOLY MYSTERY OF REPENTANCE: Confession is available beginning an hour before Divine Liturgy, and ending 15 minutes before the start of services.

HOLY COMMUNION AND VISITATION OF THE SICK: Holy Communion can be brought to parishioners who are ill, in the hospital, or at home. If you would like to receive Communion, or a visit by either Fr. Vasyl or Deacon Tony, you can send the church an email, and let us know, or contact either one personally.

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na v'iki! Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: The people of Ukraine, that peace may be soon be restored to their land, our parishioners, the founders of our parish, our benefactors, those who are sick, and those who cannot make it to church. Also, Fr. Vasyl Symyon, Tony Kotlar, Jr., Clyde Wood, Mary Hrinda, Michael Demyan, Michael Skovran, Georgianna Kostak, Sandra Suseck, Mary Ann Ondrish, Betty Charlock, Elizabeth Hresko, John Hanyok, Ann Marie Elwell, James DeWolfe, Clara Valeika, Caroline and Joe Belensky, Kay Dinko, Doris Ruszin, Veronica Ruszin, Anna Martin, Joseph Repasi, Mary Jo Kelly Wilhelm, Howard Guba, Melanie Copper, Julie Wiegand, our first responders, and all military service men and women throughout the world. **Please help us keep our prayer list up to date. Let us know if we need to remove or add a name by sending an email to our church. Thank you for your help!**

*May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies,
grant them peace and good health for many blessed years!*

You honor God and our Church by continuing to tithe each week. A collection basket is on the table in the back of our Temple for your weekly donation. You may also mail your donation to our church, or donate using Tithe.ly online at: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2346733>. The link is also on the first page of our website.

“Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth” (Dt. 8:18).

PATRONAGE SOCIAL: Please join us in our social hall after Divine Liturgy today for some light refreshments, and parish fellowship. Just a reminder, these socials are self-funded. A basket is on the table with the refreshments for your donation. Thank you for any donation you can contribute.

MAINTENANCE MINISTRY MEETING: Thank you to those who participated in our Zoom meeting this past week. Any questions, please email Kevin Ross at keviross@gmail.com.

METROPOLITAN ASSEMBLY PRESENTATION: During our festal luncheon on October 5th, Kevin Ross will share with us his presentation given at the Metropolitan Assembly in July entitled: "Improving Our Parishes' Online Presence". All are welcome and we look forward to you joining us!

ALTAR SERVER CANDLESTICKS NEEDED: We are blessed to have so many altar servers, and are looking to purchase additional candlesticks. If you would like to make a donation towards the purchase of these candlesticks, or if you have any questions, please contact Fr. Vasyl. Your check can be made payable to: Patronage Church. Cash will also be accepted. Your generous donation will be included in a yearly tax letter distributed at the end of January, 2026. We appreciate any donation you can contribute towards the purchase of these candlesticks.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: We welcome all new visitors, to our parish family, and are happy you are joining us to share in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and hope you will become an active part of our parish community. We receive the Body and Blood of Christ in our mouth by spoon; please DO NOT stick out your tongue. All Catholics may receive the Eucharist if you are in good-standing and prepared. If you would like to be added to our parish email list, send us an email at patronage.church@gmail.com. **If you want to make us your home church, parish, registration is the OFFICIAL way to join our church.** Simply complete a census form that is located on the bookrack in the Narthex, or on our website, and either mail it to the church, or place it in the offertory basket in the back of our Temple. On-line donation information can be found under “Stewardship” in this bulletin.

“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples” (Isaiah 56:7).

PATRONAGE FLASH FREEZER SALE: We are currently selling *cheesecakes* - \$15/each; *specialty pirohi* - \$7.00/dozen, and *kolachi (nut and poppyseed)* - \$15/each. If you would like to purchase any of these items, please see Mary Demyan after Liturgy. Please help us clear out our freezer!

BETHANY MINISTRY: Thank you to everyone who attended last Sunday's very productive meeting to discuss our church's formation of the Bethany Ministry. This meeting was well attended, and many good ideas were brought forward. The next step is for Tim Herder and Kelley Wood to work on a rough set of goals for the next 12 months, and activities associated with those goals, particularly activities in the near term. If you were not able to attend the meeting, and would like to get involved in this ministry, please contact either Tim (timothyherder@gmail.com), or Kelley (m_k_wood@yahoo.com). More information will be forthcoming regarding this ministry.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOLUPKI MAKING: Please join us in making Holupki on **Friday, October 10th, and Saturday, October 11th, beginning at 9:00am**, for our upcoming Slavic Food Festival scheduled on November 22nd. No experience necessary. We will teacher you! Please contact Mary Demyan (mdemya1@verizon.net), if you are able to volunteer.

ICONOGRAPHY CLASS: Our church is, once again, offering an Iconography Class on **February 27th, 28th, and March 1, 2026**. The last icon class at Patronage Church was three days long, but a fourth day, March 2nd, will be available this session, if needed. Beginners will create an Icon of the Theotokos, while more advanced students may choose to work on an Icon of Christ. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kevin Ross at keviross@gmail.com, as soon as possible. Priority will be given to Patronage parishioners, after which registration will be open to members of other parishes.

LITURGY INTENTIONS: Dates are currently available if you would like to have a Liturgy intention. Forms are available either on our website, or on the bookrack in the Narthex. Completed forms can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to our church. Checks should be made payable to: Very Rev. Vasyl Symyon. Cash will also be accepted.

GCU: Are you a GCU member? If so, please email the church and let us know. We would like to make sure we have every member on our church's list. The GCU would like for us to let them know how many members are present when they sponsor a social/event. Your attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated! Any questions, please contact Dennis Kotula (dennis.kotula@gmail.com).

ST. NICHOLAS MINISTRY:

- 1. Patronage Greeters:** We are still looking for greeters to welcome new faces to our church. If you would like to volunteer, or have any questions, please contact Carol Herder (carolherder@msn.com), or Dan Bobby (dnmbobby@aol.com). You can also write you name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, in the Narthex, if you would like to volunteer. Thank you to those who have already signed up to volunteer!
- 2. Patronage Church Indoor Treasure/Bake Sale:** Thank you to those who have already donated items for our Treasure Sale. If anyone has items they would still like to donate (see list below), you can bring them when you come to Liturgy, and place them behind the partition in the social hall. We are also in need of volunteers on the day of our sale, **Saturday, September 20th, from 8:00am – 1:00pm**, and a few days before the sale to set up (dates/time to be announced). We will be including a bake table at our Treasure Sale, and are in need of donated pre-packaged baked goods. If you can volunteer and/or donate any baked goods, please contact either Sharon Kotula (kotulasharon@gmail.com), or Mary Demyan (mdemya1@verizon.net). Proceeds from our Treasure Sale will benefit church/rectory improvements. Thank you for your support!

Acceptable items for our Treasure Sale: Gently used or new toys/games, puzzles, sports equipment, knickknacks, linens, purses, dishes, silverware, bakeware, miscellaneous kitchen items, serving pieces, tools, garden items, small countertop appliances, clocks, storage containers, indoor/outdoor seasonal decorations, storage containers, jeans, t-shirts, jewelry, baskets, lamps, candles, framed pictures, new craft items/supplies, children's clothing, baby essentials, and small furniture. All items must be in clean/workable/usable condition.

ADULT ENRICHMENT MINISTRY: Our next session will take place on **Sunday, September 28th**, following Divine Liturgy in our social hall. The topic will be: "Divine Liturgy follow up – Part One." Hope you can join us! If you have any questions, please see Nancy Bobby.

DECREE ON THE HOLY MYSTERY OF REPENTANCE: Bishop Kurt Burnette issued a Decree, dated May 1, 2025, regarding cell phones and electronic devices in locations where the Holy Mystery of Reconciliation (Confession) is held. The Bishop's order: "All cell phones, both belonging to the priest or to a penitent must be left outside the confessional or be powered off. It is not enough to have it silenced. The same care should be exercised around other electronic devices that respond to audio commands or contain microphones such as smart speakers and other devices. Speakers that respond to verbal commands should never be near the confessional. A sign stating this rule will be prominently posted where the Mystery is celebrated with regularity."

Children's Corner

God Loves

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| perfect | patient | forever | trinity | creator |
| refuge | healer | loving | caring | christ |
| savior | father | peace | jesus | grace |
| lord | holy | king | son | |



All you can eat Maryland steamed crabs!!
 (Drinks and alcohol included. Please bring a side dish or dessert)

Name: _____

Number of Adults _____ x \$40 = \$_____ Number of Teens _____ x \$20 = \$_____

Non-crab eaters _____ x \$10 = \$_____ Number of Kids _____

TOTAL \$_____ Side Dish or Dessert: _____

Payment due Sept. 7th to Dennis Kotula. Make checks payable to Patronage Byzantine Catholic Church. You may also place in offertory basket or mail to the rectory.

ECF - CATECHETICAL SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST: We are currently working on this year's ECF program.

Please note the following:

1. Fr. Vasyl will be blessing teachers and students, during Divine Liturgy on Catechetical Sunday.
2. Parents, please register your children for ECF as soon as possible, so that we can order the necessary books/ materials needed for this year. The 2025-2026 registration forms are available on the shelf in the Narthex, and on our website. Completed forms can be placed in the offertory basket, or mailed directly to the rectory.
3. We are looking for volunteers to teach and/or substitute, so that we can better tailor the curriculum for the children in ECF.
4. If you happen to have any textbooks from this past school year, kindly bring them to church, and give them to Kevin Ross, so that they could be used, again.

If you are interested in teaching or substituting, or have any questions, please contact Kevin (keviross@gmail.com).

Thank you for your help!

PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
EASTERN CATHOLIC FORMATION (ECF) PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN REGISTRATION
2025-2026

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

TODDLER/PRE-K THRU 12TH GRADE

Parent's Name(s): _____ **Email Address:** _____

Home Address: _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Telephone # _____ **Mother's Cell #** _____ **Father's Cell #** _____

Parents, would you like to be an ECF teacher or substitute (please check one)? Yes ___ or No ___ Teacher or Substitute (please circle)
Teachers/Substitutes are required to complete the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic Safe Environment on-line program, which is valid for 5 years after completion.

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| Student's Full Name | Date of Birth | Grade | Name/County of School Attending |
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Allergies or Other Information: _____

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| Student's Full Name | Date/Place of Baptism | Date/Place of Chrismation | Date/Place of Eucharist |
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Emergency Contact (Name/Phone #): _____

Please return this registration form to Patronage Church by September 7th.

**91ST ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE
IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
AUGUST 30 & 31 | UNIONTOWN, PA**

Friday, August 29

- 6:30PM - COMPLINE and BLESSING OF WATER at Lourdes Shrine

Saturday, August 30

- 8:30AM-12PM - MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions) Location to be determined.
- 9:30AM - OPENING OF PILGRIMAGE, THIRD HOUR at Shrine Altar
- 10AM - Procession and DIVINE LITURGY at Shrine Altar | Welcome: Sister Susan Sisko, OSBM
- 1-5PM - MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions) Location to be determined.
- 1PM - MOLEBEN to Theotokos at Shrine Altar
- 2PM - CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE at Children's Tent | ORIENTATION for TEENS at Prayer Garden | MYSTERY OF ANOINTING at Shrine Altar | YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE (Lourdes Tent)
- 3PM - TEEN PILGRIMAGE at Prayer Garden
- 4PM - VESPERS with DIVINE LITURGY at Shrine Altar
- 7:30PM - Procession to Cemetery for Parastas with Teen Social After Parastas

Sunday, August 31

- 7:30AM - MATINS at Shrine Altar
- 8AM-12PM - MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions) Location to be determined.
- 9AM - DIVINE LITURGY at Slavonic Shrine Altar
- 11AM - DIVINE LITURGY at Vocations Shrine Altar
- 12-5PM - MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions) Location to be determined.
- 1PM - CHILDREN'S PROCESSION with Special Blessing for Youth & Young Adults from Lourdes Grotto to the Shrine Altar
- 2PM - ENRICHMENT SESSION - Trinity Center | BEREAVEMENT SESSION - Mausoleum | CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE at Children's Tent | TEEN PILGRIMAGE at Prayer Garden | YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE at Lourdes Tent | MYSTERY OF ANOINTING at Shrine Altar
- 3:45PM - Procession to Shrine Altar
- 4PM - DIVINE LITURGY Shrine Altar | Words of Gratitude: Sister Susan Sisko, O.S.B.M.
- 7:30PM - CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION *Beginning and ending at the Shrine Altar
 - CLOSING OF THE PILGRIMAGE - Following the Candlelight Procession:
 - TEEN SOCIAL Prayer Garden Area | YOUNG ADULT SOCIAL Lourdes Tent

Monday, September 1

- 9:30AM - DIVINE LITURGY at the Shrine Altar

For more information, visit Sisters of St. Basil at
<https://sistersofstbasil.org/>