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Patronage Church at Abingdon:

Church of St. Francis (Stone Chapel)

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Next Liturgy: 11/8/2020 at 3pm

Patronage Church at Hagerstown:

Chapel of St. Ann's Church

1525 Oak Hill Ave., Hagerstown, MD 21742

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 10/18	8:45am 9:00am	Arbutus Confession	In memory of +Marian Mitsak Requested by: Dr. Victor Haburchak
Friday 10/23	6:00pm Slavonic	Arbutus Confession	In memory of +Marie Cangelosi Requested by: Esquela Family
Sunday 10/25	10:00am 11:15am	Arbutus Confession	In memory of +Mary Jeanne Bailey Requested by: John & Ann Kordusky

This is the **20th Sunday after Pentecost**. Propers begin on page 135, Tone 3.

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki! Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

PRAYER INTENTIONS – PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Fr. Sam Lupico, Keiko Suseck, Arlene Duda, Clara Valeika, Caroline Belensky, Nancy Erdek, Kay Dinko, Andy Turian, Doris Ruszin, Anne Gupman, Joseph and Marie Repasi, Anna Martin, Marge Dulina, Paul Ruszin, Sr., Clyde Wood, Hank Zabka, and Loretta Kotula

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

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Patronage: 10/11/20 - \$1,505.50
Abingdon: 10/11/20 - \$110.00

NUMBER OF BELIEVERS:

Patronage: Matins - 13; Liturgy - 32
Abingdon: Liturgy: 20

During these challenging times, we thank those who have contributed to our church and for your dedication to our parish. If you would like to make a donation, using our online giving account, please visit our church's website for the Tithely link. ***“Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth” (Dt. 8:18).***

CONGRATULATIONS: Claudia Hrinda received the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation, and Holy Eucharist on 10/16/20. May God grant Claudia many Blessed years!

ECF AT HOME: A meeting will take place, with all ECF children and parents, following Divine Liturgy next Sunday, 10/25/20, in the church hall. We are hoping everyone can attend.

GREEK CATHOLIC UNION (GCU) SCHOLARSHIPS: The GCU will be accepting applications for their annual scholarship awards through December 31, 2020. Scholarships are available for GCU members who are college students or those studying in any secondary education program. There are also two athletic scholarships (1 female and 1 male) available for high school students. Visit www.GCUusa.com/pages/scholarships for more information.

HOW TO VOTE AS A CATHOLIC: With the upcoming election next month, visit www.parma.org, scroll down to the middle of the page, and click on *Catholic Voters Guide*, to view the document where you will find the non-negotiable issues and principles by which Catholics must vote.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS: The coffee maker was replaced in the church hall and our next *social hour*, after Divine Liturgy, is scheduled for 10/25/20. Come join us for lunch and a cup of coffee!

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. If you would like to be added to our parish email list, send us an email at patronage.church@gmail.com. ***“MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLES”*** (Isaiah 56:7).

2020 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: A copy of a letter, from Bishop Kurt, is enclosed with this bulletin. If you are able to donate to the *Bishop's Annual Appeal*, visit their website, www.eparchyofpassaic.com and click on PLEDGE NOW, or you can mail your donation to: Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic, Bishop's Annual Appeal, 445 Lackawanna Avenue, Woodland Park, NJ 07424. The 2020 Bishop's Appeal will run through December 31, 2020. Contributions will be accepted through the fiscal year ending June 2021.

"ASK THE DEACON" – THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: *What is the significance of using leavened bread, for communion, in Eastern Rite churches?*

ANSWER: Controversies over the use of leavened versus unleavened bread in the Divine Liturgy/Mass, which occurred in times past, were unfortunate, uncalled for and unchristian. For us, both are proper for the Eucharist. In scripture leaven has good and bad connotations in that a small amount grows and fills for good or evil (1Cor 5:6; Gal 5:9). The East uses this symbolism, that the kingdom of God/heaven is like leaven put in flour that in time becomes all leavened (Mat 13:33; Luk 13:21). Our Eucharist is in us the leaven, the body and blood of Christ, that fills us so that we may grow in Christ and then be the leaven that enriches everything with the Good news. As Jesus instructs us: "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to all creation" (Mar 16:15).

If you have a question pertaining to our Divine Liturgy, holy day, or perhaps something we do in the Byzantine Church, please send us an email at patronage.church@gmail.com and Deacon Tony will be happy to answer it! All are welcome to email the church a question.