



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Next Liturgy: TBD

PATRONAGE CHURCH SERVICES SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Service	Intention
19 th Sunday After Pentecost 10.8.2023	9:00am	Divine Liturgy	For the Intention of the Giver
Sunday of the Fathers of the Second Ecumenical Council 10.15.2023	9:00am	Divine Liturgy	For the Intention of the Giver

Today is the **19th Sunday After Pentecost.**

The Propers for today – Tone 2 – can be found on page 130 of the teal pew books.

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

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki! 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, Matthew Skovran, Mike Skovran, James DeWolfe, Clara Valeika, Caroline Belensky, Kay Dinko, Doris Ruszin, Veronica Ruszin, Anna Martin, Joseph and Marie Repasi, Mary Jo Kelly Wilhelm, Howard Guba, Missy Kakalec, Albert Ondrish, our first responders, and all military service men and women throughout the world.

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

STEWARDSHIP: (Donate at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2346733> – the link is also on our website)

Patronage Church (10.1.2023):
Offertory: \$2,040.04 Tithe.ly: \$185.00

“Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work” (2 Corinthians 9:6-8).

PATRONAGE CHURCH’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY: Many thanks to Dennis Kotula, and Mary & Alex Demyan for organizing this special occasion for our church’s anniversary. A good time was had by all!

Many thanks to the GCU for donating the cake for our church’s 50th Anniversary celebration last Sunday. Their generosity is truly appreciated. Please consider supporting this wonderful organization, as they help to support the Ruthenian Churches. Please visit their website at www.GCUusa.com.

PATRONAGE FACEBOOK PAGE: Do you have photos from our parish life that you would be willing to share? Patronage Church is an active congregation with a wide variety of events and activities. We’d like to share our communal life with others via our Facebook page. If you have any photos that you feel comfortable having on Facebook from festivals, ECF, liturgies, events, or relevant Eastern Catholic family activities, please send them to Kevin Ross at keviross@gmail.com. It’s a HUGE help in spreading the word about our wonderful congregation!

GREEK CATHOLIC UNION (GCU) SCHOLARSHIPS: The 2023-2024 GCU Scholarship Program is now open for both high school and college students. Please visit www.GCUusa.com, then click on “Scholarships for Students,” to access the applications. All applications must be competed online. To be eligible for a scholarship, the student must be a GCU member as of December 31, 2022, with either a permanent life certificate, or an annuity with a minimum balance of \$2,000.

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.

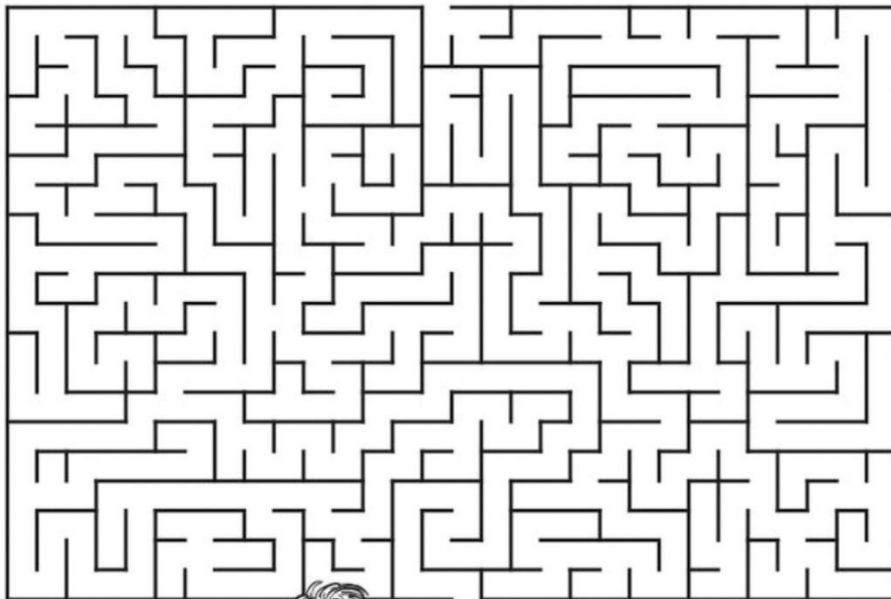
“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples” (Isaiah 56:7).

CHILDREN'S CORNER

"I AM" THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Follow Jesus, the Light of the World

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EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION PROGRAM: Following Divine Liturgy this morning, ECF will be meeting in the church social hall. Please see Loui Villanueva. If you have any questions, please email Loui Villanueva at villanuevaluxmundi@yahoo.com.

GOD WITH US ONLINE FREE WEBINARS: *Mark your calendars -*

“Speaking Truth to Power; An Introduction to the Holy Prophets,” will take place on Wednesdays, October 5th – 19th, from 8-9pm. Rev. Sebastian Carnazzo will be the presenter. *“Who were these holy prophets that “through faith conquered kingdoms... received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire... put armies to flight” (Cf Heb. 13:32-34)? Join them as you learn the stories of these great Old Testament saints with Fr. Sebastian. To register, visit www.godwithusonline.org.*

“O Joyful Light; An Introduction to Evening Prayer,” will take place on Wednesdays, November 2nd & 9th, from 8-9pm. Rev. David Anderson will be the presenter. *“From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised” (Ps. 113:3). The setting of the sun has always inspired the Church to turn to the Lord in prayer. Join us as Fr. David will teach us the importance and unique character of this special hour in the Church’s life of prayer. To register, visit www.godwithusonline.org.*

MT. ST. MACRINA CEMETERY, UNIONTOWN, PA, ANNOUNCEMENT: Dormition East and West Sections are now open for single or double plot purchase. Current pricing for each Dormition plot is \$1,500.00 through November 30, 2023. The required minimum down payment per plot is \$500.00. Full payment must be made 2 years from initial contract date. Full payment must be made prior to burial in plot(s). If interested in making a plot(s) purchase, please visit www.mtstmacrinacemetery.org, Menu; Offerings: Dormition. If you are in agreement with the policies, contact Sr. Seraphim at 412-559-8861 for purchase arrangements.

HELP WANTED - PATRONAGE CHURCH SLAVIC FOOD FESTIVAL - Saturday, November 18th: In order to continue with the success of our festivals, we will need many volunteers. If you have any questions or can volunteer, please contact Mary Demyan at mdemya1@verizon.net. Many hands make light work, so any help will be much appreciated. Please mark your calendar with the following festival dates/times:

Friday, October 6th, 12 noon - cabbage preparation (boil and remove spine on cabbage leaves)

Saturday, October 7th, 9am – make balls, roll the balls in cabbage leaves, cook, and freeze Holupki

Wednesday, November 15th, 9am – make and package Kolachi

Friday, November 17th, 9am – set-up for festival (including peeling and cubing potatoes)

Saturday, November 18th, 10am – 2pm – festival (we will also need help in cleaning up afterwards)

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR OUR UPCOMING FESTIVAL:

1. In looking ahead to our upcoming Slavic Food Festival, and to help offset costs, ***we are currently asking for donations of walnuts. We will need 40 pounds.*** They are \$7.98 for a 3lb bag at Sam’s Club, if you happen to be a member, and can purchase them there. If not, walnuts can be purchased at a store of your choice. If you do not want to shop, we will do the shopping for you with your donation of either cash or a check made payable to: Patronage Church. Thank you for any support you can provide!
2. **Festival Bake Sale:** We also ***need lots of donations of baked goods***, so start gathering your recipes. Specific details as to labeling, packaging, and pricing will follow closer to our festival. We are looking forward to another great festival!

SOCIAL HALL FREEZER: We are in the process of replacing one of our social hall freezers in time for our church festival. It has been repaired multiple times, and has become unreliable. We will keep you updated as to when we get a new one installed. ***If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of this freezer, we would appreciate any amount you could give. Many thanks to those who have already made a donation!***

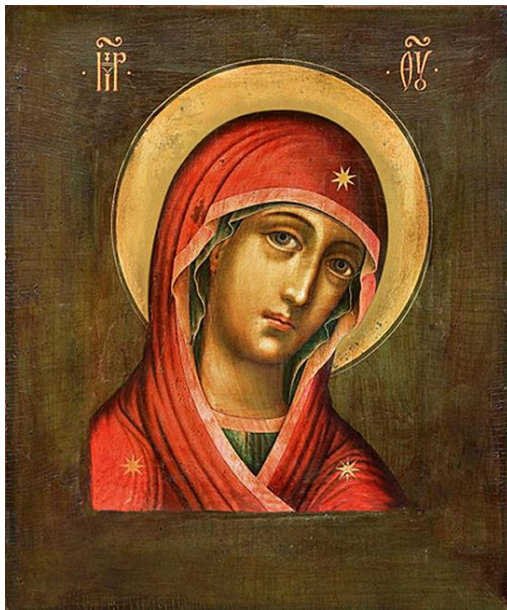
ANTIDORAN: The bread that is placed on the Tetrapod, after Divine Liturgy, is the Antidoran (“instead of the gifts”). This is the bread from the Prosphora that is blessed during the preparation of the gifts, but is not used for Liturgy. Traditionally, it was given to people who were not able to receive Communion. If you know someone who is unable to receive for whatever reason, please take them some.

BYZANTINE ICON PAINTING WORKSHOP: Patronage Church is having a Byzantine Icon Painting Workshop with Iconographer Wayne Hajos. Wayne painted many of our icons in our church and this is an excellent opportunity for spiritual growth in our faith!

The class will be held Saturday February 3rd/10th from 9am - 5pm and Sunday February 4th/11th from 11:30am - 7:30pm. The class fee will be \$250 with all supplies included.

No art experience is necessary, and we will paint an icon of our church's patron the Theotokos. To register, please send a deposit of \$50 by check with your name and email to: Wayne Hajos, 400 Symphony Circle #555, Hunt Valley, MD 21030. The additional \$200 will be due at the first class. Class size is limited to 20 students max and will be first come first serve! Registration will be closed on January 1st 2024! Those who register will receive periodic updates by email. As we get closer to date we'll figure out if there is interest in providing a meal each day of the class.

If you have any questions please reach out to our parishioner Kevin Ross at keviross@gmail.com or by text/phone at (570) 561-6540.



LITURGY INTENTIONS: If you would like to request an Intention, please either call or email Fr. Vasyl, and let him know. Intention forms are available on the bookrack, in the Narthex, or on our website. Checks should be made payable to: Fr. Vasyl Symyon. You can either mail your Intention request to the rectory, or place it in the offertory basket in the back of our Temple.

The Eparchy of Passaic is still accepting Stipends for Ukrainian priests. Stipend forms can be found on the bookrack in the Narthex, or on our church website. Make checks payable to: "Eparchy of Passaic." Our Eparchy will pay the administrative costs, so that 100% goes to a Ukrainian priest, and his family, who needs the help. Mail the Stipend sheet and your check to: Eparchy of Passaic, 445 Lackawanna Ave., Woodland Park, NJ 07424.

METROPOLITAN ASSEMBLY: Most Rev. William Skurla, Metropolitan Archbishop of Pittsburgh, have invited all clergy and faithful to the Assembly of the Byzantine (Ruthenian) Metropolitan Church at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, 1900 Brooks Boulevard, Hillsboro, NJ, 08844, **November 2-5, 2023**. The theme of this Assembly is *"Living Our Faith, Moving Forward, Appreciating Our Past."* Registration is now open. The Assembly cost is \$250 for individuals and \$400 for couples. The fee includes meals, breaks, presentations, materials, and the gala on Saturday evening. The Maria Theresa Foundation will underwrite the registration fees of individuals and couples between the ages of 18 and 35. Special rates for hotel accommodations have been arranged at the Hilton Garden Inn, 500 Promenade Boulevard, Bridgewater, NJ, 08807, and is a 15-minute drive to St. Mary's Church. Hotel registration deadline is September 30th. For more information, contact the Assembly coordinators, Fr. Ed Cimbala, at 212-677-0516 or Fr. Yuriy Oros at 609-394-5004. The assembly website is byzantineassembly2023.org, and the email address is byzantineassembly2023@gmail.com. **Registration deadline is October 1st!**

MID-ATLANTIC STATES SYNCOLLATE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: For those who submitted their names to receive an invitation for this event, at Epiphany Church in Annandale, VA, the celebration will take place on Sunday, **November 12th**, at 10am. Bishop Kurt will be in attendance and accompanied by Bishop Nil Luschak, OFM, Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of Mukachevo. Bishop Nil will be in the United States because he is scheduled to be a speaker at the Metropolitan Church Assembly and then for the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-elect Robert Pipta, and Enthronement as Sixth Eparchial Bishop of Parma.

A DOUBLE BLESSING: Mark your calendar! On **December 17th**, the Eparchy of Passaic will be celebrating two milestones. First, is the 60th Anniversary of the Canonical Establishment of the Eparchy of Passaic; and second is the 10th Anniversary of the Consecration of Bishop Kurt and his Installation as the 5th Bishop of Passaic! The day will begin at 3pm with gratitude and prayer through the celebration of a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel in Passaic, NJ, followed by a cocktail hour and dinner at the nearby Venetian Banquet Facility, in Garfield, NJ. **All the faithful in the Eparchy of Passaic are invited to attend. RSVP is due by November 17th. Please see the attached flyer, with this bulletin, for more information, and the form to return to the Eparchy with payment for this event.**

PARISH GREETER: At our last parish meeting, Deacon Tony brought up the idea of bringing back our church having a parish greeter in the Narthex prior to the beginning of services. Seeing a friendly face, when coming to our church, presents a welcoming environment. If you would like to volunteer, and welcome parishioners to our church, by passing out bulletins, and showing newcomers where our special liturgical booklets and Propers handouts are located, along with answering any questions they may have, please let Deacon Tony know. If a few parishioners volunteered, we could do this on a rotational basis, and perhaps you would only need to volunteer, to do this task, once a month. **Please consider volunteering!**

The Small Entrance

