



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Next Liturgy: Sunday, March 28th at 3pm

Patronage Church at Hagerstown:

St. Ann Catholic Church
1525 Oak Hill Ave., Hagerstown, MD 21742

Contact: Adam and Lauren Myers: 301-791-0930

Next Liturgy: Saturday, March 20th at 10am

DIVINE LITURGY /MASS/ PATRONAGE CHURCH

| Date | Time | Service | Intention |
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| Sunday 3.21.2021 | 8:45am 9:00am | Matins Divine Liturgy | In Memory of: +Gene Kakalec, Jr. Requested by: M/M Dennis Kotula & Family |
| Thursday 3.25.2021 | 10:00am | Divine Liturgy (Annunciation of the Theotokos) | For Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |
| Friday 3.26.2021 | 6:30pm | Presanctified Liturgy | For Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |
| Sunday 3.28.2021 | 11:00am 11:15am | Matins Divine Liturgy | In Memory of: +Michael Fedarko Requested by: Frances Fedarko |

Confession will take place 20 minutes before or immediately after Divine Liturgy.

This is the **5th Sunday of the Great Fast**. Propers begin on page 125, then 230; Tone 1.

Responses for the St. Basil Liturgy can be found on page 100.

PRAYER INTENTIONS – PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: 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., Georgianna Kostak, Betty Rankin, and Greg Rudy

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: 3/14/2021 - \$1,365.00

In spite of the pandemic, the maintenance of our church continues and bills still must be paid. Thanks to those who continue to support 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).**

SPRING KOLACHI SALE: *Kolachi* orders can be picked up today, in the church hall, until 1pm. There will be no sales other than pre-ordered items. The cost is \$14/each and cash or check (made payable to: Patronage of the Mother of God Church) will be accepted. Any questions can be directed to Mary Demyan. **Many thanks to those who showed up yesterday to help make the Kolachi!**

ORDINATION OF DEACON JAMES FRASER: Please join us for the first Liturgy of the newly ordained Fr. Jim Fraser. It will take place at Patronage Church on April 11th, at 11:15am. **Receiving a first blessing from a newly ordained priest carries special benefits.** A luncheon will follow in the church hall. Please contact Mary Demyan at 410-591-5654 if your family plans on attending so we can properly prepare.

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER: If you would like to order flowers, that will be placed within the church and altar for Divine Liturgy on Pascha, order forms are in the Narthex and can be put in the donation basket, you can also place an order on our website, or mail it to the church rectory. **The deadline for ordering is Sunday, March 28th.**

2021 ALTAR SERVER CONGRESS: This year's Altar Server Congress will take place at the Carpathian Village in Canadensis, PA, from Sunday, August 8th – Thursday, August 12th. Registration must be completed and submitted by July 26th. Visit www.eparchyofpassaic.com, click on **Camps**, then **Altar Server Congress** to register.

ICONOGRAPHY: To learn more about the meaning and importance of the Icon in the Byzantine tradition, visit www.eparchyofpassaic.com, click on **About**, then **Iconography** to read this informative article.

PASCHA SUPPLY SALE: We have Pysanky supplies, basket covers, egg wraps, candles, lamb molds, etc., for sale. Please contact Sharon Kotula at 410-365-9640 for more information. Supplies are limited.

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).**

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

GOD WITH US +ONLINE+: A virtual program entitled, “*I Believe, A Study of the Creed of the Church,*” will be presented by **Rev. David Anderson**, on Wednesdays, April 14 – June 16 from 8-9:30pm. Let the Creed be like a mirror for you. Look at yourself in it to see whether you really believe all that you claim to believe. And rejoice every day I your faith (Blessed Augustine). Join us as we dive deeply into the study of our saving faith. You can register for this **free program** at EasternCatholic.org/Events. For those unable to participate, lectures are recorded and available on-demand, in the event library, currently offering many hours of adult faith formation in the Eastern Christian tradition.

EASTER EGG HUNT: There will be an Easter egg hunt for all children on Sunday, April 18th, following the Divine Liturgy. Theresa Kotlar will be collecting bags of wrapped candy through April 11th, if you would like to donate.

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THE PRAYER OF ST. EPHREM THE SYRIAN:

O Lord and Master of my life, keep from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust of power and idle chatter.

Instead, grant to me, Your servant, the spirit of wholeness of being, humble-mindedness, patience, and love.

O Lord and King, grant me the grace to be aware of my sins and not to judge my brother and sister; for You are blessed now and ever and forever. Amen