



## PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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### Patronage Church at Abingdon:

Church of St. Francis (Stone Chapel)  
1450 Abingdon Road, Abingdon, MD 21009

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Next Liturgy: Sunday, May 23rd 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, June 5th at 10am

### DIVINE LITURGY – PATRONAGE CHURCH

Date	Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 5.16.2021	8:45am 9:00am	Matins Divine Liturgy	In Memory of: +Eugene Kakalec, Jr. Requested by: The Kakalec Family
Thursday 5.20.2021	Private	Divine Liturgy	In Memory of: +Fr. Conan Timoney Requested by: Sean Albert
Saturday 5.22.2021	11:00am	Divine Liturgy All Souls	For Deceased Members of Our Parish
Sunday 5.23.2021	11:00am 11:15am	Matins Divine Liturgy	For Living and Deceased Members of Our Parish

This is the **Sunday of the Fathers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ecumenical Council**.

Propers begin on page 196, Tone 6.

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

**PRAYER INTENTIONS – PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Our parishioners, the founders of our parish, our benefactors, those who are sick, those who cannot make it to church, also, 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, Greg Rudy, and Clyde Wood

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

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In spite of the pandemic, the maintenance of our church continues and bills still must be paid. Thank you 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).**

**EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION (ECF) PROGRAM:** The next ECF religion lesson is scheduled for next **Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, immediately following Divine Liturgy. We ask that all ECF students participate, however, all are welcome to attend for this month's lesson. Attendees should gather in the front several pews of our Temple.

**GOD WITH US ONLINE:** A catechetical resource for today's **Sunday of the Fathers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ecumenical Council** can be found on [www.godwithusonline.org](http://www.godwithusonline.org). Click on **Catechetical Resources**, then **Ruthenian**, for this week's Gospel summary and discussion questions that you can use in your catechesis. *Let us remember with great gratitude these holy fathers who worked so fervently to preserve the faith to pass it along to us, and even sacrificed their bodies to defend it! Let us honor them in a special way by sharing the richness of our faith with others!*

**MEN'S CLUB MEETING:** We will be gathering in the church hall, immediately after Divine Liturgy, next **Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, to discuss new ideas for our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.

**5<sup>th</sup> ALL SOULS:** Please join us this Saturday, May 22nd, at 11:00am, as we celebrate our last **All Souls** before Pentecost. We will have Divine Liturgy, followed by a Panachida (prayers for the deceased), with the reading of the Hramoty (names of our departed loved ones). We hope everyone can join us!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Loui Villanueva and Addie Gortayo who are beginning marriage preparation. God grant them many Blessed years!

**MOTHER'S DAY TREATS:** Many thanks to Mike Skovran for baking and packaging up the delicious treats that were distributed to our mothers last week for Mother's Day.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Adam and Lauren Meyers on the baptism of their son, Andrew, which will take place in Hagerstown today. May God grant Andrew, many Blessed years!

**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](mailto:patronage.church@gmail.com). **“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples” (Isaiah 56:7).**

**MORE FROM “ASK THE DEACON” ABOUT OUR CHANT: Carpathian Plainchant/Prostopiniie from the Encyclopedia of Rusyn Culture**

**ANSWER: Carpathian Plainchant/Prostopiniie** — a form of vocal liturgical music unique to churches in Carpathian Rus'. In contrast to liturgical polyphonic music composed for and sung by choirs, the Carpathian plainchant—prostopiniie (from proste—pious, plain; piniie—chant), or tserkovnoie piniie (church chant)/tserkovnyi spiv (church singing)—is sung in unison by the entire congregation led by a cantor, or chanter (diak, kantor). The roots of Carpathian plainchant are found in Byzantine liturgical music arranged in the eighth century by St. John Damascene and based on a scale of eight tones. Whereas in the Roman (Latin)-rite church the plainchant has been unified (Gregorian Chant), in the Eastern, Byzantine-rite churches different plainchant are found, including the Russian znamennyi, Kievan, Pochaiv, Galician, Serbian, and the Carpathian/Carpatho-Rusyn chant, also known as the Mukachevo or Uzhhorod chant. The Carpathian plainchant shares several characteristics with the other Byzantine-rite chant traditions, but it is distinct in that it has been influenced by local Rusyn folk melodies and, when sung, is often rendered using Rusyn folk harmonization. Liturgical chant began to be formally cultivated in \*Carpathian Rus' during the eighteenth century. It was first taught at the \*Mukachevo Theological School (1744) and at a preparatory school for cantors and teachers, the \*Uzhhorod Greek Catholic Teachers' College, established in 1794 by Bishop Andrii \*Bachyns'kyi. About the same time, a trained musician, cantor, and copyist, Ioann \*Iuhasevych-Skliars'kyi, created seven handwritten books of liturgical music (irmoloi). Courtesy from Jerry Jumba and Paul Robert Magocsi and from the Encyclopedia of Rusyn History and Culture.

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*“Tears are prayers too. They travel to God when we can’t speak.” - Author Unknown*