

# BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN MARYLAND



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## PATRONAGE MISSIONARY CHURCH IN HAGERSTOWN AND ABINGDON

### St. Francis Chapel

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**Next Liturgy: Sunday**

July 3rd at 3pm

### St. Ann Catholic Church

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**Next Liturgy: Saturday**

July 9th, at 10am

**CONFESSION:** Fr. Serhii is available 20 minutes before or immediately after Divine Liturgy.

**Let Us Remember in Prayer:** The soul of *+Delores “Dee” Kissel*, who died this past Wednesday. Parastas will be held at 10 AM at Pumphrey Funeral Home, 300 W. Montgomery Ave., Rockville, MD on July 5, followed by internment at Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

The people of Ukraine, that peace may be soon restored to their land.

Those who are ill or convalescing: Christine Szewczyk, Ken Demianchik, Michael Fitzgibbon, Suzanne Krofchik, Mary Jane Bodner, Mary Jo Kelly Wilhelm, Robert P. Pipta, Christine Pipta Svitana, Ann Dardzinski, Doreen Dardzinski, David Chekan, Anna Rae Brabston, Keith Hay, Walter Krofchik, Sylvia Rusnock, Nickolette Dobrovoczky, Irene Simi, John Cahill, Clara Valeika, Caroline Belensky, Nancy Erdek, Kay Dinko, Andy Turian, Doris Ruszin, Anne Gupman, Joseph and Marie Repasi, Anna Martin, Marge Dulina, Georgianna Kostak, Betty Rankin, Sandra Suseck, and especially those who are afflicted with Covid-19.

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

Please let Fr. Serhii or Fr. Deacon Bill know if there are names to be added or taken away from this list.

### St. Gregory Church:

Stewardship: (Donate at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2442387>) June 19

Offertory: \$922.00

Refreshments: \$22.00

### Patronage Church:

Stewardship: (Donate at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2346733>) June 19

Offertory: \$655.00

Candles: \$48.50

Tithe.ly: \$216.50

### Hagerstown:

Offertory: \$300.00 Tithe.ly: \$15.00

**St. Gregory Lector Signup:** A signup sheet for lectors for Sunday's Divine Liturgies is on the table in the back of the hall. Please consider signing up for this important service. If you have never chanted the Epistle, the cantors will be happy to work with you to make you feel comfortable.

**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. If you would like to be added to our parish email list, send an email to us at [frsergij@stgregoryofnyssa.net](mailto:frsergij@stgregoryofnyssa.net) or [frserhiipatronagechurch@gmail.com](mailto:frserhiipatronagechurch@gmail.com). *My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.* (Isaiah 56:7)



still managed to heal her heart. The Apostle Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans: “Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with them that weep” (Rom. 12:15).

Trust is an important fruit of faith. The success of our prayers depends on a person's trust in God. To trust God is to be ready to accept God's will, that is, God's way of resolving our affairs, with which we turn to him in prayer. What is the difference between faith and trust?

Two close friends often liked to travel together on bicycles. One day they went on bicycles on a trip to the mountains. But at one point they had to cross over a gorge between two mountains. The first, as an experienced cyclist and traveler, told the second that he could solve this problem. He threw a rope from one mountain to another and asked his friend, "Do you believe that I will walk on this rope to the other side of the gorge?" "Yes, I believe," replied the second comrade. "If you believe, then get on the bike with me and we will move to the other side of the gorge."

Dear believers! In today's world there are many people, including Christians, who do not have everything they need. Not worrying about food, as Christ says, does not mean not working, but rather cooperating with God. May trust in God's mercy be a reliable and safe guide for us on the path to eternal life.



Schedule of Divine Services:

**SAINT GREGORY CHURCH**

SUNDAY, Jun. 26, 2022

**Third Sunday After Pentecost**  
**Our Venerable Father David of Thessalonica**  
**The Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest Nicholas Konrad and**  
**the Blessed Martyr the Cantor Vladimir Pryjma**  
**The Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest Andrew Ishchak**  
 11:00 AM *Hymns from Matins*  
 11:15 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Mirovanije

WEDNESDAY, Jun. 29, 2022

–*Day of Obligation*–  
**The Holy Pre-Eminent Apostles Peter and Paul**  
 9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy followed by Mirovanije and the recitation of the Holy Rosary*

SUNDAY, Jul. 3, 2022

**Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**The Holy Martyr Hyacinth**  
 8:45 AM *Hymns from Matins*  
 9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy in memory of +Paul and +Helen Macko Michalco as requested by Rebecca Michalco followed by Mirovanije*

**PATRONAGE CHURCH**

SUNDAY, Jun. 26, 2022

**Third Sunday After Pentecost**  
**Our Venerable Father David of Thessalonica**  
 8:45 AM *Hymns from Matins*  
 9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy for Marge Dolina's 95th birthday as requested by Ann M. Elwell followed by Mirovanije*

WEDNESDAY, Jun. 29, 2022

–*Day of Obligation*–  
**The Holy Pre-Eminent Apostles Peter and Paul**  
 6:30 PM *Divine Liturgy in memory of +Rev. Conan Timoney as requested by Sean Albert followed by Mirovanije*

SUNDAY, Jul. 3, 2022

**Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**The Holy Martyr Hyacinth**  
 11:00 AM *Hymns from Matins*  
 11:15 AM *Divine Liturgy in memory of +M. June Lucas as requested by Kevin and Lillian Keane followed by Mirovanije*

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**Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul:** The Apostles' Fast ends this Wednesday with the celebration of the *Feast of the Pre-Eminent Apostles Peter & Paul*. Through their preaching, the Gospel was spread from Jerusalem throughout the Roman Empire to its very capital, Rome, where both Peter and Paul witnessed to the faith with their lives under the Emperor Nero around 69 AD. This feast is one of the five days of obligation in the Metropolia of Pittsburgh. Liturgy will be celebrated at 9:00 AM at St. Gregory Church and at 6:30 PM at Patronage Church. Please make every effort to attend.

**Altar Server Congress 2022:** The 2022 Altar Server Congress will take place at the Carpathian Village, Cresco, PA, from Saturday, July 16 to Wednesday, July 20, 2022. Registration must be complete and submitted by July 1st, 2022. If there are any questions regarding this event, please call the Chancery office at 973-890-7777, Monday through Friday 8:30 am 4:30 pm. The address for Carpathian Village is 802 Snow Hill Road in Cresco, PA 18326. More information may be found at the Eparchial website, <https://www.eparchyofpassaic.com>.

**Collection for The Children's Home:** Patronage Church will again be collecting items for The Children's Home in Catonsville, a residential care facility that provides both long- and short-term services to youth 13 to 21 years of age. They are in need of new or gently used sports equipment for middle and high school students, new ear buds, new adult size swimsuits, new art canvas - any size, and gently used MP3 players. Donations can be dropped off in the back room of Patronage Church, marked "The Children's Home." Donations will be accepted through July 3.

**Uniontown Pilgrimage:** The annual pilgrimage to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is returning to Mount St. Macrina this year. The event will run from Friday, September 2 to Monday, September 5 with events happening every day. If you plan to attend, make your reservations soon because hotels in the area fill quickly.

**Carpatho-Rusyn Society - Event Announcement:** 50+ (Mostly) Free Essential Resources for Genealogy Research Online Date: 29 June 2022 7:30 PM EDT Enjoy time with others interested in genealogy and learn about the many resources available to those seeking more information. After the presentation there will be an interactive period for questions and a sharing of your findings of perhaps hidden free resources we would all like to know about. More information: <https://www.c-rs.org/Our-Events>, where you can also register online.

### Third Sunday after Pentecost

Dear brothers and sisters!

"When your eye is clean, then your whole body will be clean," Christ said. Let's just think what strong words these are! What are they telling us? When a person is pure, when she is righteous, she looks at everyone with love and righteousness. She does not look for enemies among others; she does not look for flaws in others; she is not looking for ways to blame another person. This is because her eye is clear. She loves her neighbor.

Many people know that sometimes seminary students leave school and walk away. So it was with one seminarian who had recently left school. It did not happen suddenly. Slowly, step by step, the seminarian's faith waned, his enthusiasm cooled, and his zeal for the spread of Christianity disappeared. His source of inspiration withered, his soul became indifferent, and his eyes became dry and lethargic.

What is the reason for such a change?!

Did the devil manage to seduce this guy and fill his soul with doubts? - No.

Maybe an alternative career has made you dizzy? - No, too.

The seminarian just made a mistake. Instead of talking to God, he focused on talking about Him. In this way, his theology lost its meaning.

"For from Him, through Him and in Him are all things. We send glory to Him forever and ever."

In the words of the Gospel this Sunday, Christ invites each of us, in search of happiness and the way to heaven, to trust Him, to choose Him as our reliable guide to eternal life.

An ancient Chinese legend tells of a woman who lost her only son. In deep despair, she went to the old man and asked what prayers or medicines could bring her son back to life.

The old man listened attentively to the woman, but did not ask anything, only ordered her to bring him a grain of mustard, taken from a home where there was never grief. "It will help free your life from pain," said the old man.

The woman immediately went in search of this magic grain. At first she came to the majestic palace and, hoping that she had found the right place, began to explain: they say I am looking for a house that has never been in trouble. However, she was told about the misfortunes that had recently shaken the house and its occupants.

Then the woman thought: I had to go through such a great misfortune, then who better than me can support these people in grief? So she stayed in the palace for a while to comfort the owners, and then continued to search for the grain. But wherever she went, she heard stories of troubles and misfortunes. In the end, she became so obsessed with this search and consolation of upset people that she soon forgot about the old man's request. Thus, the search for the grain