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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 10/4	8:45am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Michael & Theresia Fedarko Requested by: Ms. Frances Fedarko
Friday 10/9	6:00pm Confession	Arbutus Slavonic	In memory of +Michael Kulka, Sr. Requested by: Elizabeth Hresko
Sunday 10/11	10:00am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Michael Stashinko Requested by: Valeika Family

This is the **18th Sunday after Pentecost**. Propers begin on page 125, Tone 1.

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, Matthew Skovran, and Hank Zabka.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: 9/27/2020 - \$1,215.00 **NUMBER OF BELIEVERS:** Matins - 19; Liturgy - 28
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).

DEACON ORDINATION: Subdeacon Ryan Liebhaber will be ordained Deacon on 10/10/20 at 10am in Trenton, NJ at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, 202 Grand Street, Trenton, NJ 08611. Everyone is invited to attend the ordination followed by a luncheon afterwards. Please email (ryanliebhaber@hotmail.com) or call (910-916-1116) him if you are able to attend so he can include you in this joyous celebration. May God grant Ryan and his family many Blessed years! Mnohaja l'ita!

ECF AT HOME: Gathering at an icon corner, before each ECF class, establishes a continuing respect for God's presence through the icon. Also, the icon corner is there for children to visit during quiet moments. Children can show love of God simply by sitting there quietly, by praying, and by venerating the icon. Icons are also teaching aids that remind us of God. A packet of color icons entitled, *Come Bless the Lord*, will be given to each ECF family (when we receive them from our supplier) for use in their catechesis at home. You can slip these icons into a frame and placed in the icon corner according to which feast our church is celebrating. **“Start by doing what is necessary, then do what is possible and suddenly, you are doing the impossible.” St. Francis of Assisi**

GOD WITH US +ONLINE+: Visit www.godwithusonline.org then click on **Ruthenian Catechetical Resources** for this week's Gospel summary. You can also read October's Reflection: **The New Testament and the Holy Eucharist**. These resources are a great addition to your catechesis.

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.

BYZANTINE VIRTUAL EVENING OUT #5: *Finding Gratitude in This Year of Pandemic*, is scheduled for Sunday, 10/25/20, from 6-7:30pm, for ages 13-18. The guest speaker will be Fr. Andrii Dumnych. Please visit www.eparchyofpassaic.com and click on the link to register. Registering early for this event helps the diocese plan activities. We encourage all of our ByzanTeens to virtually attend this event!

PATRONAGE SOCIAL HOUR: Next Sunday, 10/11/20, immediately following Divine Liturgy, lunch will be served in the church hall. We invite everyone to join us for some parish fellowship.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS: The priest's sacristy was painted, brighter lighting was installed, the closet was reconfigured, and new furniture was purchased to better organize liturgical items.

“ASK THE DEACON” – THIS WEEK’S QUESTION: *Why does Father hold his arms up during the Our Father?*

ANSWER: At the Cherubic Hymn the priest and deacon are specifically directed to pray "with hands elevated on high" as is the priest at the Lord's Prayer. This is a very ancient posture for prayer. "Among the subjects depicted in the art of the Roman catacombs one of those most numerous represented is that of a female figure with extended arms known as the Orans, or one who prays. The custom of praying in antiquity with outstretched, raised arms was common to both Jews and Gentiles" (The 1911 Catholic Encyclopedia). We encounter this too when we sing from Psalm 141 at the Presanctified Liturgy: "Let my prayer ascend to you like incense, and the lifting up of my hands like as evening sacrifice."