



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Next Liturgy: Saturday, 12/19/2020, at 10am

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 11/29	8:45am 9:00am	Arbutus Confession	In memory of + Janet Todaro Requested by: Anna Esquela
Friday 12/04	6:00pm Slavonic	Arbutus Confession	In memory of +Michael Stashinko Requested by: Mark Jesko
Sunday 12/06	11:00am 11:15am	Arbutus Confession	Health and Blessings for the Parish Family of Patronage of the Mother of God Church
Sunday 12/06	3:00pm	Abingdon Confession	Health and Blessings for the Parish Family of Patronage – Abingdon Mission

This is the **26th Sunday after Pentecost**. Propers begin on page 125, Tone 1.

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., and Georgianna Kostak

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

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Patronage: 11/22/20 - \$583.00

Abingdon: 11/22/20 - \$295.00

NUMBER OF BELIEVERS:

Patronage: Matins - 9; Liturgy - 35

Abingdon: Liturgy - 12

“Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth” (Dt. 8:18).

A collection basket is on a table in the back of our Temple to place your donation in. You may also mail your donation to the rectory or donate using our online Tithely account. Please visit our church's website for the Tithely link. Many thanks to those for your continued support of our church.

MATINS: An abbreviated 15-minute Matins service will take place every Sunday, before Divine Liturgy. Please join us!

ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION: Next Sunday, December 6th, our parish will celebrate the feast of St. Nicholas, followed by a visit from St. Nicholas, in our Temple. There will be a take-out luncheon immediately following the St. Nicholas celebration.

HOLUPKI SALE: If you would like to order holupki, 6/package, you can pick-up them up after Liturgy on Sunday, 12/13/2020. Please contact Mary Demyan at 410-591-5654. Donations will be accepted.

HOLIDAY KOLACHI SALE: There are just a few nut and poppyseed Kolachi available and are being stored in the hall freezer. If you would like to purchase any, they are \$14.00. Please see Mary Demyan.

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020: Please visit the Eparchy of Passaic's website, www.eparchyofpassaic.com and click on PLEDGE NOW to donate or you can mail your donation to: Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic, Bishop's Annual Appeal, 445 Lackawanna Avenue, Woodland Park, NJ 07424. Pledges for the Bishop's Appeal will run through December 31, 2020. Payments will be accepted through the fiscal year ending June 2021. There are a few extra pledge brochures in the narthex if you did not receive one in the mail. Our church's goal this year is \$9,800.

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!

MOUNT SAINT MACRINA HOUSE OF PRAYER: A virtual online program, via zoom, entitled, **“Sunday Christmas Preparation Afternoon of Reflection: Conference, Q&A Session, Reflection,”** will be presented by Deacon Stephen Russo on December 13, 2020, from 1:30-2:30pm. An offering of \$10.00 is requested. For more information or to register for this program, by December 6, 2020, call 724-438-7149 or email hpmsm@verizon.net.

EASTERN CATHOLIC LIFE (ECL): If you would like to receive the ECL newspaper, please send an email to patronage.church@gmail.com by the end of today, and include your name, both mailing and email addresses, and phone number. The cost for a yearly subscription is \$15.00 (please mark your check “ECL”). Cash will also be accepted.

“ASK THE DEACON” – THIS WEEK’S QUESTION: *Why do we have 8 tones?*

ANSWER: From our Metropolitan Cantor Institute website: “In ancient times in the Mediterranean world, it was common to organize sung or chanted music into groups of melodies called "modes" or "tones", each with its own distinctive flavor or characteristics. These tones (often eight in number) sometimes influenced the chant used in each part of the early Christian Church. In the Byzantine Rite, a complete set of hymns in eight tones was composed to add variety to the liturgy, and give hymnographers (hymn-writers) ample opportunity to praise God and the saints, to teach, and to encourage the faithful. These hymns are largely the work of ... hymnographers of the eighth and ninth centuries, and are collected in the liturgical book called the Octoechos” (meaning eight sounds). More on this topic at: <https://mci.archpitt.org/liturgy/EightTones.html>