



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Next Liturgy: Sunday, April 25th at 3pm

Patronage Church at Hagerstown:

St. Ann Catholic Church

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Next Liturgy: Saturday, April 24th at 10am

DIVINE LITURGY – PATRONAGE CHURCH

Date	Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 4.18.2021	8:45am 9:00am	Matins Divine Liturgy	In Memory of: +Fr. James Bastress Requested by: Clara Valeika
Thursday 4.22.2021	Private	Divine Liturgy	In Memory of: +Fr. Anthony Druginkas Requested by: Clara Valeika
Friday 4.23.2021	Private	Divine Liturgy Slavonic	In Memory of: +Fr. John Kilmartin Requested by: Clara Valeika
Sunday 4.25.2021	11:00am 11:15am	Matins Divine Liturgy	In Memory of: +Fr. Conan Timoney Requested by: Sean Albert

This is **Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearers**.

The Divine Liturgy During Pascha booklet is located in the book rack in the pews.

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Christós Voskrése! Voístinnu Voskrése!

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, 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).**

EASTER EGG HUNT: A reminder that there will be an Easter egg hunt, for all children, immediately following Divine Liturgy this morning. Children who are participating should gather in the church hall.

GOD WITH US ONLINE: A catechetical resource for today's Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women can be found on 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.

The women were first to honor the risen Christ, the apostles first to suffer for Him. The women were ready with spices; the apostles prepared for scourges. The women entered the tomb; the apostles would soon enter the dungeon. The women hastened to express their eulogy; the apostles embraced chains for His sake. The women poured oils; the apostles poured out their blood. St. Peter Chrysologus

SISTERS OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT: *“Sisters of St. Basil: A Documentary Celebrating 100 Years*, a video celebrating the history of the Sisters and Mount St. Macrina from 1921 to 2021, is available for viewing on **YouTube.com**, then search **Sisters of St. Basil the Great Uniontown, PA**. Watch the various contributions made by the Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great from Uniontown, PA.

2ND ANNUAL THEOLOGY OF THE BODY: Register today for this free **“Theology of the Body Virtual Conference,”** scheduled for Friday, April 30th at 12pm – Sunday, May 2nd at Midnight, and will feature dozens of prominent speakers and artists showing how Theology of the Body applies to everyday life, how it will transform your prayer life, how it can bring healing of the deepest wounds in yourself and with others, and how it will bring your Catholic faith alive in new and brilliant ways. To register, visit www.tobvirtualconference.com.

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).

PARISHIONER CONTACT INFORMATION: Please help us keep our parish records up-to-date. If any of your contact information changes, such as address, email, or phone number, please let us know! You can email your updated information to patronage.church@gmail.com. Many thanks!

PATRONAGE BULLETIN: A reminder that our bulletins are posted weekly on our website, www.patronagechurch.com, along with other useful information. Check it out!

ASK THE DEACON: *What is the significance of the Myrrh-Bearers that they have their own Sunday?*

ANSWER: The icon of today's commemoration of the Myrrh-Bearing Women is entitled, *The Resurrection*. These women were the first witnesses to the Resurrection recorded in the Gospels. This is noted every Sunday in a special hymn that is chanted at Matins called the Hypakoe which means to hear or hearken, to respond or to be obedient. The Hypakoe of Pascha is the one most commonly known. It is sung after the third ode of the Paschal Canon, and refers to the Myrrh-Bearing Women being sent to announce the Resurrection to the Apostles.

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Although you descended into the grave, O Immortal One, you destroyed Hades' power. You arose as a victor, O Christ God. You exclaimed to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! You gave peace to your apostles and granted resurrection to the fallen (Kontakion of the Resurrection).
