



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Patronage Church at Abingdon: Liturgy schedule will be announced after Christmas Church of St. Francis (Stone Chapel), Sunday Afternoons at 3:00 p.m.

1450 Abingdon Road, Abingdon, MD 21009

Contact: Deacon Anthony and Theresa Kotlar: 410-734-6973

Patronage Church at Hagerstown: Liturgy schedule will be announced after Christmas Chapel of St. Ann's Church, Saturday Evenings at 6:45 pm

1525 Oak Hill Ave., Hagerstown, MD 21742

Contact: Joseph and Marie Repasi: 301-797-5847

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sun Dec 15		8:30am	Arbutus	Mystery of Repentance
		9:00am	Arbutus	Living and deceased members of the parish and +Phyllis Skovran requested by M/M John Dirdz
Sun Dec 22		8:30am	Arbutus	Mystery of Repentance
		9:00am	Arbutus	Living and deceased members of the parish
Sun Dec 29		8:30am	Arbutus	Mystery of Repentance
		9:00am	Arbutus	Living and deceased members of the parish

THE ENVELOPE STORY:

Arbutus – 12/08/19 - \$1,803.00

Abingdon – 11/10/19 - \$125.00

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UPCOMING HOLY DAYS

Day	Date	Time	Location	Holy Day
Tue	12/24/19	6pm	Arbutus	Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
Wed	12/25/19	9am	Arbutus	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
Thu	12/26/19	9am	Arbutus	Synaxis of the Theotokos – Solemn Holy Day
Fri	12/27/19	6pm	Arbutus	The Holy Apostle, Protomartyr, and Archdeacon Stephen Divine Liturgy

Sunday of the Forefathers (Second Sunday Before the Nativity):

Troparion – Resurrection Tone 2 - **page 130**

Sunday of the Forefathers – **page 281**

Kontakion – Sunday of the Forefathers - **page 281**

Prokeimenon – Sunday of the Forefathers - **page 282**

Alleluia – Sunday of the Forefathers - **page 282**

“Let us who mystically...” – Version D – **page 45**

Communion Hymn – of the Forefathers – **page 283**; and of Sunday, melody as for “Nova Radost’ Stala ...”

DECEMBER CANDLE REQUESTS IN FRONT OF THE ICONS:

- Elizabeth Russell - In memory of her birthday
- Eleanor Bird – In memory of her birthday
- Sam Amico – Anniversary of his death
- Fr. Conan – In memory of his birthday (12/31) and dedicated service to our parish

PRAYER REQUESTS

ECF CALENDAR 2019 (as of 9/15/19)

12/15/19	Class
12/22/19	Practice for Christmas Eve
12/24/19	Tuesday - Christmas Eve Liturgy and procession
12/25/19	Wednesday - Christmas Liturgy at 9:15am
12/29/19	No Class
1/5/20	Classes resume - Epiphany (Blessing of Water)

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:

+Very Rev. Conan Timoney fell asleep in the Lord on Monday, 12/09/19. In Blessed repose, grant O Lord eternal rest to the soul of your servant, +Very Rev. Conan Timoney, and render eternal his memory!

Services for Fr. Conan are as follows:

Public Visitation Monday, December 16th from 2:30 – 6:30pm

The Office of Burial for a Priest will take place immediately following at 6:30pm

Hierarchical Divine Liturgy Tuesday, December 17th at 10:30am

Luncheon to Follow

+Elizabeth Bukszar fell asleep in the Lord on 11/18/19. Her funeral took place at Patronage Church on 11/25/19. Eternal Memory!

+Elizabeth Bobby fell asleep in the Lord on 12/05/19. She was the mother of Dan Bobby. Her funeral took place at Sts. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church in Patton, PA on 12/09/19. Eternal Memory!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Fr. Sam Lupico, Fr. George Dobes, Caroline Belensky, Nancy Erdek, Kay Dinko, Andy Turian, Doris Ruszin, Ann Gupman, Joseph and Marie Repasi of Hagerstown, Mary Beth Russell (sister of Jack Russell), Thelma Smolka (mother of Bonnie Bezila), Michael Vitka (cousin of Alex Demyan), Richard Cooley, Anna Martin, Rosa Maria Santos, Marge Dulina, Christopher Juba, the 29-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Juba, Darlene Eichelberger from Hagerstown, Robert Eberhardt

PRAY FOR OUR SUFFERING CHURCH: The Chaldean Diocese of St. Thomas for the Church in Iraq and Syria requests prayers for the Church in Iraq and Syria. Many clergies, religious and laity have been killed by Islamic radicals.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

PATRONAGE WEBSITE:

Our parish website is **patronagechurch.com**. The website is updated weekly with our most current bulletin as well as an archive of past bulletins. You can also find other relevant information on church history and activities.

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NEW BYZANTINE PRAYER APP:

Eastern Christian Publications, the supplier of our Sunday bulletin covers, has just announced a new app for smartphones. It includes an icon and the troparia for the Saint of the Day, a short reflection from the book *Java with Jesus*, quotes for the day from a wide range of religious bulletin image and commentary, the monthly electronic version of *Theosis* Magazine, and an educational introduction to Byzantine Daily Prayer. The app is FREE and available in both the Apple Store for iPhone and iPads, and from Google Play for Android devices. Search for **ECPubs** and install with a few clicks! Great for enhancing your spiritual reading during Lent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS (continued)

GCU SCHOLARSHIP:

The GCU is now accepting applications for their annual scholarship awards through **December 31, 2019**. Scholarships are available for GCU members who are college students or those studying in any secondary education program. There are also two athletic scholarships (1 female and 1 male) available for high school students. For complete details and online application, please visit: www.GCUusa.com/pages/scholarships

PARISH FESTIVAL SUMMARY:

	Kitchen	Raffle/Bingo	Bake Table	Donations	Total
Income	\$9,793.73	\$803.75	\$4,818.00	\$450.25	\$15,865.73
Expense	\$5,010.32	\$311.90	\$ 586.90		\$ 5,909.12
Net Income	\$4,783.41	\$491.85	\$4,231.10	\$450.25	\$ 9,956.61

FOOD DRIVE FOR THE POOR:

We are collecting non-perishable food items to help the poor in our community. Please leave your donations in the St. Nicholas Chapel. Many thanks for your generosity.

PARISH E-MAIL PROGRAM:

If you would like to be notified of events and programs that are taking place in the parish please send an email to patronage.church@gmail.com. Also, please notify us at this [address if your contact information changes](#).