



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 6/28	11:30am	Arbutus	In memory of +William and Martha Rudy Requested by: Dennis and Sharon Kotula
Sunday 7/05	11:30am	Arbutus	In memory of +Joseph Hrinjak Requested by: Katherine Miller

This week is the **4th Sunday After Pentecost**.

CONFESSION: Fr. Serhii will have weekly confession, before Liturgy, beginning next Sunday, July 5, 2020 from 11:00-11:15am.

DEAR PARISHIONERS: Thank you to all who were able to attend last week's Liturgy. Please remember to continue to take precautionary measures to ensure we protect one another from the spread of COVID-19 when attending Divine Liturgy and receiving Holy Communion. Bishop Kurt continues to dispense from the obligation to assist at Sunday Divine Liturgy so those who are at risk or feel unsafe may remain at home. If you are also not feeling well, please stay home.

ALTAR SERVERS: In an abundance of caution to keep everyone safe and healthy, the use of altar servers has been suspended until further notice. Fr. Serhii will announce when he feels it is best to continue having altar servers. Thank you for your patience!

PRAYER INTENTIONS – PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Fr. Sam Lupico, Keiko Suseck, Arlene Duda, Betty Mastrounni, Clara Valeika, Caroline Belensky, Nancy Erdek, Kay Dinko, Andy Turian, Doris Ruszin, Anne Gupman, Joseph and Marie Repasi, Anna Martin, Marge Dulina, and Paul Ruszin, Sr.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: 5/21/20 - \$1,047.00

NUMBER OF BELIEVERS: 33

Many thanks to all who have contributed to our church and supporting our parish!

REFERENCE MATERIALS: The following are links, for your use, to the books we use in church.

Book

<https://www.patronagechurch.com/s/Pages-from-The-Divine-Liturgies-of-Our-Holy-Father-John-Crysostom-and-Basil-the-Great.pdf>

Propers

https://mci.archpitt.org/sheetmusic/general/Sunday_T3_DL.pdf

Hymnal

<https://www.patronagechurch.com/s/HYMNAL-Web.pdf>

EASTERN CATHOLIC BRILLIANT JEWEL SCHOLARSHIP: Ave Maria University has created an Eastern Catholic four-year scholarship for an incoming freshman. Visit www.patronagechurch.com for details – a flyer is posted under NEWS.

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki!

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

ECF AT HOME: Included with this bulletin is a paper called “*Prayers for the Family.*” Some of these prayers may be familiar and some may not. Make a goal for this week to learn one of these prayers that you may not know and encourage your family to pray with you! Another idea is to take a piece of heavy paper and fold it to make a tent. Take a copy of the “Prayer before Meals” and glue it on your tented paper. Leave it on your table, where you eat, for reference before meals.

“ASK THE DEACON” – THIS WEEK’S QUESTION: *Why do we refer to Mary as the Theotokos?*

ANSWER: This designation was given to Mary at the Council of Ephesus AD 431. It is formed from two words in Greek, Theo=God and tokos=childbearing. Although it is applied to Mary, it is really addressing a controversy that had arisen about Jesus. Some held that it was only correct to say that Mary was Christotokos. Ephesus decreed that Jesus is one person who is God and Man and that Mary was pregnant with and gave birth to that one divine person, so it is correct to say she is Theotokos. It is difficult to translate Theotokos precisely into English. In Slavonic it is rendered Bohoroditsa meaning Birthgiver of God.