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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 7/19	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Patricia Soustek Requested by: The Kakalec Family
Monday 7/20	6:00pm Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Cliff Miller Requested by: Mr. & Mrs. Richard Baldi
Friday 7/24	9:00am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Ella Nora Hoerl Requested by: Mr. & Mrs. Dan Kloss
Sunday 7/26	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Sister Patricia Huesman, S.S.N.D. Requested by: Kelley Wood

This week is the ***Sunday of the Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils.***

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: We welcome all new visitors, to our parish family, 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.

DEAR BELIEVERS: We announce with pain in our hearts that on July 14, 2020, at the age of 68, in the 45th year of the priesthood and the 18th year of the episcopate, the tireless pastor of his Church, Bishop of the Mukachevo Diocese, Milan Shashik, passed away. In a blessed dream, grant eternal peace, Lord, to your eternally remembered servant, the Bishop of Milan, and preserve his eternal memory! Also, every Friday, we will be having a Slavonic/English Liturgy for all parishioners. Afterwards, we will be doing office work. On Monday, we will be having Liturgy/Panachida service for Bishop Milan at St. Gregory's Church at 9am.

Fr. Serhii

PRAYER INTENTIONS – PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Fr. Sam Lupico, Keiko Suseck, Arlene Duda, Betty Mastroinni, 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!*

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NUMBER OF BELIEVERS: 25

Many thanks to all who have contributed to our church and for your dedication to our parish. May God continue to bless you and your families!

ECF AT HOME: *Virtual ByzanTeen Evening Out #2 on Sunday, July 26, 6-7:30pm – NEW EVENT - Calling all ByzanTeens!* Has the message of the new atheists, that has infiltrated American culture, top to bottom, got you confused and scratching your head? Join Father Andrii Dumnych for a lively discussion about God and why the spiritual life should matter to YOU. There will also be time to play virtual games and meet new and old friends. This is a free event, so please register no later than 4pm on Friday, July 24. Visit eparchyofpassaic.com, scroll over to the left side of the page, advertising this event, and then click on REGISTER NOW. Upon registration, you will receive an email, with the link, to the virtual meeting room. We hope our ByzanTeens can attend this virtual event, so please mark your calendar!

FEAST OF ST. ELIJAH, THE GREAT PROPHET: The consecration of vehicles will take place immediately after Liturgy today. To continue with safety precautions, everyone is asked to wait by their vehicle for Fr. Serhii to come to you.

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki!

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

ORDINATION ANNOUNCEMENT: Bishop Kurt announced that Deacon Paul Varchola West was ordained to the presbyterate on Saturday, July 18, 2020, at Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, NJ. It was the first presbyterial ordination in some years. Paul grew up in our Cathedral parish and lived as an adult in our St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Hillsborough, NJ parish. In this time of difficulty, God sent us a sign of hope for the future. In a strange twist, the pandemic actually made the ordination more available. Instead of limiting it to one building, the entire Eparchy was able to participate through live streaming! The ordination was live-streamed on Saint Mary's Facebook page. If you didn't get a chance to watch the actual ordination, you can watch it from Saint Mary's youtube channel and can access it from their website, www.stmaryhillsboroughnj.org. God grant Fr. Paul and his family many blessed years!

"ASK THE DEACON" – THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: *What is the significance of incense in our church?*

ANSWER: Incense (Slav: Kadilo), blessed by the priest as an offering to God, is used extensively throughout our services. When to incense is given as a rubric (instruction) in the liturgicon for the priest and deacon. In the Presanctified Liturgy, the solemn incensing of the Holy Table is done by the priest while opening verses of Psalm 140 are chanted: "Let my prayer ascend to you like incense, and the lifting up of my hands like an evening sacrifice." At the Divine Liturgy the deacon is instructed to say the penitential Psalm 50 when he incenses at the beginning of the liturgy and at the Cherubic Hymn. Incense is also offered for the dead such as at the litany when the names (Hramoty) are read, and in the Divine Liturgy when the priest, while incensing, remembers all those who have gone before us, ending with the Theotokos; then the deacon also remembers the departed while he incenses around the Holy Table. The unconsecrated bread and wine are incensed at the Preparation Table and the consecrated bread and wine are incensed when carried in the Presanctified Liturgy and after Communion at the Divine Liturgy. At other times the entire church, the clergy and, of course, the people are incensed. Like our prayers, as these examples show, incense is offered for adoration, contrition, thanksgiving and supplication.