



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 8/23	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Elinor Nutter Requested by: Marge Dulina
Friday 8/28	6:00pm Confession	Arbutus Slavonic	In memory of +John Rudy Requested by: The Rudy Family
Saturday 8/29	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Thomas Kucharski Requested by: M/M Ed Kucharski
Sunday 8/30	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Salvador Esquela Requested by: Anna Esquela & Family

This week is the **12th Sunday After Pentecost**. Propers begin on page 135; then 352; Tone 3.

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: Please remember our ECF program and to send the church an email to the church with your child's name and grade level. Please also come for prayer for the Moleben of the Mother of God every Friday.

Fr. Serhii Deiak

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, Paul Ruszin, Sr., Clyde Wood, and Ann Marie Elwell

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

CONTRIBUTIONS: 8/16/2020 - \$1,786.00 **NUMBER OF BELIEVERS:** 38
 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!

MATINS: Beginning today, and every Sunday, before Divine Liturgy, we will be having an abbreviated 15-minute version of our Matins service, beginning at 11:15am, and a booklet will be available to use. Please take this booklet home and bring it back the following week to reuse.

BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST: Fr. Serhii will have Liturgy Saturday morning, 8/29/20, at 11:30am, for this feast day. Propers begin on page 141 then 355; Tone 4.

ECF AT HOME: In order for us to better organize our ECF program, beginning 9/20/20, Catechetical Sunday, if you have not already done so, please email the church, as soon as possible, with your child's name and grade level, so that we can order materials now. It is essential that we begin our program, at home, until it is safe to participate in our church hall. **We also need someone to volunteer as the coordinator for ECF.** If you have any questions, regarding the ECF program, please email the church at patronage.church@gmail.com.

PANACHIDA SERVICE: Fr. Serhii will be having a Panachida service for those, from our parish, who are buried at Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Cemetery, in Elkridge, after Liturgy on Sunday, 9/13/2020. The cemetery is only a few miles from our church. Please join us!

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki! Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS: The priest's side of the sacristy was painted this week along with replacement of the ceiling tiles and lighting. The sacristy bathroom was also painted. We are still collecting donations towards our church improvements, and any contribution, would be greatly appreciated. Many thanks to those who have made a donation towards these much needed church improvements!

LITURGY INTENTION: If you would like to have a Liturgy intention, you can download the form on our website, under news, and either email or mail it to the rectory.

ASK THE DEACON" – THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: *What does the deacon say while he incenses the church?*

ANSWER: After the priest, and then the deacon, incense the gifts at the Preparation Table, they proceed to the Holy Table, which the deacon incenses all around saying: *In the tomb bodily, in Hades with the soul as God, in Paradise with the thief, and on the throne You were, O Christ, with the Father and the Spirit, filling all things, the Uncircumscribed One.* The deacon then prays "the most famous of the seven Penitential Psalms," Psalm 50(51), as he incenses the apsidal icon (center, behind the Holy Table) and other icons, the iconostasis, the whole church in the customary way and the people. Psalm 50 (in some bibles it is numbered 51) begins: *Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in your abundant compassion blot out my offense. Wash away all my guilt; from my sin cleanse me* The deacon also recites Psalm 50 when he incenses in the same manner when the people sing the Cherubic Hymn.