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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Location	Intention
Sunday 8/30	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	In memory of +Salvador Esquela Requested by: Anna Esquela & Family
Friday 9/04	6:00pm Confession	Arbutus Slavonic	In memory of +James Mort Requested by: John Dorsey, III
Sunday 9/06	11:30am Confession	Arbutus	Moleben for: Matthew Skovran Requested by: The Skovran Family

This week is the **13th Sunday After Pentecost**. Propers begin on page 141, then 355; Tone 4.

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

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: Bishop Kurt has directed all parishes to now have an online giving service in place with www.tithe.ly.com effective immediately. We are in the process of setting up this program and will let you know when you are able to use this.

Fr. Serhii Deiak

PRAYER INTENTIONS – PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Fr. Sam Lupico, 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., Clyde Wood, Ann Marie Elwell, and Matthew Skovran

May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies,

grant them peace and good health for many blessed years!

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: We are sad to report that Betty Mastrounni passed away on 7/29/20. Her funeral took place on 8/13/20 in Hagerstown, MD. May her memory be eternal!

CONTRIBUTIONS: 8/23/2020 - \$426.35

NUMBER OF BELIEVERS: 37

During these challenging times, we thank those who have contributed to our church and for your dedication to our parish. May God continue to bless you and your families!

LITURGICAL VESTMENTS/ALTAR LINENS: Our church is in need of replacing some of its worn liturgical vestments and altar linens. If you would like to help us purchase these, you can either mail your donation to the rectory or drop it in the offertory basket in the back of church. Please write on your donation that it is for the liturgical vestments and altar linens. Your donation, in helping us purchase these items, would be greatly appreciated!

ECF AT HOME: The Eastern Christian Formation (ECF) program focuses on spiritual formation of our children and our goal is to share with them our Byzantine tradition and faith. Parents, **you** are the primary educators and have the greatest influence on your children along with setting a good example beginning early on in their life. We want to thank those who have registered their children for ECF and we are in the process of ordering books/materials, for each child that registered, and will be distributing them as soon as we receive them. We will also be communicating, by email, with more details of our program. If you have any questions or concerns, please send the church an email at patronage.church@gmail.com. A reminder that Catechetical Sunday is 9/20/20.

“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it” (Proverbs 22:6).

BYZANTEEN VIRTUAL EVENING OUT #4: *Discovering God's Will for You*, is scheduled for Sunday, 9/27/20, for ages 13-18. The guest speaker will be St. Natalia, Christ the Bridegroom Monastery. Registration begins 9/1/20, so please visit www.eparchyofpassaic.com and click on the link to register. We encourage all of our ByzanTeens to virtually attend this event!

SISTERS OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT: You are invited to join the virtual 86th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on 9/5-6/2020. You can do this by going to their YouTube channel at Basilians – Uniontown PA to view some services and programs that have been recorded. This channel will be available on 9/5/2020. The direct link will be put on Facebook at www.sistersofstbasil.org.

“ASK THE DEACON” – THIS WEEK’S QUESTION: *What is a liturgical year, and when does it start and end?*

ANSWER: The Byzantine Church New Year (Indiction) traditionally begins on September 1, a date inherited from the time of the Byzantine Empire. Liturgically, however, there are two cycles, the Paschal and the Temporal, comprising movable and fixed feasts respectively. Movable feasts, for example, are Pascha, Ascension, Pentecost and the first day of Lent; they depend on the date of Easter, which changes each year. Immovable (or Fixed) feasts like Christmas, Annunciation, Transfiguration, and Dormition, are always on the same date. Our liturgical books reflect this arrangement and follow that order. Looking at the Teal Pew Book for example, the movable feasts begin with the Resurrection (page 164) and end with Palm Sunday (page 235). Then follows the immovable feasts beginning September 7 (page 242) and ending August 30 (page 357). [The immovable feasts actually run from September 1 to August 31.]