

The sign-up sheet to assist with the setup for the Sundays in September is available on the information table.

Thank you to all those who continue to provide assistance in setting up and taking down.

Upcoming

■ **Middle Eastern Food Festival** — Holy Transfiguration Melkite-Greek Catholic Church in McLean, Virginia, will once again hold its food festival over Labor Day weekend. Visit <http://holytransfiguration.net> and click on the Calendar & Events tab located near the top of the home page.

■ **Uniontown Pilgrimage** — This year will mark the 82nd year for the Annual Our Lady of Perpetual Help Pilgrimage (*otrust*) at Mount St. Marina, which will be held this coming Labor Day weekend in Uniontown, Pa. Visit www.sistersofstbasil.org or see the latest edition of *Eastern Catholic Life* for more information.

Divine Liturgy Schedule

Sept. 4	Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Sept. 11	Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Sept. 28	Mother of God School 10 a.m.

Last Week's Liturgy

August 21, 2016

Attendance: 27 Souls

■ **Slavic-American Day at Epiphany** — Epiphany of Our Lord Church–Annandale will hold its annual Slavic-American Day on Sunday, September 11, immediately following the 10:30 Divine Liturgy.

■ **Seminary Choir Performance** — The Orientale Lumen Foundation has announced that the third Seminary Concert Tour will take place on September 11 through October 2 at Byzantine Catholic parishes and other venues throughout the Northeast. The choir includes 16 seminarians from the Blessed Theodore Romzha Seminary in Uzhorod, Ukraine, who will present a two-hour concert of sacred music, both plain chant and choral arrangements, in Church Slavonic.

The choir will perform at Epiphany's Slavic-American Day Sept. 11; at St. Gregory of Nyssa, Beltsville, Sept. 29, at 7 p.m.; at St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral in Washington, D.C., Sept. 30; at Patronage of the Mother of God, Baltimore, Oct. 1 (11 a.m.) and at Epiphany Church (afternoon concert); and again on Sunday, Oct. 2 (a.m. Liturgy).

Liturgy Propers

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Our Venerable Father Moses the Ethiopian
Our Holy Father Augustine, Bishop of Hippo
The Holy Martyr Gebre Michael, Priest of Ethiopia
The Passing of Our Holy Mother Laurentia Herasymiv
August 28, 2016

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Troparion of the Resurrection — Tone 6 (p. 152)

Kontakion of the Resurrection — Tone 6 (p. 152)

Prokiemenon — Tone 6 (p. 153)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15

Alleluia — Tone 6 (p. 153)

Gospel: Matthew 22:35-46

Communion Hymn "F" (p. 81)

Announcements

■ **Today's Liturgy Intention** — Today's Divine Liturgy is offered by Debbie and Larry Baranyi for the blessed repose of +Alex and Betty +Baranyi; +Bill, Sr. and +Mae Ohge; and +Bill Ohge, Jr. May their memory be eternal. *Vičnaja pamjať.*

"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

— Revelation 21:4 (NKJV / OSB)

■ **Today's Commemorations** — Today is the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Commemorated on this date is our Venerable Father Moses the Ethiopian; our Holy Father Augustine, Bishop of Hippo; the Holy Martyr Gebre Michael, Priest of Ethiopia; and the passing of our Venerable Mother Laurentia Herasymiv.



Sr. Laurentia Herasymiv was born on September 31, 1911, in the village of Rudnyky, Lviv District, Ukraine. In 1931, she entered the Sisters of St. Joseph, and in 1933 she made her first vows. In 1951, she was arrested by the agents of the NKVD (KGB) and sent to Borislav. Thereafter, she was exiled to Tomsk, Siberia. She was in very poor health and on June 30, 1950, she was relocated to the village of Harsk (Tomsk Region) and made to share a room with and attend to a paralyzed man because nobody else would share a room with a tuberculosis-infected tenant. She continued to pray much and did much-demanding manual labor. She patiently endured sub-human conditions. She finally died on August 28, 1952.

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church



Montgomery County Mission

Mother of God Community School
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Our community...

was established in October 1996 to meet the spiritual needs of Byzantine Catholics living in northern Montgomery County, southern Frederick County, and adjoining areas.

We celebrate our faith...

in a diverse community. We welcome all, regardless of ethnic or religious background who are committed to develop a deeper understanding of the Christian faith expressed in the Byzantine tradition and spirituality, and who wish to pray and work towards the full communion of the Catholic and Orthodox Churches as sister Churches of the One Universal Church of Jesus Christ.

We continually resolve...

to gather in His Name, share the truth of our Faith, and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to everyone.

Please Remember

"Is anyone among you sick? ...the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up."

James 5:14-15 NKJV/OSB

OUR MISSION COMMUNITY

- Ron Pytel.
- Maggie and Robert Karam.
- Lou Shanks.
- Rosemary Chisarick.
- Doris Fejka.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- Peggy Winkelmann.
- Laura Hinkle.
- Doran Coady.
- Ann Tracy.
- Travis Waters.
- Bertha Bergan.
- Arlene Kollar.
- David Chisarick.
- Jamee Kruse.
- Joseph and Nancy Dillmann.
- Paul and Mary Ellen Sorensen.
- Tony Tworowski.
- Norman Dennis.
- Linda Oros.
- Jenelle Wagner.
- Mike DiMarino.
- Robert Kreger.
- Anita Rhinehart.
- Robert Diethrich.
- Lucy Fontenot
- Patricia and Peter Minihane.
- Brother Joseph Comber, CFX.
- Beth Brackett.
- Lisa De Rosa.
- Joseph Repasi.

SPECIAL INTENTION

- Elizabeth Basarab.
- Fr. Francis Martin.
- Sally Pekarik.



Pray for Our Community

"Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; Look down from heaven and see, and visit this vine and the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, and the branch that You made strong for Yourself."

Psalm 80:14-15 NKJV/OSB



Food Pantry

Our community places a food collection basket near the information table as you enter the gymnasium. Don't forget those who are less fortunate. Nonperishable food items, diapers, baby food, and personal care items are always in demand. The Food Pantry Program, administered by St. Martin of Tours Roman Catholic Church in Gaithersburg, supports the working poor of our area.



"...for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited me; I was in prison and you came to Me. ...Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

Matthew 25:35-36, 40 NKJV/OSB

■ **Beheading of St. John the Baptist** — On August 29, the Byzantine Church annually commemorates the Feast of the Beheading of the Holy Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John. By tradition, this is a day of fasting from meat and dairy products. If the feast falls on Sunday, abstinence is by choice. Local traditions also include not eating food from a plate or eating anything in the form of a head, such as cabbage, lettuce, or apples.

■ **Happy New Year!** — September 1 marks the beginning (Indiction) of the Church Year for the Byzantine Catholic Church. The first great feasts of the liturgical year are the Nativity of the Theotokos on September 8 and Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 21.

In addition, Ecumenical Patriarch Demetrius I of Constantinople (1914–1991) designated September 1 as a day of special prayer and supplication for the environment.

■ **Day of Penance** — Friday, September 2, is a day of simple abstinence in the Byzantine Church. One may abstain from meat or perform an appropriate act of penance.

■ **The Byzantine St. Francis** — When we think of a patron saint of animals, we often think of St. Francis of Assisi. Did you know



that the Eastern Church has its own "St. Francis." This saint's name is St. Mam(m)as the Great-Martyr. His feast day is this Friday, September 2. To find out more about this amazing saint, go to <http://www.newbyzantines.net/byzcatculture/stmamas.html>.

■ **Thank You, Cantors** — A prayerful thank you to the cantors from Epiphany Church–Annandale who have filled in for our regular cantor during this summer. God bless you for your sacrifice.

■ **Food Pantry** — Remember our Mission Community's ministry to the unfortunate of our area through the local Food Pantry program, administered by St. Martin Roman Catholic Church, Gaithersburg, which is always in great need of nonperishable foods, baby food and supplies, and personal hygiene items. Hunger never takes a vacation or holiday.

We Are Back On The Air!

The website for our Mission Community is now back online at...

www.eolmission.org

Spread the Good Word!

(Note that more recent photos are still to be uploaded.)

Join us for our **43rd Annual**

SLAVIC AMERICAN FESTIVAL



Sunday, September 11th
12 Noon til' 6:00 P.M.

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine
Catholic Church

www.slavicamericanfestival.com

Nourishment for the Body

Traditional Slavic Delights • Holupki • Potato Pancakes
• Haluski • Kolbasi • Pirohi • and Nutrolls/Kolachi

Nourishment for the Mind

Silent Auction • Football on TV • Bingo & Instant Bingo
• Bake Sale • Children's Rides, Games & Face Painting
• Rummage Sale • Farmers Market

Music by
John Stevens'
Doubleshot

Nourishment for the Soul

Slavic Religious & Folk Art • Bookstore
• Arts, Crafts & Polka Lessons



Church tours: 12:30, 2:30, 3:30, and 4:30 pm

Concert of Sacred Slavic Music at 1:30 pm

Romzha Seminary Choir, Uzhorod, Ukraine

Divine Liturgy Schedule:

Saturday Sept 10th-5:00 pm & Sunday Sept 11th-8:00 & 10:30 am

Free Admission • Free Shuttle parking from 3301 Woodburn Road.
No Pets Please

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