

■ **Philip’s Fast** — Philip’s (or Christmas) Fast begins at sundown on Monday, November 14, the Feast of St. Philip, and runs 40 days until Christmas Eve. This fast was introduced to prepare the Church for a worthy celebration of the great and holy days of Christ’s birth and Christ’s baptism in the Jordan.

■ **Divine Liturgy at Mount St. Mary** — Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Holy and Glorious Apostle St. Andrew will again be celebrated at Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, at 4 p.m. on November 30, the feast of the Apostle.

Fr. Lee will concelebrate the Liturgy with various Byzantine Catholic clergy. The Seminary Schola (choir) will lead the responses, and several seminarians will assist at the altar.

All are welcome to attend.

Last Week’s Liturgy

October 23, 2016

Attendance: 14 Souls

*Of everything you give Me,  
I will faithfully return a tenth part to you.*

1 Timothy 6:18-19

Divine Liturgy Schedule

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| Nov. 6  | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |
| Nov. 13 | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |
| Nov. 20 | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |
| Nov. 27 | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |

October Is Respect Life Month

*People were bringing even infants to him  
that he might touch them,  
and when the disciples saw this,  
he rebuked them.*

*Jesus, however, called the children to himself and said,  
“Let the children come to me and do not prevent them;*

*for the kingdom of God  
belongs to such as these.  
Amen, I say to you,  
whoever does not accept  
the kingdom of God like a child  
will not enter it.”*

Luke 18:15-17 (NAB)

Liturgy Propers

Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

SS. Zenobius and Zenobia, Martyrs

October 30, 2016

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Troparion of the Resurrection — Tone 7 (p. 156)

Kontakion of the Resurrection — Tone 7 (p. 157)

Prokiemenon — Tone 7 (p. 158)

Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22

Alleluia — Tone 7 (p. 158)

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

Communion Hymn (p. 78)

Fr. Lee Gross, Celebrant

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The sign-up sheet to assist with the setup  
for the Sundays in November is now  
available on the information table.  
Thank you to all those who continue to provide  
assistance in setting up and taking down.

Announcements

■ **Today’s Liturgy Intention** — Today’s Divine Liturgy is offered by Elizabeth and Claire Keyes for the health and well being of Roseann Neatrou.

*“O Lord Jesus Christ... We beseech You, look mercifully upon her  
and in Your great love grant her relief from her pain... that restored  
to the vigor of health, she may serve You faithfully and gratefully all  
her life and become heir of Your kingdom, for You are the physician  
of our souls and bodies, O Christ...”*

— St. John Chrysostom

■ **Today’s Commemorations** — Today is the Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. On this date, October 30, the Holy Martyr Zenobius and his sister, the Holy Martyr Zenobia, who suffered martyrs’ deaths in the year 285 in Cilicia.

From childhood, they were raised in the Christian Faith by their parents and led pious and chaste lives. For his beneficence and holy life, the Lord rewarded Zenobius with the gift of healing various maladies. As bishop, St. Zenobius zealously spread the Christian Faith among the pagans. When Emperor Diocletian (284-305) began a persecution against the Christians, Zenobius was the first one arrested and brought to trial before Governor Licius. “I shall only speak briefly with you,” said Licius to the saint, “for I propose to grant you life if you worship our gods, or death, if you do not.”

Zenobius answered, “This present life without Christ is death. It is better that I prepare to endure the present torment for my Creator, and then with Him live eternally, than to renounce Him for the sake of the present life, and then be tormented eternally in Hades.”

By order of Licius, they nailed him to a cross and tortured him. St. Zenobia, his sister, saw his suffering and bravely confessed her own faith in Christ before the governor. She was also tortured. By the power of the Lord, they remained alive after being placed on a

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Epiphany of Our Lord  
Byzantine Catholic Church



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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

- Jim Siemucha
- Peggy Winkermann.
- Laura Hinkle.
- Doran Coady.
- Ann Tracy.
- Travis Waters.
- Bertha Bergan.
- Arlene Kollar.
- Jamee Kruse.
- Joseph and Nancy Dillmann.
- Paul and Mary Ellen Sorensen.
- Tony Tworkoski.
- 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.

### SPECIAL INTENTION

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



## 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

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red-hot iron bed and then in a boiling kettle. The saints were ultimately beheaded. The priest Hermogenes secretly buried their bodies in a single grave. SS. Zenobius and Zenobia are invoked by those suffering from breast cancer.

Also commemorated on this date is the Passing of the Martyr and Priest Oleksiy Zarytski. Blessed Fr. Oleksiy Zarytski was born in 1912 in the village of Biche, in the Lviv Region. In 1931, he entered the seminary in Lviv. He received his ordination to the priesthood from Metropolitan Andrei Sheptyts'kyi in 1936. In 1948, he was imprisoned for 10 years and deported to Karaganda. After his early release in 1957, he was named Apostolic Administrator of Kazakhstan and Siberia, but was shortly thereafter imprisoned again for a three-year term. He died as a martyr for the Faith on October 30, in the Dolyinka concentration camp near Karaganda.

■ **Day of Penance** — This Friday, November 6, is designated by the Byzantine Church as a day of penance. Abstaining from meat or performing an appropriate act of penance is prescribed.

■ **Prayer for Vocations** — "...Almighty God, Holy King, we pray that more of Your people will be generous in responding to Your invitation to be priests, deacons, nuns, and monks. Teach them to follow in Jesus' footprints by bringing the light of the Holy Spirit to all people. For You are Holy our God, and we give glory to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen."

■ **Fr. Conan** — Please continue to pray for the health and healing of Fr. Conan Timoney.

*"O Lord Jesus Christ... We beseech You, look mercifully upon him and in Your great love grant him relief from his pain... that restored to the vigor of health, he may serve You faithfully and gratefully all his life and become heir of Your kingdom, for You are the physician of our souls and bodies, O Christ..."*

— St. John Chrysostom

■ **Bishop's Appeal** — The Bishop's Appeal for the Eparchy of Passaic has begun. Please watch your mailbox, access the eparchy's website, or see the latest issue of *Eastern Catholic Life* for details and instructions.

Note: Pledges/payments must be sent directly to the Eparchy and checks must be made out to "Eparchy of Passaic." Please see Vince Kovalick with questions. Our goal once again is \$6,000.

■ **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.

## Upcoming

■ **Food Festivals** — St. Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church, Beltsville, Md., will sponsor a food festival of Eastern European dishes Saturday, November 5, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. For information, call, 301-953-9323.

On Saturday, November 19, Patronage of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church near Baltimore, Md., will hold its annual Slavic food festival from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. For information, call 410-247-4936.

Standard Time resumes at  
2 a.m. on Sunday, November 6.  
Turn your clocks back one hour.

