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persecuted in English Colonial America.

The exhibition runs until June 3, 2018. It can be viewed online at [americanhistory.si.edu/religion-in-early-america](http://americanhistory.si.edu/religion-in-early-america).

■ **Pray for Our Suffering Church** — Many Christian clergy, religious, and laity have been killed by Islamic radicals. Please pray for all those afflicted by these barbaric acts and for the conversion and forgiveness of the perpetrators. *Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!*

### Last Week's Liturgy

**October 29, 2017**

Attendance: 25 Souls

In the Liturgy we pray "for those who serve and have served in this holy church."  
Until the happy day when we have our own temple (grant it, O Lord!),  
we will need men and women  
to help with setup and takedown.

Signup sheet for the month of **November**  
is available on the information table.

**Thank you!**

### Divine Liturgy Schedule

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| <b>Nov. 12</b> | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |
| <b>Nov. 19</b> | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |
| <b>Nov. 26</b> | Mother of God School<br>10 a.m. |

*All Christian people have you,  
O Archangel Michael,  
as a mighty defender and helper in battle  
against the adversary.*

*Therefore, we, wishing to be granted  
your marvelous protection,  
call upon you on the day  
of your solemn feast in this way:  
Hail you by whom Satan was cast down  
like lightening from heaven!  
Hail you by whom humanity preserved  
goes up to heaven!  
Hail, splendid adornment  
of the most radiant world on high!  
Hail, most glorious defender  
of the fallen world here below!  
Hail, never-defeated by the forces of evil!  
Hail, you established forever by divine grace  
in truth and righteousness with all God's angels!  
Hail, Michael, great chief captain  
with all the hosts of heaven!*

Third Chant for the Akathist to St. Michael the Archangel  
Feast of St. Michael and All the Angels  
November 8

### Liturgy Propers

**Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost**  
**SS. Galaction and Episteme**  
**SS. Patrobas, Hermias, Linus, Gaius, and Philologus**  
**November 5, 2017**  
**Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

Troparion of the Resurrection — Tone 5 (p. 146)

Kontakion of the Resurrection — Tone 5 (p. 147)

Prokiemenon — Tone 5 (p. 148)

**Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18**

Alleluia — Tone 5 (p. 148)

**Gospel: Luke 8:41-56**

Communion Hymn: Psalm 148:1A (p. 78)

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### Announcements

■ **Today's Liturgy Intention** — Today's Divine Liturgy is offered by Marge Rusnak for the blessed repose of +Margaret and +Michael Rusnak. *Vičnaja pamjat'.*

*"O God of sprits and of all flesh, You trampled death and broke the power of the devil and granted life to Your world. Now grant rest, O Lord, to the soul of Your departed servants in a place of light, joy, and peace where there is no pain, sorrow, nor mourning."*

— From the Litany for the Deceased

■ **Today's Commemorations** — Today is the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost. Commemorated on this date, November 5, is SS. Galaction and Episteme, a Christian husband and wife who were converted and baptized during a persecution, after which each retired into a monastery. The confessed the Faith at Emessa in the reign of Decius, Emperor.

Also commemorated are SS. Patrobas, Hermias, Linus, Gaius, and Philologus, from among the 70 Apostles.

■ **Day of Abstinence** — Friday, November 10, is a day of simple abstinence in the Byzantine Church. One may abstain from meat or perform an appropriate act of penance.

■ **Our Condolences** — Our sincerest condolences and prayers go out to Robert Karam and family upon the passing of his wife and long-time Mission Community member, Maggie (Margaret), who fell asleep in the Lord on October 28. A funeral mass will take place December 18 at 4 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church in Derwood. Should you wish to send your condolences to the family, Robert's address is on the information table. May her memory be eternal. *Vičnaja jemu pamjat'.*

*When You descended to death, O Immortal Life, You destroyed Hades by the brilliance of Your Divinity; and when You raised the dead from the depths of the earth, all the heavenly powers cried out "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to you."*

— Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 2)

### Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church



### Montgomery County Mission

*Mother of God Community School*  
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*[www.eolmission.org](http://www.eolmission.org)*

#### 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.
- Raymond Klimkosky.

### OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- Christine Dennis.
- Peggy Winkelmann.
- 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.
- Linda Oros.
- Mike DiMarino.
- Robert Kreger.
- Robert Diethrich.
- Lucy Fontenot
- Patricia Minihane.
- Brother Joseph Comber, CFX.

### SPECIAL INTENTION

- Elizabeth Basarab.
- Sally Pekarik.
- Fr. Conan Timoney.
- Fr. Lee Gross.



## 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."*

Psalms 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

■ **Fast Approaching** — Philip's (or the Christmas or Winter) Fast begins at sundown on Tuesday, 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 (Theophany).

According to tradition, it was customary to observe a strict fast (no meat or dairy) on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and a lesser fast on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season. The fast may be observed voluntarily, partially, or in its entirety. However, Friday's during this period remain as days of penance. Abstaining from meat or performing an appropriate act of penance is prescribed.

■ **Bishop's Annual Appeal 2017** — Mission members have received a letter from Bishop Kurt with a pledge/donation card and more information. Please return card with you check made out to the Eparchy of Passaic to 445 Lackawanna Ave., Woodland Park, NJ 07424. You can also pledge online. Go to [www.eparchyofpassaic.com](http://www.eparchyofpassaic.com). Our goal for this year is once again \$6,000. Questions, see Vince Kovalick.

■ **Holy Land Pilgrimage** — Fr. Ephrem Handel, associate pastor of Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek Catholic Church in McLean, Va., is offering to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy

### Slavic Food Festival

On Saturday, November 18, 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 more information, call 410-247-4936.

Land for his parish, Epiphany-Annandale, and Epiphany Mission.

Fr. Ephrem is a married Melkite Greek Catholic Priest who was born in Bethlehem. This would be a pilgrimage as only a resident of the Holy Land could lead. If interested, contact Epiphany Parish Office. More details, such as dates, departure airport, carrier, and costs will be provided as they develop.

■ **Divine Liturgy at Mount St. Mary** — The 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.

■ **Smithsonian Religious Exhibit** — The National Museum of American History has opened a new exhibition, "Religion in Early America," which celebrates the free exercise of religion eventually codified in the First Amendment. The exhibit contains items from various faiths from the 1630s to the 1840s. The Catholic display includes the iron cross made of ballast beams forged by the blacksmith for the Catholic colony of Maryland in 1634. Also attracting attention is the chalice used by Archbishop John Carroll, S.J., the first Catholic bishop of the U.S. and cousin of Charles Carroll, the only Catholic signer of the Declaration of Independence. The chalice is unique in that it disassembles to be made into a saddle bell. Such chalices were used when Catholicism was

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