

“We used to hate and destroy
one another and refused
to associate with people
of another race or country.
Now, because of Christ,
we live together with such people
and pray for our enemies.”

St. Justin Martyr
A.D. 150

Divine Liturgy Schedule

Sept. 29...	16th Sunday after Pentecost Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Oct. 6...	17th Sunday after Pentecost Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Oct. 13...	Sunday of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Oct. 20...	19th Sunday after Pentecost Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Oct. 27...	19th Sunday after Pentecost Mother of God School 10 a.m.
Nov. 3...	[Standard Time Resumes]



Saint Thekla
Protomartyr & Equal
to the Apostles
September 24
http://ww1.antiochian.org/life_of_thekla

In the Liturgy we pray “for those who serve
and have served in this holy church.”
For now, we still need men and women
to help with liturgy setup and takedown.

The signup sheet for
the remainder of **September and October**
is available on the information table.

Thank you!

Liturgy Propers

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
St. Phocas, Priest-Martyr, Bishop of Sinope
St. Jonah, Prophet
Venerable Jonah
September 22, 2019

[Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom]
Troparion of the Resurrection – Tone 6 (p. 152)
Kontakion of the Resurrection – Tone 6 (p. 152)
Prokeimenon of the Resurrection – Tone 6 (p. 153)

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 4:6–10
Alleluia of the Resurrection – Tone 6 (p. 153)

GOSPEL: Luke 5:1–9:11
Communion Hymn (p. 78)

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CELEBRANT: FR. LEE GROSS



Christ is among us!
(Christos posred'i nas!)
He is and shall be!
(Jest'i budet!)

Announcements

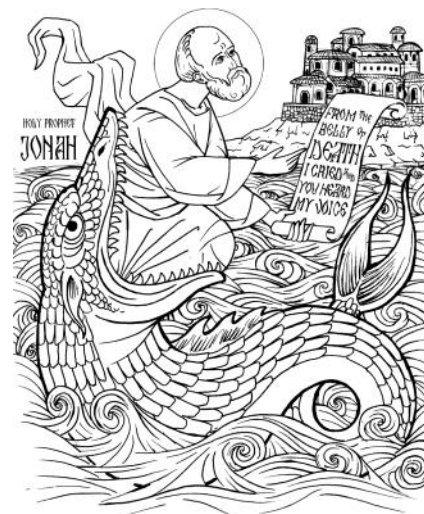
■ **Today's Liturgy Intention** — Today's Divine Liturgy is offered by Andy Haba for the blessed repose of +Andrew John and +Janet L. Haba. May their memories be eternal. *Vičnaja pamjať.*

“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. On this date, September 22, we commemorate St. Phocas, Priest-Martyr, who was Bishop of Sinope on the Black Sea. He was put to death under the Emperor Trojan A.D. 102.

Also commemorated is St. Jonah, Prophet, one of the Twelve Lesser Prophets and inspired writer of a Canonical Book of Holy Scriptures. The Holy Prophet Jonah lived in the eighth century before the birth of Christ and was



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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 for 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

- Jeff Sesok.
- Ron Pytel.
- Lou Shanks.
- Rosemary Chisarick.
- Doris and Rich Fejka.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- Delores Moldowan.
- Mary Neimiller.
- Yazmine Nickerson.
- 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 and Doris Kreger.
- Robert Diethrich.
- Lucy Fontenot.
- Patricia Minihane.
- Brother Joseph Comber, CFX.

SPECIAL INTENTION

- Elizabeth Basarab.
- Sally Pekarik.
- Fr. Conan Timoney.
- Fr. Lee Gross.
- Deacon Peter Turko.

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

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a successor of the Prophet Elisha. The Book of the Prophet Jonah contains prophecies about the judgments on the Israelite nation, the sufferings of the Savior, the downfall of Jerusalem, and the end of the world. In addition to the prophecies, the Book of Jonah relates how he was sent to the Ninevites to preach repentance.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, addressing the Scribes and the Pharisees who demanded a sign from him, said that no sign would be given except for the sign of the Prophet Jonah. "As Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and three nights, so also shall the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights" (Matthew 12:40).

From these words the Lord shows clearly the symbolic meaning of the Book of the Prophet Jonah in relation to Christ's death on the Cross, descent into Hell, and the Resurrection. St. Jonah died 961 B.C.

In addition, on this date we commemorate the Venerable Jonah, who was the father of St. Theophanes.

■ **Lucan Cycle** — Beginning last Monday, September 16, the continuous reading of the Gospel of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke begins. The Gospel readings for every day from September 16 until December 8 will be from St. Luke.



■ **Day of Penance** — As each Sunday is a celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord, each Friday is a commemoration of Holy and Great Friday and is observed with penance. One may abstain from meat or instead offer prayers or charitable works.

Upcoming Events

■ **Divine Liturgy at Mount St. Mary** — This year, the annual Divine Liturgy at Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg will take place on the Feast of St. Josephat, Tuesday, November 12. Please watch upcoming bulletins for more information.

■ **Patronage Festival** — Fr. Conan and the parishioners of Patronage of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church in Arbutus (Baltimore) invite you to their annual fall festival scheduled for Saturday, November 23. More details to follow.

Evangelization

■ **Food Pantry** — 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, is always in great need of non-perishable foods, baby food and supplies, and personal hygiene items. Hunger never takes a vacation or holiday.

■ **Online: God With Us Seminars** — Interested in learning more about your faith as expressed through the Byzantine/Eastern Christian tradition? Join us for live webinars, all offered free of charge. Webinars open 30 minutes ahead of time for questions and pre-class discussion. Detailed information and registration instructions are at <http://easterncatholic.org/>