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ethnic food festival beginning at 10 a.m. and running until 2 p.m.

On Saturday, November 17, Patronage of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church near Baltimore will hold their annual ethnic food festival from 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Plan to be there early. Both festivals are very well attended.

■ **Liturgy at Mount St. Mary** – The Divine Liturgy will again be celebrated in the Immaculate Conception Chapel at Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md., at 4 p.m. on Monday, November 12, the Feast of St. Josphat. Fr. Lee will be concelebrating with other Byzantine and Roman Rite priests. All are invited.

■ **Philip's Fast** – Philip's (or Christmas) Fast begins at sundown on Wednesday, November 14, the Feast of St. Philip, and runs 40

Divine Liturgy Schedule

- Oct. 28...** **23rd Sunday after Pentecost**
Mother of God School
10 a.m.
- Nov. 4...** **24th Sunday after Pentecost**
Our Lady's Chapel/Goshen House
10 a.m.
- Nov. 11...** **25nd Sunday after Pentecost**
Mother of God School
10 a.m.
- Nov. 12...** **Immaculate Conception Chapel, Mount St. Mary, Emmitsburg, Md., 4 p.m.**

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.

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Liturgy Propers

22nd Sunday After Pentecost
Our Venerable Father Hilarion The Great
October 21, 2018

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Troparion – Tone 5 (p. 146)

Kontakion – Tone 5 (p. 147)

Prokeimenon – Tone 5 (p. 148)

EPISTLE: Galatians 6:11–18

Alleluia – Tone 5 (p. 148)

GOSPEL: Luke 16:19–31

Communion Hymns (p. 78–81)

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CELEBRANT: FR. LEE GROSS

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 remainder of October is available on the information table.

Thank you!

Announcements

■ **Today's Liturgy Intention** – Today's Divine Liturgy is offered by Lou and Marie Shanks for the blessed repose of +Maggie Karam. May her memory be eternal. *Vičnaja jej pamjat'.*

"O God of spirits 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 servant Maggie 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 in the Byzantine Church is the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost. On this date, October 21, the Byzantine Church commemorates our Venerable Father Hilarion the Great, Hegumen-Abbot.

St. Hilarion was born in the year 291 in the Palestinian village of Tabatha. He was sent to Alexandria to study. There he became acquainted with Christianity and was baptized. After hearing an account of the angelic life of St. Anthony the Great, Hilarion went to meet him, desiring to study with him and learn what is pleasing to God. Hilarion soon returned to his native land to find that his parents had died. After distributing his family's inheritance to the poor, Hilarion set out into the desert surrounding the city of Maium.

In the desert, the monk struggled intensely with impure thoughts, vexations of the mind, and the burning passions of the flesh, but he defeated them with heavy labor, fasting, and fervent prayer. The devil sought to frighten the saint with phantoms and apparitions. During prayer St. Hilarion heard children crying, women wailing, and the roaring of lions and other wild beasts. The monk perceived that it was the demons causing these terrors in order to drive him away from the wilderness. He overcame his fear with the help of fervent prayer. Once, robbers

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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.
- Raymond Klimkosky.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- Yazmine Nickerson.
- Paula and Tom Tate & Family.
- Jeff and 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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fell upon Saint Hilarion, and he persuaded them to forsake their life of crime through the power of his words.

Soon all of Palestine learned about the holy ascetic. The Lord granted to Hilarion the power to cast out unclean spirits. With this gift of grace he loosed the bonds of many of the afflicted. The sick came for healing, and the monk cured them free of charge, saying that the grace of God is not for sale (Matt. 10:8). Such was the grace that he received from God that he could tell by the smell of someone's body or clothing which passion afflicted his soul. They came to St. Hilarion wanting to save their soul under his guidance.

With the blessing of the saint, monasteries began to spring up throughout Palestine. Going from one monastery to another, he instituted a strict ascetic manner of life.

About seven years before his death (around 372), St. Hilarion moved back to Cyprus, where the ascetic lived in a solitary place until the Lord summoned him to Himself.

■ **Respect Life Month** — October is recognized by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as Respect Life Month. Information and resources can be found at the website for the USCCB, <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program/index.cfm>

"But I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because Jesus said, 'If you receive a little child, you receive me.' So every abortion is the denial of receiving Jesus."

— Mother Teresa of Blessed Memory

■ **Day of Penance** — As each Sunday is a celebration of the Resurrection, each Friday is a commemoration of Holy and Great Friday and

is observed with penance. One may abstain from meat or offer prayers or charitable works.

■ **Catholic Apologetics** — Credible Catholic is an on-line Catholic apologetics (apologetics is the reasoned defense of the Faith) program designed to help you or your family members. If you have a middle school, high school, or college age son or daughter who is facing doubts and you do not feel up to the challenge of the defense of the Faith, please send them to www.crediblecatholic.com.

■ **Remember in Prayer** — *"They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword..."* (Hebrews 11:37a)

Please lift up in prayer all those who are persecuted and deprived of liberty, everywhere in the world.

Please especially remember the peoples of Iraq, Syria, Egypt, Niger — the whole Middle East and Africa — who are literal martyrs for Christ. Also the people of Ukraine.

They are all our brothers and sisters, for all are one in Christ.

Upcoming

■ **Latest News: Gym Floor Installation** — The Mother of God School now plans to replace the gym flooring beginning October 29. This means that we will need to utilize Our Lady's Chapel in the Goshen House. We will also need to temporarily move **ALL** items stored in the white and the gray cabinets to Goshen House. More details to follow.

■ **Festivals in Beltsville and Baltimore** — On Saturday, November 3, St. Gregory of Nyssa Church in Beltsville will sponsor their

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