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St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md., at 4 p.m. on tomorrow, November 12, the Feast of St. Josaphat. Fr. Lee will concelebrate with other Byzantine and Roman Rite priests. All are invited.

■ **Food Festival in Baltimore** – Next 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.

■ **Our New “Neighbors”** – In addition to our Mission Community, the facilities of the Mother of God will begin serving area members of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church, an Eastern Catholic Major Archiepiscopal Church based in Kerala, India. It is a *sui iuris* particular Church in full communion with the Pope and the worldwide Catholic Church, with self-

Divine Liturgy Schedule

- Nov. 12...** Immaculate Conception Chapel, Mount St. Mary Seminary Emmitsburg, Md. 4 p.m.
- Nov. 18...** **26th Sunday after Pentecost** Mother of God School 10 a.m.
- Nov. 25...** **27th Sunday after Pentecost** Mother of God School 10 a.m.
- Dec. 2...** **28th Sunday after Pentecost** Mother of God School 10 a.m.

governance under the Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches. The Church uses the Divine Liturgy of SS. Mar Addai and Mar Mari belonging to the East Syriac Rite, which dates back to 3rd century Edessa.

Syro-Malabar liturgies will be celebrated on Sundays in Our Lady’s Chapel. When there is a conflict with the school’s use of the gymnasium, we will have first opportunity to reserve the chapel.

Liturgy Propers

25th Sunday After Pentecost
SS. Menas, Victor, and Vincent, Martyrs
St. Stephenida
Our Venerable Father Theodite Studite, Confessor
November 11, 2018

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
Troparion – Tone 8 (p. 161)
Kontakion – Tone 8 (p. 162)
Prokeimenon – Tone 8 (p. 162)
EPISTLE: Ephesians 4:1–6
Alleluia – Tone 8 (p. 163)
GOSPEL: Luke 10:25–37
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 **November** is available on the information table.

Thank you!

Announcements

■ **Today’s Liturgy Intention** – Today’s Divine Liturgy is offered by Ron Pytel for the blessed repose of +Jim Siemucha. May his memory be eternal. *Vičnaja pamjať.*

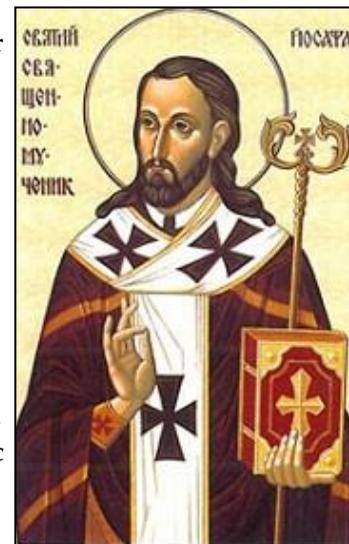
“And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”

– Revelation 21:4 (NKJV / OSB)

■ **Today’s Commemorations** – Today is the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost. On this date, November 11, the Byzantine Church commemorates the Holy Martyrs SS. Menas, Victor, and Vincent; the Holy Martyr St. Stephenida; and our Venerable Father Theodore Studite, Confessor.

■ **Who Is St. Josaphat?** – On November 12 each year we commemorate St. Josaphat (1580–1623), one of those figures in history who was caught in a web of controversy where even good people find it hard to keep their heads.

He was caught in a battle between Catholic and Orthodox, Latin and Byzantine, and found himself criticized and opposed on every side: by the Orthodox for being Catholic and by the Latins for being Byzantine. He held firmly to Catholic unity against the Orthodox and just as firmly to Byzantine rights against the Latins. At that period of history, it was a no-win situation.



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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

- Mary Neimiller
- Yazmine Nickerson.
- Paula and Tom Tate & Family.
- 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."

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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He was martyred on November 12, 1623, when a mob broke into the house where he was staying, shouting hatred and violence. When he confronted them, he was struck in the head with a halberd and shot. His mangled body was dragged out and thrown into the river. He was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1867.

■ **Philip's Fast** — Philip's (or the Christmas Fast) begins at sundown this Wednesday, 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. 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.

■ **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.

■ **Veterans Day** — Whether you call it Armistice Day, Remembrance Day, or Veterans Day, let us pray for all of our military who have served or are serving our country, along with their families. And may the memory of those who have fallen asleep in the name of freedom and justice be eternal! *Vičnaja pamjať.*

■ **Continue to 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, even in our own country.

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.

■ **Bishop's Annual Appeal 2018** — Mission members have received a letter from Bishop Kurt with a pledge/donation card and more information regarding the appeal. Please return the pledge card with your check made out to the Eparchy of Passaic, 445 Lackawanna Ave., Woodland Park, NJ 07424. You can also pledge online. Go to www.eparchyofpassaic.com. Our goal for this year is once again \$6,000. Questions, please see Vince Kovalick.

■ **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.

Upcoming

■ **Tomorrow: Liturgy at Mount St. Mary** — The Divine Liturgy will again be celebrated in the Immaculate Conception Chapel at Mount

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