Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

A Parish of the Orthodox Church in America and of the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania •

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October 25, 2026
21st Sunday after Pentecost (5th of Luke)
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+ Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius the Notaries, of Constantinople +

Ven. Martyrii the Deacon and Martyrii the Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves–13th-14th c.) + Martyr Athanasius the Fuller, at Salona in Dalmatia (3rd c.) + St. Tabitha, the widow raised from the dead by the Apostle Peter (1st c.)

READINGS:

Epistle: Gal. 2:16-20
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Parish President: Brett McKenna
Choir Director: Nina Patterson
Deacon: Jerome Stafford
Reader: Mark Klus
Sub-deacon: Daniel (Kenneth) Kavalkovich
Reader: David Pellack

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Monday October 26 Holy and Glorious Greatmartyr Demetrius the Myrrhgusher of Thessalonica (ca. 306)

Tuesday October 27: Righteous Mother Olga of Kwethluk, Wonderworker (1979)

Saturday October 31: Hieromartyr Archpriest John Kochurov (1917)
4:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday November 1, 9:00 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy – 22nd Sunday after Pentecost (6th of Luke)

FUTURE DATES:

November 15-24: Nativity Fast

Saturday, November 21, 9:30 am Liturgy: The Feast of the Entrance into the Temple of Our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos

CANDLES AND PRAYERS FOR THE LIVING AND DEPARTED

Health for the Living:

Health of *Tammy Cairns,* offered by Nina Patterson
Health of *Family and Friends,* offered by Nina Patterson
Health of *Moses & Sophia,* offered by David Pellack
Health of *Family & Parishioners,* offered by C. Kavalkovich
Health of *Michael, William, Family & Friends*, offered by M/M K Kavalkovich
Health of *Patricia Amoroso (birthday),* offered by M/M K Kavalkovich

May God Grant Them Many Blessed Years!

Memory for the Departed:

In Memory of *Vito Maturo, Ronald Sr.* offered by M/M K Kavalkovich

May God Grant Them Memory Eternal!

Crosses Available to Light: *1 Small Cross $25 / 1 Large Cross $50 / EX: for Memory, Health, Birthdays, Anniversaries*

Welcome to all our visitors & guests! Please join us after Liturgy for coffee hour in the basement.
Please continue to check our parish website, social media pages, and your emails regularly for updated information.
Please ensure that your cellphone is set to Silent or on Vibrate during Liturgy. Thank you.

Congratulations To the Newly Chrismated Servants of God:
Timothy (Moses the Black of Scetes) Crowe and Heather (Sophia of Rome) Harrington
God Grant You Many Years!

ANNOUNCEMENTS / EVENTS

October 18th Chrismation

Timothy (Moses the Black) Crowe — godparents Deacon Jerome & Matushka Brigid Stafford

Heather (Sophia) Harrington — godmother Nina Patterson

Young Adult Service Group

We are looking to organize the church's young people to help out our parishioners. If you (or anyone you know) needs help with something around the house, please contact Charlie Baker at (865) 680-6384 or cbake23z@gmail.com. It could be anything ranging from yard work and moving heavy objects, to cleaning and housework. You can share 1) The task to be completed 2) A range of dates and times that would work for you 3) The address where the work will be completed. *Please get in contact. We want to help!*

Childless Christians Group Event at the Barnes

October 18 the group attended the Barnes Foundation to see the special exhibit featuring Japanese designers in postwar (WWII) America. The group also explored the permanent collection of Impressionist art. Photo, L to R: Reader Mark, Tanya, Brett, Reader David, Tish (Thekla) and Martha.

Peyton Heart Project

The Peyton Heart Project mission is to raise global awareness about suicide, bullying, and to help end the stigma surrounding mental health issues. We're doing this through our campaign of distributing small, knitted and crocheted hearts with inspirational messages in locations where we hope they'll be easily found. ***Please take several hearts to distribute and spread a positive message. The hearts are located in the basket on the ambo.***

Shop Rite Gift Cards Support St. Mary Magdalene Monastery (Mother Catherine)

If you need to purchase Shop Rite Gift Cards, please see either David Pellack or Ken Kavalkovich to secure them. Your purchase of a Shop Rite Gift Card will help support the parish's Charity projects at no additional expense to the purchaser.

Fellowship Coffee Hour & Cleaning Teams

If you have volunteered to host coffee hour, please check which Team you are on and when your Team is hosting coffee hour on the calendar printout that is in the white/clear 3-ring binder located on the display case outside the office room.

2026 Monthly/Quarterly Schedule:

1st Sunday of each month –Monthly Panikhida immediately after Divine Liturgy.
2nd Tuesday of each month –Bible Study at 6:30pm on ZOOM media platform.
5th Sunday of each quarter –Quarterly Parish Council Meeting after Liturgy.

Attendance: Sunday, Oct. 18: 45 Oct. MTD: 41

Cash Flow Activity: Thank you all for your continuous financial support in maintaining your parish!

	Oct. 12 to Oct. 18	Oct. Month to Date
Funds In:	N/A	$ 4,468.46
Funds Out:	N/A	$ 9,759.86
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	N/A	($ 5,291.40)

Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius the Notaries, of Constantinople (ca. 355)

Marcian and Martyrius stood up for Orthodoxy with all their strength and determination. Markianus was a reader and Martyrius a subdeacon at the cathedral church and under Patriarch Paul they were patriarchal notaries. The Arians tried first to subdue them, and when these holy men refused, they condemned them to death. When they were taken to the place of execution, they raised their hands and prayed to God, thanking Him for the martyr's end of their lives: "Lord, we rejoice that we leave this life with such a death. Allow us to be partakers of eternal life, You Who are our life!" Then they bowed their heads under the sword and were beheaded, in the year 355. St. John Chrysostom later built a church over their miraculous relics in their name.