

entrusted to him on Sundays and days of precept [holy days of obligation]" (canon 294). This liturgy intention for all parishioners is "For the intention of our Parishioners." The faithful who attend the Divine Liturgy for the parishioners participate, according to their state, in praying for that intention. We can continue this prayer for one another during the week by remembering several parishioners and families each week. Please remember this Maryann and John Matthey, Betty Mattingly, Marlene McCracken, Victoria McCracken, Francis and Sandra McDonnell & family, Mary McDonnell, Mary Michaels, and from the Mission, Ronald Pytel.

Lamp and Light. Bible Study with Deacon Peter will be Wednesday, February 1st at 7:00 PM in the Chapel basement.

Pussy Willows. Some parts of the northeast and the Midwest are claiming that because of some warmer than average winter temperatures the pussy willows are beginning to bud. Those parishioners who have pussy willows and supply them for our parish to use for Palm Sunday are asked to check your plants for any sign of budding. The news story stated that the correct way to cut them is to wait until almost all the branches have budded and before the buds go green to cut them. They should then be stored in a cool place until Palm Sunday. Thank you.

All Souls Saturdays. There are five All Souls Saturdays during the Liturgical year when we pray the Divine Liturgy and remember our faithful departed by name. The first one this year is February 18th. If you wish to add names to the list of persons remembered in your family, known as "dyptychs" or "hramoty", please use the appropriate envelope in the offertory envelope packet. Please place it in the Sunday collection with the list of names you wish to add along with your offering for their

remembrance. New parishioners should list their faithful departed whom they wish to remember in prayer on the reverse side of the envelope. It is also permissible to simply list "all the departed members of the (your family name) family" rather than each person by name. If you wish to update, delete or add new names to your hramoty listing, please contact the Parish Office during office hours.

How Saints mediate Disputes.

Constantinople, like other capital cities, endured party disagreements, but not the kind we witness today. The citizens of the capital of the Byzantine Empire disagreed about which saint connected with the "Queen of Cities" whose feast was observed in January, was the greatest: Saint John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople (feast, January 27), Saint Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople when the Second Ecumenical Council was held there in 381 (feast, January 25), or Saint Basil the Great, whose monastic rule the monks and nuns of the city followed (feast, January 1)? The three saints themselves appeared to Bishop John of Euchaita and told him "There are no divisions among us" and they ordered all disputes to stop and that they be commemorated together on one day. Saint John of Euchaita chose January 30th as their common feast-day. When we observe this feast we can take instruction from them to live tranquilly and in humility with our brothers and sisters in Christ because we are all working to spend eternity in the same place.

Encounter of our Lord. The Lord Jesus was brought to the temple on the fortieth day after His birth according to the flesh to fulfill the Law God gave to Moses on Sinai. At the temple, Jesus met His people in the persons of Ss. Simeon and Anna who recognized the Messiah. Saint Sophronius, the 6th century patriarch of Jerusalem, preached on this feast that we should also go to the temple, the

church, to meet our Lord. He described that our lighted candles should show how bright our souls wish to be through meeting our soul's Creator. Like Simeon, we should rush to embrace our Lord. Further, we can remember that like Saint Anna, we wish to speak to the Mother of God. There are two Divine Liturgies on Thursday, February 2, 10:00AM and 7:30PM. Candles will be blessed at both Divine Liturgies.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

End of Life Planning. Today, January 29, is the third of three presentations to help us with end-of-life planning. Liturgical Preparations are the topic. What are the options for church funerals? This preparation can help you make decisions in order to inform your family so that they can know and respect your wishes for a Catholic funeral and interment. Also, since cremation is allowed in the Catholic Church as long as the cremains are interred, how is a funeral with cremains handled liturgically?

Nut Roll Baking Job Opening. Epiphany Ladies Guild needs project managers for their biannual nut roll baking project. The proposal is to have two individuals to diversify the work: one project manager to head only the preparation of the nut filling on one day and the other project manager to only head the dough preparation, filling and baking on the following day. The proposal is to limit the yield to 500, nut only, rolls. This will help project managers ease into the responsibilities. As many parishioners know, Epiphany Ladies Guild nut, poppy-seed, prune (lekvar) and apricot rolls are a favorite with Northern Virginia public. ELG Lenten Dinners attendance grows in anticipation of the Friday when the rolls will go on sale and many rolls are purchased at the annual Slavic American

Festival. If interested or for further information, please contact the rectory, or ELG president, Marsha Puhak or ELG vice-president Daria Parrell.

BCY Flea Market. The Flea Market sponsored by Epiphany BCY will be held at Epiphany in the Parish Center on Saturday, February 4th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. If you are interested in purchasing space as a vendor contact BCY Advisor, Chris Braunlich, at 703-922-6768 or c.braunlich@att.net.

Lenten Reading The bookstore has a new book for Lent entitled *Back to the Garden*. It contains spiritual reflections on the readings from Genesis during the Great Fast. The book, written by Father Jack Custer and other contributors, is a small paper back book at a cost of \$9.00. Get yours soon from the bookstore in the parish center!

End of Year Giving Statements. Giving statements have been mailed this past week. If you donated more than \$100 during the 2016 calendar year and do not receive a giving statement by February 1st, please call the Parish Office during office hours.

Super Bowl Bash. Super Bowl Bash sponsored by Epiphany Men's Club will be held February 5th in the Parish Center. The doors open at 4:30 PM. Bring the whole family. Root for your favorite Team. Food and beverages provided by Epiphany Men's Club. The game will be viewed on large screen TV, games for the kids, quarterly diversions for adults, raffles and prizes.

Treat to Sweetie to some Valentine's Day Candy. ELG will be selling Valentine's Day treats for your sweetie on Sunday, February 12 between Liturgies. Share the love or pick up a little something for yourself.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal 2016. The parish goal for the church is \$19,800 as last year. Also, as last year if the parish reaches the goal it will receive a reversion of 40% of donations sent to the chancery. To date, 65 families have contributed \$17,635 toward our goal. We are only \$2,165 short of our goal. Through your generosity the parish reversions from recent Appeals given back to Epiphany parish have provided for necessary repairs and maintenance. The 2014 reversion, along with the Festival Raffle and individual gifts allowed us to replace the over 30 year old roof of the chapel. The reversion from the Bishop's Appeal 2015 is \$7,932.40 which is dedicated funds for the replacement of the Parish Center boiler. Added to the reversion, \$3,841.00 has been donated by parishioners toward the replacement of the boiler in the Parish Center. The proceeds from this year's festival raffle was \$2,066. The Epiphany Ladies Guild has generously made a donation of \$15,000.00 toward the replacement of the parish center boiler, which brings the boiler fund up to \$24,998.40. The latest estimate for a new boiler is \$45,257.00. Thank you for your generosity. It is not too late to make a donation.

Vocations to the Priesthood. Our parish is blessed with many reverent and zealous men. Have you ever had thoughts about the Holy Priesthood? Possibly these thoughts might be that God is calling you to the Holy Priesthood. If you have questions please speak to Father John or contact the Vocations Director of the Eparchy of Passaic, Father Michael Kerestes (570) 822-6028. The first step is to meet with the Vocations Director. Then, if there is a

possible vocation, the candidate is reviewed by the Vocations Board. If accepted by the board and the Bishop, the process of applying to the seminary begins. The traditional path is to enter the seminary as a single man and during the seminary to discern marriage or celibacy with the help of the spiritual director. The deadline for submitting a name to the Eparchial Vocations Board is January 30, 2017.

Saint Gregory Adult Ed. Father Lewis Rabayda invites parishioners of Epiphany parish-Annandale and Epiphany mission-Gaithersburg to the February Adult Catechesis sessions. The dates are February 1, 8, 15 and 22. The Adult Catechesis will be offered twice on each date to accommodate the differing schedules of adults, one at 10:00 AM and again at 7:30 PM. The topic presented for the month of February is "The Early Church: From the Resurrection of Christ to Catholicism". There are no registration or materials needed to be brought by participants. The location is Saint Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church, 12420 Old Gunpowder Road Spur, Beltsville, Maryland.

Sunday of Zaccheus

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Bishop's Appeal
- Bible Study
- Advance Planning Guest Speaker - Today
- Vocations to Holy Priesthood
- ELG Baking Project
- ELG Valentine Candy
- BCY Flea Market
- EMC Super Bowl Bash
- Book Store - Lenten Reading
- 2016 Giving Statements

EMC BINGO
01/31/17 Team D
02/07/17 Team A
02/14/17 Team B
02/21/17 Team C
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

January 29, 2017

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations—January 22, 2017

Adults	\$2,534.00
Children	\$19.27
Initial Offering	\$20.00
Building Fund	\$645.00
School of Religion	\$66.00
Candles	\$35.25
Holy Days	\$25.00
St. Nicholas	\$2.31
TOTAL	\$3,393.83

"Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth." (Dt. 8:18)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, Patricia Fedorko, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Mary Gaydos, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, Peter Wegman, Robert Hencken, Caroline Zurun, and Mary Beth Vieira. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O'Leary, Russell Plasha, William Brokaw, Maureen Guth, Tim O'Leary, Joanne Gaudino, Patricia Delfine, Rev. Joseph Jugan, Steven Goula, Fr. Phillip Scott, Mary Jewette, Luke Kolar, Fr. Conan Timoney, Eileen Gray, Bernadette Strate, and Karen Baine.

Prayers for our Parishioners. The particular law of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church directs: "The pastor is to celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

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Very Rev. John G. Basarab - Pastor

Glory to Jesus Christ Glory Forever!	January 29, 2017	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY OF ZACCHEUS

Jan. 29	Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
		10:30 AM	+Joanne Markovich by Irene Markovich

Thirty-third Week after Pentecost

THREE HOLY HIERARCHS

Jan. 30	Mon.	10:00 AM	+John Lichvarcik by Elizabeth Basarab
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ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON

Feb. 02	Thurs.	10:00 AM	+John Soyka by Children & Grandchildren
		7:30 PM	Intention of Parishioners

Feb. 03	Fri.	10:00 AM	+Raymond McCracken by Marlene
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Feb. 04	Sat.	10:00 AM	1st Anniversary of Ordination of Fr. Lewis Rabayda by Epiphany
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SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE

Feb. 05	Sun.	8:00 AM	+Joseph and +Michael Koshuta by Monica Koshuta & Family
		10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – February 5, 2017

Feb. 05	Sun.	8:00 AM	P. O'Leary (L), J. Cooke, Joseph Hughes, J. O'Leary
		10:30 AM	J. Naccash (L), T. Clark, James Hughes, D. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – February 5, 2017

Feb. 05	Sun.	8:00 AM	T. Ryan (L), J. Fedorko, J. Susco
		10:30 AM	T. Fazio (L), K. Hogan, E. Koval

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD Byzantine Catholic Church

The Sacraments – Our Life in Christ

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation - (Baptism, Chrismation, Holy Eucharist). We follow the command of the Lord to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19). Chrismation (Confirmation) and Holy Eucharist (First Holy Communion) is imparted at the same time immediately following baptism

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Infants – is scheduled at the Divine Liturgy on Saturdays or Sundays during the year except certain fast periods. Sponsors must be Catholics in good standing and supply a sponsor card attesting to that from their parish. While two Catholics in good standing is usual, one baptized non-Catholic can function as a Christian Witness with the Catholic sponsor. Both must be at least sixteen years of age. Details are available at the parish office.

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Adults – follows a period of catechumenate. This is a period of spiritual formation. Please see the priest or deacon.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Crowning in Marriage – According to the Pastoral Policy and Guidelines for Marriage Preparation for the Catholic Church in New Jersey, couples wishing to marry must inform the pastor one year before the date of the wedding and be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Couples will meet with the priest and deacon in four sessions – to begin the pre-nuptial investigation, to take FOCCUS, a communications, values and religious inventory approved for use in the Catholic dioceses/eparchies, to complete the pre-nuptial investigation and for a session on the theology of the mystery (sacrament). They are also required to attend Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance – The Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance is regularly available each Saturday 11:30 AM – 12:00 Noon. In addition, confessions are heard during the Christmas Fast (Advent) and the Great Fast (Lent) on Sundays between the Divine Liturgies. Visiting confessors are also scheduled at special times during the Great Fast. Confessions are also heard on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Great and Holy Week to prepare for the observance of the Lord's Resurrection.

Anointing of the Sick – Parishioners who are seriously ill and those with life endangering medical conditions as well as those who are to undergo surgery should avail themselves of the sacrament of penance and anointing of the sick. If surgery is scheduled, please consider confession and anointing at the church before entering the hospital since there is more privacy for confession and less chance of interruption for confession and anointing. If you are unable to come to church, please call the rectory. Families of parishioners who have a medical emergency should contact the rectory office so one of the priests can go the hospital.

Holy Communion and Visitation of the Sick – Holy Communion is brought to our parishioners who are ill at the hospital or at home by the deacon on Sundays and at other times by arrangement. Please contact the deacon or the rectory office by Friday prior to the Sunday communion visitation.

Funeral Services – The Office of Christian Burial is offered in ways to accommodate the needs of the family. The Epiphany Ladies Guild as part of their charity offers a Mercy Meal for families at the Parish Center following the interment. Epiphany of our Lord cemetery is a portion of Fairfax Memorial Park. Parishioners who are interested in purchasing cemetery plots should see the deacon.

Byzantine Catholic Mission of Montgomery County – Divine Liturgy: Sunday 10:00 AM; Religious Education & Social Hour 11:15 – 12:15; 20501 Goshen Road, Gaithersburg, MD; (301) 482-0282.

Parish Administration

“The Church is not an organization with sacraments but a sacrament with organization.”

Parish Clergy

Very Rev. John G. Basarab, Pastor
Deacon Elmer Pekarik, Deacon Peter Turko

Parish Office Staff

Jamie Bacigalupi, Administrative Assistant
Diane Dougherty, Financial Assistant

Parish Council of Administration

Emil Koval, Greg Puhak, Sally Green

Parish Office Hours: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday – Friday
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Sunday

School of Religion – School of Religion classes meet on Sundays between Liturgies (9:20 AM – 10:20 AM) throughout the school year (September – June). Classes are offered for children grades Preschool & Kindergarten – High School.

Bulletin – Bulletin announcements should be submitted in writing by 12:00 Noon Wednesday afternoon for the upcoming Sunday. Announcements may be dropped off in the Parish Office, faxed to the office (703-573-1088 or email to epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net).

Registration – Individuals who wish to register in the Parish should stop by the Parish Office and complete a census form.

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