



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

March 19, 2017

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Mar. 19 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Julia Hancher by Epiphany Men's Club

FOURTH WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

Mar. 22 Wed. 7:30 PM Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

PRE-FESTIVE DAY OF ANNUNCIATION

Mar. 24 Fri. 7:30 PM Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Mar. 25 Sat. 10:00 AM Intention of Parishioners

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Mar. 26 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Erlinda Bueno by Jennifer Linko

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – March 26, 2017

Mar. 26 Sun. 8:00 AM Joseph Hughes (L), J. Cooke, J. Lampl, P. O'Leary
10:30 AM J. Naccash (L), T. Clark, James Hughes, D. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – March 26, 2017

Mar. 26 Sun. 8:00 AM H. Katawczik (L), J. Kotula, T. Ryan
10:30 AM J. Kepick (L), M. Bell, K. Kepick

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 catechuminate. 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

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<http://www.eolbcc.org>

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parish reaches the goal it will receive a reversion of 40% of donations sent to the chancery. To date, 78 families and one organization have contributed \$20,170.00 toward our goal. Through your generosity the parish reversions from recent Appeals have provided for necessary repairs and maintenance. The reversion from the 2015 Appeal was \$7,932.40. There was an error in the accounting in funds available toward the boiler fund. The current funds available towards the purchase of the new boiler is \$24,521.40. The latest estimate for replacement of the boiler is \$45,257.00. Thank you for your generosity!

College Students. Are you looking for a profession that is worthy of your altruism and true to your Catholic identity? Are you looking for a graduate school to continue your education?

1 Divine Mercy University. Consider embracing the helping science of psychology at Divine Mercy University, formerly the Institute for the Psychological Sciences located at Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia. The institute was renamed for Divine Mercy Sunday, the Sunday after Easter, designated by Saint John Paul II when it expanded to two schools, the Institute for the Psychological Sciences and the School of Counseling. The School of Counseling offers an on-line MS program in Counseling. The Institute offers an on-line MS in Psychology as well as a residential program leading to the Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology-APA accredited. Go to divinemercy.edu to check out details for the MS in counseling webinar on March 23, March 30, and April 6 as well as the MS in Psychology Virtual Open House on March 27 and March 29. Master level professional counselors with the MS in counseling are employed by clinical mental health agencies, counseling centers, private practices, church/mission settings, hospitals, in-patient facilities, school support services, military facilities, and in overseas settings. The IPS Clinical Psychology program MS and Psy.D. at DMU aims to prepare our students to become licensed clinical psychologists and trained in the

best empirical, scientific and clinical methods of psychology as well as the Christian understanding of the person, marriage and the family.

2. Byzantine Catholic Seminary. The Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Pittsburgh, PA is the only free-standing Byzantine Catholic Seminary in the United States. A seminary of the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Church, it forms candidates in human, intellectual, and pastoral formation for the Holy Priesthood. In addition, the seminary offers a professional degree track leading to a Master's degree in Theology – M.A.T. The seminary is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools and the degrees are authorized by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Theological school programs are like law schools in that it does not require any specific major in your undergraduate degree. The M.A.T. can be utilized for working with church-related organizations, social services, chaplain, missionary work, leader in a Christian organization, teacher at a Catholic secondary school. The Master's degree can be utilized to apply for the doctorate in theology leading to being a lay theologian at a Catholic university. Please check out our affordable fees and information for the degree programs at www.bcs.edu.

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 03/28/17 Team D
 04/04/17 Team A
 04/11/17 Team B
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Third Sunday of the Great Fast

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Bishop's Appeal
- Bible Study
- Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts - every Wednesday and Friday during the Great Fast
- Fasting Regulations for this week
- ECF Almsgiving
- Lenten Dinners
- EMC Meeting Notes
- Easter Meats order forms
- Pussy Willows Needed

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TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–March 12, 2017

Adults	\$3,912.00
Children	\$5.10
Initial Offering	\$20.00
Building Fund	\$945.00
School of Religion	\$71.00
Candles	\$124.00
Flowers	\$270.00
Holy Days	\$40.00
Boiler	\$160.00
Byzantine Missions	\$80.00
Churches of Ukraine	\$10.00
St. Nicholas	<u>\$31.50</u>
TOTAL	\$5,673.60

"In generous spirit pay homage to the Lord, be not sparing of freewill gifts." (Sirach 35:7)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, Peter Wegman, Robert Hencken, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira and Robert Esser. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O'Leary, Russell Plasha, 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, Karen Baine, James Seman, Hank Kowalski, Jean Figel, and Jim Sinclair, brother of Carren Turko.

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 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 week, Gregory and Marsha Puhak & family, Nancy Potter, Tina Pounds & family, Christopher and Andrea Pullella & family, Carmela Rapavi, David and Virginia Rapavi & family, Dennis and Marta Reuter & family, David and Patricia Rhodes & family, Shelly Roberts & family, and from the Mission, Lisa and Richard Whittigton & family.

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. This year, however, there are only four All Souls Saturdays appointed because the feast of the Annunciation falls on the date of the fourth All Souls Saturday and the typicon directs that the remembrance of the departed is omitted because of the great feast of God the Son being enfleshed or incarnate. The fifth and final All Souls Saturday this year is June 3rd.

Triodion in the 3rd Week of Lent. The Triodion is the Lenten prayer book, which began to be utilized on the Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee. Today, the Third Sunday of the Fast, is the Veneration of the Holy Cross. In the Latin Church the ritual of venerating the Holy Cross occurs on Good Friday. In her diary, the nun Egeria testified to the practice of the veneration of the true Cross at the Martyrion shrine on Golgotha in the 5th century on Good Friday. The Byzantine Church placed this observance on the mid-point of the Great Fast to concentrate more on the infinite sacrifice of the

Lord Jesus on Great Friday. On the Third Sunday the Veneration of the Cross takes the aspect of offering refreshment, resurgent strength and support after the rigors of the first half of the Fast. The passion and death of our Lord is observed on a Sunday, the weekly day of the Resurrection to link the Cross with the Resurrection to convey that the Cross is the great Victory of the Son of God on our behalf. During the fourth week of the Great Fast the account from Genesis is read of the story the end of the Great Flood and the emergence from the Ark, the story of the curse earned by one of Noah's sons and the blessing of the second and third sons, Shem, and Shem's descendants the Semites, and the gradual increase in human pride leading to the construction of the Tower of Babel. The hymns of the fourth week make us identify ourselves with the publican and Pharisee and praise the Lord Jesus and His love for the human race expressed by the sacrifice on the Cross to expiate for our sins.

Fasting Regulations. Wednesdays and Fridays during the Great Fast are days of abstinence in which no meat products are permitted. Wednesdays are fast days because Judas betrayed the Lord on a Wednesday and we fast for the times we betrayed the Lord by our sins. Fridays are Days of Fast, because every Friday is a weekly Great Friday when Christ's Faithful join Him in His saving sufferings and life-giving death on our behalf.

Lamp and Light. During the Great Fast, Lamp and Light Bible Study with Deacon Peter is not meeting on Wednesday evenings because of Presanctified Liturgy. Instead, participants are doing home study of the two of Old Testament books read at Vespers and Presanctified, Genesis and Proverbs. Use the church wall calendar for the daily reading from Genesis Proverbs and then go to www.agapebiblestudy.com for the study text. Deacon Peter and your fellow parishioners who are participants invite you to join them during the Great Fast by following along at home.

Guarding the Tomb. Each year our parish keeps the ancient tradition of a vigil at the grave of our Lord Jesus Christ from Great Friday after Vespers until Resurrection Matins on Holy Saturday. The hours of the vigil are from 10:00 PM Friday until 5:00 PM Saturday. There is a signup sheet in the Narthex of the church on the bulletin board closest to the ushers' room. Please choose your hour when you and your family can spend time in prayer together. In this way we shall not leave the tomb unguarded.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECF-SOR - Almsgiving. During all the weeks of the Great Fast we are collecting items in the Parish Center to help others in need:

- **Week 1-Toothbrushes – Week 2 Toothpaste – Week 3 Uncooked pasta**
- Food Panty – Food for Others – all items still needed

Easter Meats. In order to insure you get your desired meats, please submit your order by Sunday, April 2nd.

Chairs for Parishioners! Need extra chairs around the family dinner table for those special events like Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas? With the new chairs purchased by the Ladies Guild, the time has come to move some of our older items out of the Epiphany inventory of more than 850 chairs! Parishioners looking for an extra chair or two for those special events are invited to pick out and add to their personal inventory on Sunday, March 19, between Liturgies and immediately after second Liturgy. We will be giving away the older "all-metal" painted chairs used since our Founding. If you're in need of extra chairs, stop by the Chapel Basement March 19 from 9:30 to 10:30 am and after 11:30 am to claim up to five chairs (you'll be put on a waiting list if you need more).

Lenten Dinners! With the beginning of the Great Fast comes Lenten dinners, the six Fridays of Great Fast, excluding Good Friday.

Desserts are needed each week. Create your favorite dessert and bring it to share. Please list the ingredients and put it in the walk-in refrigerator.

Lenten Dinners Parking. Carousel Day Care has six designated parking spaces for child drop off and pickup. The exclusive use of these parking spaces is part of the rental agreement between Epiphany of Our Lord and Carousel Day Care. Please do not park in these parking spaces, which are clearly marked, until close of the day care business day at 6:30 PM.

Epiphany Men's Club. A budget change was approved that will add up to \$15,000.00 towards the boiler replacement for the Parish Center. The monthly drawing for a set of four (4) Washington National tickets will start at the upcoming April 6th meeting. Each EMC attendee will be entered to win. Twenty-five members attended the March 9th meeting.

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.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal 2016. The parish goal for the this year is \$19,800. Also, as last year if the