



ΕΠΙΦΑΝΙΑ OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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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

Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

<http://www.eolbcc.org>

Epiphany of Our Lord does not conduct pastoral business on the website email.

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

April 2, 2017

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Mary of Egypt - Venerable

Apr. 02 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Julia Hancher by Epiphany Ladies Guild

SIXTH WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

Apr. 05 Wed. 7:30 PM Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Apr. 07 Fri. 7:30 PM Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Saturday of Lazarus

Apr. 08 Sat. 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on John Montelione by Joseph Stone

ENTRANCE OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Apr. 09 Sun. 8:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Peter Wegman by Wegman Family
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – April 9, 2017

Apr. 09 Sun. 8:00 AM BCY
10:30 AM J. Naccash (L), T. Clark, James Hughes, D. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – April 9, 2017

Apr. 09 Sun. 8:00 AM BCY
10:30 AM E. Koval (L), K. Hogan, R. Parrell, T. Soyka

designs and specification of materials are the work of Thomas Kerns of Kerns Group Architects, the architect for our new church. The conceptual design of our new church is the inspiration and labor of Thomas Kerns himself. Since the church design was his inspiration, he was also asked to design the commemorative marker and the donor wall. The shape of the commemorative marker and also the donor wall is from the elevation cut-away of the main section of the new church and each is to be executed in two woods since the inspiration church for our church is a wooden church, Saint Nicholas Church, Husnyj, Transcarpathian oblast', Ukraine. The first product to be completed is the commemorative marker containing the historical record of the consecration and the names of the parish planning committee. Last year, the correct spelling and rendering of the names of the planning committee members was requested. The final designs of the cross on the dome cut-away, and the completed draft design will soon be presented for approval. Following fabrication and installation the donor and memorial wall will be initiated. For more information about W & E Baum please visit www.webaum.com or www.webaumchurch.com. While the parish could have contracted with lesser companies that might have offered cheaper options, it was felt that the tremendous work of the parish planning committee and the sacrificial offerings and time of our parishioners to make the church a reality along with the donors of specific furnishings and appointments was worthy to be commemorated only by one of the finest companies.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal 2016. The parish goal for the this year was \$19,800. To date, 78 families and one organization have contributed \$20,170.00 Our reversion for this year will be applied toward the boiler. Thank you for your generosity!

Pilgrimage Opportunities this Summer.

Bishop Kurt has asked pastors to inform parishioners about these upcoming pilgrimages early enough for them to make plans. The first pilgrimage is the St. Nicholas Pilgrimage at Carpathian Village on Sunday, July 9. This pilgrimage will be preceded by a camp for the married priests and their families. Father Salnick is the coordinator for these events. The second pilgrimage is the Sybertsville Pilgrimage held by the Franciscan Friars on Sunday, August 6, the Feast of the Transfiguration. There will be Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at 1:00 PM and other events throughout the day. The third pilgrimage is the Sloatsburg Pilgrimage held by the Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate on Saturday, August 12 and Sunday, August 13. Traditionally, Saturday was Ruthenian Day and Sunday was Ukrainian Day. On Saturday, August 12 at 1:00 PM Father Jack Custer will celebrate the Akathist, at 5:00 PM Father James Spera will celebrate the Divine Liturgy and preach, at 7:30 PM there is a Panachida, and then at 8:00 PM your own Bishop Kurt will celebrate the Moleben and preach.

Icon Show. "Divine Light", the icons of iconographer Laura Clerici will be shown at the Gallery Underground, 2100 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA beginning tomorrow, April 3rd to April 28th. The opening reception will be April 7th, 5-8 PM. The artist will present talks on icons April 17th 4:15-5:00 PM; April 22nd 12:-1 PM; and April 27th 4:15-5:00 PM. Visit galleryunderground.org.

Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Bishop's Appeal
- Fasting Regulations for this week
- Resurrection Candles - today
- Guarding the Tomb
- Thank You
- ECF Almsgiving
- Lenten Dinners
- Lenten Dinner Parking
- Nut Roll Baking Thank You
- Easter Meats order forms due today
- Pussy Willows Needed
- Building Update
- ELG Meeting

EMC BINGO

04/04/17 Team A
 04/11/17 Team B - No Bingo
 04/18/17 Team C
 04/25/17 Team D
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

April 2, 2017

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations—March 26, 2017

Adults	\$3,162.00
Children	\$1.12
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Building Fund	\$760.00
School of Religion	\$71.00
Candles	\$112.11
Flowers	\$105.00
Holy Days	\$275.00
Easter	\$25.00
All Souls	\$20.00
BCY	\$5.00
ECL	\$12.00
Retired Priests	\$20.00
Missions	\$15.00
<u>St. Nicholas</u>	<u>\$138.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,726.23

*"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, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, Peter Wegman, Robert Hencken, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira, Robert Esser, and Irene Markovich. 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, Jim Sinclair and Sysan Seman. parish reaches the goal it will receive a

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, Elaine Rusinko-Rothenberg and Stuart Rothenberg, Marge Rusnak, Charles and Helen Russo, Michael and Carlyn Ryan & family, Sean and Neele Ryan & family, Timothy Ryan, Sr., Timothy and Tracey Ryan, Jr. & family, and from the Mission, Rosemary Chisarick.

Triodion in the 6th Week of Lent. The Triodion is the Lenten prayer book. Roughly it can be divided into three parts: the pre-Lenten preparation weeks, the Great Fast, and Great and Holy Week. Today, the Fifth Sunday of the Fast, is also the commemoration of Saint Mary of Egypt, the great sinner whose repentance made it possible for God to make her a great saint. During the sixth and final week of the Great Fast the hymns speak of the poor beggar Lazarus of the Lord's parable paralleled with hymns about the intensifying illness of Lazarus of Bethany, his death and burial and the coming of the Lord Jesus to raise His friend, Lazarus, which will trigger the conspiracy to crucify the Lord. During the sixth week of the Great Fast the account from Genesis is read of the story Isaac's illness and death, Isaac's son Jacob-Israel receiving the blessing while the eldest Esau does not, and the beginning of the story of the selling of Joseph by the other eleven brothers of Israel-Jacob into slavery in Egypt. While the action of the brothers is terrible, it will become a blessing in the end, but that part of the narrative is read in Great Week to reveal that it is a prophecy about Jesus. This Friday after Presanctified Liturgy the Great Fast ends. There is a two day festal interlude, Lazarus

Saturday and Palm Sunday, before the events of Great and Holy Week begin.

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.

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 sign-up 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.

Resurrection Candles. If you would like to offer an Easter candle in remembrance of a departed love one, please visit the parish Office between the Divine Liturgies or on the weekdays from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM beginning today Sunday, April 2nd. All candles will be lit for every liturgy during the Easter Season.

Condolences. We offer condolences to Sophia Tanner and her family upon the death of her father, +John Mellos, who died Thursday, March 30th. The funeral will be April 7th at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Piscataway, NJ. Burial will be in Butler, PA. May God grant His departed servant, +John, peaceful repose. Vicnja jemu pamjat'.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You. We acknowledge and appreciate our teen and young adult parishioners who put our Lenten prayer of repentance into action with their prostrations at the Matins of St. Andrew of

Crete this past Wednesday. We would only be able to do it with you and we thank you.

EMC. The next meeting of Epiphany Men's Club is this Thursday, April 6th. Our first Nationals tickets drawing will be for the May 3rd games against Arizona. Hors d'oeuvres start at 6:30 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM and the meeting kick off at 7:30 PM. You must be present to win!!!

ECF-SOR – Almsgiving * FOOD PANTRY – Food for Others * NOVA families in need During the year and especially during all the weeks of the Great Fast we are collecting items to help others in need: **ALL ITEMS STILL NEEDED** : Week 1 - 5 - toothbrushes toothpaste, uncooked pasta, canned tomatoes & tomato paste, any type of tomato sauces **Collection area – Parish Center**

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

Lenten Dinners! This Friday is our last Lenten Dinner. Desserts are needed.

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.

Baseball Game. On Sunday, June 11th, Epiphany Men's Club will sponsor a baseball trip to Washington, DC to see the Nationals play against the Texas Rangers. The bus will leave Epiphany parking lot at 2:15 PM. The game begins at 4:05 PM. The cost is \$36/ticket, which includes transportation, beverages, and snacks. Reservations are being accepted now. Contact Ed Gubanich at 703-978-3824 or email ED1345@aol.com; Jack Kepick at 703-455-6510.

Pussy Willows. If you have pussy willows, please bring them this week.

Epiphany Ladies Guild. Epiphany Ladies Guild will host their Spring Dance Saturday, May 6th from 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM. Included in the ticket price of \$20 for adults, \$10 for students are appetizers, dinner, beer, wine, soft drinks, coffee, tea, a 20' dessert bar, and live music provided by The Fairfax Swing Band. **Paska Baking.** Epiphany Ladies Guild will be baking Paska for purchase before Easter this Saturday, April 8th. Volunteers are needed! Early birds begin at 7:00 AM, decorators at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center kitchen.

ELG Nut Roll Baking Thank You. We would like to extend heartfelt thanks to all of the parishioners (and friends of parishioners!) who joined us on March 8th and March 11th to assist with making nut rolls. It was wonderful to see many new faces, and we appreciate the on-the-job training provided to rookies by our veteran dough makers, weighers, rollers, bakers, butterers, and baggers. The final count was 592 rolls, and we anticipate sales to bring in more than \$7,000 to support the parish and community activities. We couldn't have done it without you! Again, thank you very much, and please consider this an early call for participation at our next nut roll baking day in July! - Kyra Gerardi and Nancy Soyka

ELG. The next ELG meeting will be tomorrow night, Monday April 3rd, in the Parish Center. Refreshments will be served at 7:00 PM with the meeting following at 7:30 PM.

Building Update. Last year, 2016, the parish contracted with W & E Baum located in Freehold, NJ, a nationally recognized company specializing in the science and art of memorialization and recognition walls and donor and commemorative products. We have engaged their church division to fabricate both the commemorative marker for the consecration of the Holy Table and Church, and the donor and memorial wall and have made an initial payment. Both of these are to be located in two parts of the south wall of the narthex. The