

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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Byzantine Catholic Church

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Very Rev. John G. Basarab - Pastor

Glory to Jesus Christ
Glory Forever!

January 15, 2017

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

THIRTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jan. 15 Sun. 8:00 AM +Joseph and +Anastacia Dubiansky by Hancher Family
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

Thirty-first Week after Pentecost

Jan. 17 Tues. 10:00 AM +Esther Royal by Bill Baranowski

Jan. 21 Sat. 10:00 AM +Toney Tucker by Regina Dolan

THIRTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jan. 22 Sun. 8:00 AM +Kathleen Ryan by Bette Yurcik
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – January 22, 2017

Jan. 22 Sun. 8:00 AM Joseph Hughes (L), J. Cooke, T. Hughes, P. O'Leary
10:30 AM J. Naccash (L), T. Clark, James Hughes, D. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – January 15, 2017

Jan. 22 Sun. 8:00 AM T. Susco (L), J. Nashwinter, T. Ryan
10:30 AM J. Kepick (L), M. Bell, E. Gubanich

Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

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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 your 2016 pledge, which would help our Eparchy and our parish.

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 Ambrose Catholic School
OPEN HOUSE - JANUARY 29, 2017
11a.m – 1p.m.** Registration is open for the 2017/2018 school year Visit www.stambroseschool.org Saint Ambrose School is a Catholic elementary school in Annandale for students in grades Pre-K through 8th. At Saint Ambrose, students are afforded every opportunity to achieve academic excellence and spiritual growth in a small, caring community environment. Our talented and dedicated faculty and staff offer students a comprehensive educational program infused with art, enrichment, and technology opportunities. We would love for you and your child to be a part of our school community! Limited tuition assistance is available for eligible families.

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Bishop's Appeal
- Directories
- Calendars
- Bible Study
- Parish Office Schedule
- Nut Roll Baking
- Advance Planning Guest Speaker - Today
- National Prayer Vigil for Life
- Vocations to Holy Priesthood

<u>EMC BINGO</u>	
01/17/17	Team B
01/24/17	Team C
01/31/17	Team D
02/07/17	Team A

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–January 8, 2017

Adults	\$2,470.00
Children	\$13.05
Initial Offering	\$120.00
Building Fund	\$615.00
School of Religion	\$56.00
Candles	\$79.75
Holy Days	\$1,030.00
Boiler Fund	\$10.00
ECL	\$12.00
St. Nicholas	<u>\$15.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,420.80

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

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

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 Sherri Lee & family, Wayne Lee & family, Carol Little, Kent and Michelle Logsdon & family, Patricia Loomis, Marilou and David MacDonnell, Christine Male & family, and from the Mission, Amanda Nickerson & family.

Lamp and Light. Bible Study with Deacon Peter will be Wednesday, January 18th at 7:00 PM in the Chapel basement.

Holy Water. Holy Water blessed for the feast of the Theophany is available today in the narthex of the church.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Office Schedule. In observance of the two federal holidays this week, Martin Luther King's birthday observance Monday and the Presidential Inauguration on Friday, the Parish Office will be closed both days. The office will observe regular office hours Tuesday, January 17th through Thursday, January 19th.

Bulletin Announcement Deadline. Because the office will be closed Friday, January 20th in observance of the federal holiday for the Inauguration, the deadline for bulletin announcement is Tuesday by 2:00 PM this week.

End of Life Planning. Today, Sunday January 15, begins the first of three presentations to help us with end-of-life planning. The presentation will take place in the Parish Center between the Divine Liturgies. A representative from Fairfax Memorial Park will speak about opening a new section for our parishioners because the present Epiphany section is full. Prices for parishioners will be discussed. Next Sunday, January 22nd, the discussion will be how to plan for Power of Attorney and Catholic Church moral theology approved Medical Power of Attorney as well as Will preparation.

Sunday, January 29th, Liturgical Preparations will be the topic. What are the options for church funerals? This preparation can help you make decisions for your family so that they can know and respect your wishes. Also, since cremation is now allowed in the Catholic Church as long as the cremains are interred, how are cremains handled liturgically?

New 2006-2015 Parish Directory. If you have not yet picked up the new Parish Directory, copies are available in the Parish Office. A copy will be provided at no charge to each family that participated by having a picture taken or purchasing an ad. Additional copies are available to those who did not participate for a donation of \$30.00.

2017 Calendars. The calendars for 2017 have arrived and are available in the narthex of the church. Please take only one per family.

Thank You. We would like to thank Epiphany Ladies' Guild on behalf of Epiphany Parish for their generous gift of \$15,000.00 toward the replacement of the Parish Center boiler fund. This donation in combination with funds already raised and

contributed we are within \$14,000.00 of reaching our latest replacement estimate.

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.

Thank You. Thank you to those parishioners who organized to host the Epiphany Holy Supper last Sunday. Your resolve to ensure that our parish did not miss having our traditional gathering for our parish feast day is deeply appreciated. Everything was delicious and enjoyed by all. May God bless all of you.

Thank You. Sincere appreciation to our parishioners who decorated the church and chapel for Christmas and our sacristans who prepared the church for the feast of the Nativity and for Epiphany. A thank you to our parishioners who had decorated the hall. Thanks is also due to our cantors, servers, ushers, Slava Men's Chorus, office staff, and the parishioners who labored anonymously to offer honor to our Lord and His Mother on these feasts. May God bless all of you.

National Prayer Vigil for Life. The 38th annual Pro-Life Vigil will be held as usual at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. However, because of the inauguration this year the date has been moved from January 22 to Thursday, January 26th. The opening Mass will be 5:30 PM, celebrated by Timothy Cardinal Dolan in the Great Upper Church. Compline (Night Prayer) will be celebrated by Bishop Kurt Burnette at the Crypt Church at 10:00PM. Responses will be rendered by Epiphany cantors. Epiphany parishioners also serve each year as ushers. A van is being considered for transportation. If you wish to reserve a seat on the van, please see Chris Braunlich or contact the rectory office. The next morning January 27 prior to the March for Life at the National Mall, Bishop Kurt Burnette will offer a Divine Liturgy at Epiphany church. Participation in this Liturgy is for all and not just for March participants. A meal is being planned after the Liturgy.

Condolences. We offer our condolences to Nancy Stefan upon the death of her husband, Joseph Stefan, on January 5th. The funeral was offered by Epiphany of our Lord at Robert Pumphrey Funeral Home, Rockville, MD, January 11th. Interment was at All Souls Catholic Cemetery, Germantown, MD. May God grant His departed servant, +Joseph, peaceful repose. Vičnaja jemu pamjat'.

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