



**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	February 1, 2015	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

***SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON
PREFESTIVE DAY OF THE ENCOUNTER***

Feb. 01	Sun.	8:00 AM	+Patricia and +Michael Romanchok by the Kotula Family
		10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

Thirty-fifth Week after Pentecost

ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON

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

SYNAXIS OF SIMEON AND ANNA

Feb. 03	Tues.	10:00 AM	+Raymond McCracken by Marlene
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Feb. 06	Fri.	10:00 AM	+Nancy Skapiak by Noyes Family
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First All Souls Saturday

Feb. 07	Sat.	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy and Remembrance of the Departed
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SUNDAY OF MEATFARE

Feb. 08	Sun.	8:00 AM	Divine Liturgy Invoking the Help of the Holy Spirit for Lewis Rabayda
		10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – February 8, 2015

Feb. 08	Sun.	8:00 AM	C. Susco (L), J. Jaimes, J. O’Leary
		10:30 AM	D. Naccash (L), T. Clark, J. Hogan, James Soyka

USHER SCHEDULE – February 8, 2015

Feb. 08	Sun.	8:00 AM	J. Susco (L), J. Fedorko, K. Koshute
		10:30 AM	G. Semonick (L), T. Fazio, K. Kepick

Sunday of the Prodigal Son. We disciples of Jesus, who are part of His Body by baptism, prepare to follow Him into the desert of the Great Forty Day Fast and obey His Gospel: “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 4:17). To prepare us for the Fast the holy fathers have appointed the gospel account of the parable of the Prodigal Son on the second preparation Sunday. Through the parable of the first preparation Sunday last week, the Lord Jesus teaches that the virtue of humility (Publican and Pharisee) makes it possible to repent while the vice of pride impedes it. Humility makes it possible to have repentance (Prodigal Son) which is the door by which we enter the Great Fast and receive God’s forgiveness. This parable forms an exact icon of repentance in its different stages. Sin is exile, enslavement to strangers, hunger. Repentance is the return home, freedom and future inheritance, but repentance requires action—“I shall get up and go” Luke 15:18—not just a feeling. Through the Great Fast we hope to enter the Kingdom of God and be saved. Saint Isaac the Syrian (7th century) said, “This life is given to you for repentance. Do not waste it on vain pursuits.”

Meeting of our Lord. The Meeting of our Lord with Simeon and Anna took place forty days after Christmas. The feast honors both our Lord, who was received by St. Simeon, as well as His Holy Mother, who Simeon spoke words of prophecy (Luke 2:22-38). Msgr. George would like to share the enclosed remarks of Pope Francis about motherhood that are enclosed in the bulletin.

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 7th.

Condolences. We offer condolences to Tim Ryan, Sr., Michael Ryan, Sean Ryan, Tim Ryan, Jr, and Megan Ryan upon the death of their wife and mother, +Kathleen Ryan, who died Monday, January 26th. The funeral was from Epiphany of Our Lord, Annandale, VA. yesterday, January 31st. Burial was from Fairfax Memorial Park, Fairfax, VA. May God grant His departed servant, +Kathleen, peaceful repose. Vicnaja jej pamjat’.

Condolences. We offer our condolences to Father Scott Boghossian upon the death of his father, George Boghossian, who passed away January 23, 2015. When Father Scott was a seminarian he was assigned to Epiphany parish for his seminary pastoral year 2000-2001. Father Scott was ordained a deacon at what is now the chapel and was ordained a priest at Saint Michael Cathedral, Passaic, NJ. A bus with our parishioners attended the ordination. Parishioners who attended the ordinations may remember Mr. Boghossian. If you would like to offer condolences, his address is Father G. Scott Boghossian, Saint Basil Church, 1475 NE 199th Street, Miami, FL 33179.

Adult Classes for Reception into the Catholic Church or Baptism. Classes will start soon for adults wishing to come into full Communion with the Catholic Church, and for those adults preparing for baptism in the Catholic Church. Please contact Deacon El, as soon as possible, to register and begin preparations for this process.

Inquirer's Classes. Informational classes for those interested in learning about the Byzantine Catholic tradition began Sunday, January 11th. If you are a Latin Catholic interested in finding out more about the Byzantine Catholic Church or just curious about us, please join the conversation. The classes will continue today, February 1st and February 8th between Divine Liturgies in the Chapel basement.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BCY Flea Market Rescheduled. Due to inclement weather last weekend, the BCY Flea Market has been postponed until Saturday, February 14th.

Lenten Dinners. LENTEN DINNERS ARE COMING SOON! Volunteers are needed to help with the Lenten dinners. A sign-up sheet is in the parish center on the brown doors. We need volunteers to fill every position including making soup.

Candy available for Valentine's Day – Don't forget your Favorite Sweetie! ELG will have chocolate candy available for purchase on Sundays, February 1st and 8th between liturgies. We'll sell until we run out! Share the love!

Nut Roll Baking. This Saturday, February 7, 2015, the Epiphany Ladies Guild will be baking nut, apricot, poppy seed, and lekvar rolls for the upcoming Lenten Dinners. Help with dough preparation will be needed as early as 6:45 AM. Rolling will begin at approximately 7:30 AM. Volunteers to bag the rolls and clean-up will be needed at 1:00 PM. Please come and participate in this important parish event. Your help is greatly appreciated. For more information, call Theresa Matlaga 703-802-1496 or Dolores Opachko at 703-938-2373. See insert in today's bulletin for more details.

EMC. All men of the parish are invited to attend the next meeting of the Epiphany Men's Club this Thursday, February 5th. Guest speaker will be Phil Rotondi, political director for the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare. Mr. Rotondi is a twenty-two year veteran of the United States House of Representatives where his experience includes work as a legislative director, chief of staff, and subcommittee staff director. His federal government service also includes four years in the Executive Branch with the Department of the Navy. He speaks frequently about Congress and the legislative process. The meeting begins with cocktails at 6:30 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM, and business meeting at 7:30 PM, followed by the guest speaker. Women of the parish are invited to attend the guest speaker's presentation beginning at 8:15 PM.

Super Bowl Bash. Epiphany Men's Club will sponsor Super Bowl Bash 2015 today February 1st in the Parish Center. Doors open at 4:30 PM. All parishioners are invited.

Giving Statements for 2014. Giving statements for 2014 will be mailed out next week.

EMC BINGO
02/03/15 Team D
02/10/15 Team A
02/17/15 Team B
02/24/15 Team C
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

Epiphany Bookstore. The Epiphany Bookstore is now located in the entry area of the Parish Center. It is open between liturgies on Sunday. Please stop by and check out our selection of icons, cards, crosses, books and gift items. All proceeds benefit the Epiphany Building Fund.

Ordination Announcement III. Subdeacon Lewis Rabayda, a parish vocation of Epiphany of our Lord, will be ordained Deacon Sunday, February 8, 2015 at 11:00 AM at Holy Ghost Byzantine Catholic Church, Jessup, PA, the parish where he is presently assigned. This is the third announcement.

Ordination Announcement II. Peter Turko, a parishioner of Epiphany parish who had completed the diaconal formation for the Eparchy of Passaic, will be tonsured and made a cleric and then ordained to the minor orders of Lector and Subdeacon Monday, February 9, 2015, at Epiphany of our Lord Church, Annandale, VA, at 7:30 PM. This is the second announcement.

Ordination Invitation. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend the ordination of parishioner, Peter Turko, to the minor orders of Lector and Subdeacon by Bishop Kurt Burnette at Epiphany of Our Lord Monday, February 9th at 7:30 PM. A dessert reception will follow the ordination in the parish center.

Continuing Verizon Issues. Although Verizon has attended to our fire phone lines over the past two weeks, we are still experiencing trouble. Verizon was here Wednesday to repair the line, however, the enunciator panel was still going off Friday morning. Verizon is scheduled to be at Epiphany tomorrow, Monday, February 2nd to attempt to repair the line once more. Silencing the enunciator panel only holds for 60 minutes before it begins to sound again.

Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

<http://www.eolbcc.org>

Epiphany of Our Lord Mission

<http://www.montgomerybvz.org>

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EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ecumenical Lecture. The Washington Theological Consortium (an association of a dozen theological schools in the Washington area) will hold the Seventh Annual Figel Address on Ecumenism on Tuesday evening, February 10, 2015 from 5:30-8:30 pm at the Pontifical Faculty of the Dominican House of Studies, 487 Michigan Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20017. The Consortium's ecumenism award for 2015 will be given to Fr. Dr. John Ford, CSC, Professor of Theology and Religious Studies at The Catholic University of America, who will give the address. Fr. Ford's title is "Vatican II's Decree on Ecumenism at Age Fifty: Exhausted Inheritance or Living Legacy?" The evening will include an ecumenical prayer service, reception, lecture and discussion. All is free and open to the public. RSVP's are requested to wtc@washtheocon.org or 202-832-2675. Epiphany parishioner, Lector Jack Figel, has been on the board of trustees of the Consortium for over ten years, and this annual lecture is named for him because of his ecumenical service to the Church and financial contributions to the Consortium.