



ΕPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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ΕPIPHANY 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
Mary Ann Dmochowski, 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 12:30 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.

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	February 21, 2016	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Feb. 21 Sun. 8:00 AM +Peter Gaydos by Mary Gaydos
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

THIRD WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

Finding of the Head of St. John the Baptist

Feb. 24 Wed. 7:30 PM Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Feb. 26 Fri. 7:30 PM Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Third All Souls Saturday

Feb. 27 Sat. 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy and Remembrance of the Departed

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Feb. 28 Sun. 8:00 AM +Flora Loretoni by Deacon Peter and Carren Turko
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – February 28, 2016

Feb. 28 Sun. 8:00 AM Joseph Hughes (L), James Hughes, J. Jaimes, C. Susco
10:30 AM D. Naccash (L), G. Noyes, J. Hogan, G. Noyes

USHER SCHEDULE – February 28, 2016

Feb. 28 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Nashwinter (L), H. Katawczik, T. Susco
10:30 AM J. Kepick (L), T. Fazio, D. Semanco

Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

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EPARCHIAL & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Year-Merciful like the Father. Pope Francis asks us to be God-like and practice the Spiritual Works of Mercy and the Corporal Works of Mercy. For the past seven weeks the Corporal Works of Mercy have been presented, one per week. The first Spiritual Work of Mercy is “To Instruct the Ignorant”. The US Bishops suggest these as ways to accomplish this Spiritual Work of Mercy. “(1) Learn about our faith and be open to talking with others about our beliefs. There is always something more to discover about our faith. (2) Go on a service trip or short term mission trip. No time? Donate to support someone on their service trip. (3) Volunteer to help with religious education programs at your parish. (4) Invite someone to go to Divine Liturgy with you this weekend. (5) Know your faith! Read through the *United States Catechism for Adults* (read on-line at www.usccb.org) and the three volume Byzantine Catholic adult catechism *Light for Life: I. The Mystery Believed, II. The Mystery Celebrated, III. The Mystery Lived* (not on-line) to find out more about the Catholic faith and how to live it.”

Extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy Service. Bishop Kurt Burnette has directed that churches in the Eparchy with a Holy Door are to schedule a special service on Saturday per month during the Holy Year. In our parish the Moleben to Jesus, the Lover of Mankind will be prayed.

Saint Faustina – Messenger of Mercy, the one-woman drama on the life of St. Faustina, comes to Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Thursday, March 3 at 7:00-8:30 PM.

Canonized by St. John Paul II, she is the saint associated with Divine Mercy Sunday celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. This internationally-acclaimed presentation is based on the Saint’s published Diary and gives greater understanding of God’s great mercy. For all ages - children welcome. No tickets needed; a free-will offering will be collected. Ample parking, wheelchair accessible. Performance in the church. 5121 Woodland Way, Annandale, VA 22003 [\(703\)978-8074](tel:(703)978-8074)

Bishop’s Appeal 2015 Matching Campaign – You Did It! On the January 31st update for our pledges, the Eparchy reported that we are within \$1,484 of our goal of \$19,800. With the match, we have now made our goal.

Second Sunday of the Great Fast

February 21, 2016

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special indulgences possible
- Bishops Appeal – with matching funds goal met
- Fasting regulations for this week.
- Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts– every Wednesday and Friday during the Great Fast
- Lenten Dinners – February 19th desserts needed.
- Financial Assistant leaving Epiphany
- Lenten and Easter supplies – now available in the Book Store
- Parish Directory – appointment scheduling for pictures
- Winter Weather Impact

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–February 14, 2016

Adults	\$3,331.50
Children	\$13.20
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Building Fund	\$882.00
School of Religion	\$106.00
Candles	\$227.01
Flowers	\$10.00
Holy Days	\$70.00
BCY	\$10.00
Hramoty	\$20.00
ECL	\$96.00
St. Nicholas	\$64.00
TOTAL	\$4,834.71

“With each contribution show a cheerful countenance and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy.” (Sirach 35:9)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Barbara Mohay, Michael Mikulak, Patricia Fedorko, Marge Rusnak, David Sayen, Marsha Puhak and Eric McDonnell. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O’Leary, Russell Plasha, William Brokaw, Maureen Guth, Linda Fisher, Tim O’Leary, and Joanne Gaudino.

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: Theodore and Carla Kutzlo, Gloria LaRoche, Martha and James Lamb, Lisa and Richard Lampl, Jennifer and Jose Lara Lopez & family, Joyce Lavaca, Sherri Lee & family, and from the Mission: Sheri and Edward Fogle & 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. The next one this year is this Saturday, February 27th.

Fasting Regulations. Wednesdays and Fridays during the Great Fast are days of abstinence in which no meat products are permitted.

Presanctified Liturgy. Since the Divine Liturgy is the re-presentation of the sacrificial death of the Lord Jesus on the cross and His resurrection from the dead, The Byzantine Church legislated that the Divine Liturgy was not to be celebrated on the weekdays of the Great Fast. This is because the Divine Liturgy re-presents the resurrection. Instead, Presanctified Liturgy, Vespers with the distribution of Holy Communion, was celebrated. The Church offers the image of the Chosen People traveling through the desert for forty years seeking the Promised Land while God sustained them on manna, the bread fallen from heaven. As we travel to the Promised Land of Easter we are sustained on the true Bread from Heaven, Holy Communion.

Jubilee Year Indulgences. Bishop Kurt has asked that in churches with a Holy Door, an appropriate prayer-service followed by the

Sacrament of Penance should be offered once each month on the first or second Saturday. Our parish will be praying the Moleben to Jesus, the Lover of Mankind.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Winter Weather impact. The inclement weather and especially the Blizzard, Jonas, had required much snow removal and applications of snow melt. The totals for Friday, Saturday, Sunday, January 22, 23, 24 during the blizzard, as well as the extra snow removal required to host the ordination and Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving is \$15,230.00. At the same time, there were only three people for Sunday Divine Liturgy on January 24th and no collection. Also, there have been several Bingo cancellations. Therefore, there were not the usual sources of income at the same time these snow removal bills came due.

Financial Assistant Leaving. Mary Ann Dmochowski has been the Financial Assistant for Epiphany Parish for the past six years. We wish her Health and God's Blessings as she begins her new job at St. Mark Roman Catholic Parish. She will temporarily fill in the gaps until a new financial assistant is hired and trained. Mary Ann is also temporarily manning the Parish Office on Sundays until a replacement for Irene, who recently retired from the position after forty years, can be found.

Lenten Dinners. LENTEN DINNERS HAVE BEGUN! Take out begins at 4:00 PM. Eat in begins at 5:00 PM. Service ends at 7:00 PM in time to attend Liturgy of Pre-sanctified Gifts at 7:30 PM.

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.

Lenten Dinner Desserts. Desserts for Lenten Dinners are needed. Please bring your baked items wrapped and labeled to the Parish Center on Sundays or Fridays during Lent.

Epiphany Bookstore. The Epiphany Bookstore is open each Sunday between liturgies in the Parish Center. Please check out the icons, books, religious goods and gift items available. All proceeds benefit the Epiphany Building Fund.

Lenten and Easter Supplies. As you prepare for Lent and Easter, remember to check out the Epiphany Bookstore for inspirational books for the Lenten season and your Easter supplies. The Bookstore is also open during Lenten Dinners on the Fridays of Lent.

Parish Directory. It is time to publish our Parish Directory once again. Don't miss your opportunity to be included in our upcoming edition. Schedule your appointment now to have your photo taken on the following dates between 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM in the Chapel: 3/06/16; 3/13/16; 4/10/16; 4/17/16; 5/15/16; 5/22/16. See the insert in today's bulletin for further details and instructions.

ORDINATION OF DEACON LEWIS PICTURES. Thanks to Greg and Julia Kowalski, a complete set of photos (over 500) from the Ordination of Deacon Lewis Rabayda to the Priesthood is available for viewing on the Epiphany photos website. Photos (about 300) from Father Lewis's first liturgy as a priest are also on the site. You can access the photos through the church website

(www.eolbcc.org) by clicking on the link "photos/video" or directly to the photo website <https://epiphanyffva.smugmug.com>. Then select "browse" to access all folders from various Epiphany events. Double click on the "Clergy Anniversaries and Ordinations" to view the folders containing photos of Father Rabayda's events.

Note: There is no charge for downloading these or any of the photos on the website to your personal devices to use as you choose. While viewing the photos on the website, you may notice a green "BUY" button. If you access this button, it will take you to an on-line site where you are able to create and purchase novelty items such as calendars and mugs using the photos from the website. Epiphany **does not** receive proceeds from these sales.