



# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

**Byzantine Catholic Church**

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<b>Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!</b>	<b>February 28, 2016</b>	<b>Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki!</b>
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## **DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE**

### *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

### *FOURTH WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST*

#### *MID-LENT*

Mar. 02 Wed.	7:30 PM	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts
Mar. 04 Fri.	7:30 PM	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

#### *Fourth All Souls Saturday*

Mar. 05 Sat.	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy and Remembrance of the Departed
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### *FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST*

Mar. 06 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	10:30 AM	+Glenn Burton Dana by Marlene Plasha Dana

### *ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – March 6, 2016*

Mar. 06 Sun.	8:00 AM	James Hughes (L), Joseph Hughes, T. Hughes, J. Jaimes
	10:30 AM	J. Naccash (L), G. Noyes, M. Noyes, James Soyka

### *USHER SCHEDULE – March 6, 2016*

Mar. 06 Sun.	8:00 AM	J. Kotula (L), K. Koshute, T. Ryan
	10:30 AM	R. Bass (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 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  
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](mailto:epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net)).

**Registration** – Individuals who wish to register in the Parish should stop by the Parish Office and complete a census form.

**Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA**

<http://www.eolbcc.org>

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

## 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 third Spiritual Work of Mercy is “To Admonish the Sinner”. The US Bishops suggest these as ways to accomplish this Spiritual Work of Mercy. “Do not judge, but be supportive in helping others find their way and correct their mistakes. Together we can learn to walk more closely with Christ. (1) In humility we must strive to create a culture that does not accept sin, while realizing that we all fall at times (2) Don't judge, but guide others towards the path of salvation (see [Mt 7:1-2](#)) (3) When you correct someone, don't be arrogant. We are all in need of God's loving correction. (4) We should journey together to a deeper understanding of our shared faith (5) ‘Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter from your brother's eye’ ([Mt 7:5](#))”

**Holy Year of Mercy-24 Hours for the Lord.** Pope Francis announced an initiative he called *24 Hours for the Lord* to be observed this Friday and Saturday, March 4 - 5, 2016. In the papal Bull of Indiction for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis wrote, “So many people, including young people, are returning to the Sacrament of Reconciliation; through this experience they are rediscovering a path back to the Lord, living a moment of intense prayer and finding meaning in their lives. Let us place the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the centre once more in such a way that it will enable people to touch the grandeur of God's mercy with their own hands. For every penitent, it will be a source of true interior peace.” The

Holy Father wishes the Sacrament of Penance made available to the members of the Body of Christ on these days as the center of the Year of Mercy. In this way, the mercy of God, in the forgiveness of sins, which flows from the Cross, will pour forth abundantly on the Church and the world. The domination of evil in the world will retreat before the force of God's merciful loving-kindness in the forgiveness of sins all over the world during these 24 hours. Our parish will begin the *24 Hours for the Lord* Friday, March 4 with Confession after Presanctified Liturgy. There will be confessions after the Divine Liturgy on Saturday, March 5. You may also avail yourself of the Sacrament of Penance at the Basilica of the National Shrine will have continuous exposition of the Blessed Sacrament March 3-5 at the Crypt Church and confessions each day 7:45-8:15 AM, 10:00 AM-12 Noon, and 3:30-6:00 PM. The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land, 14<sup>th</sup> and Quincy Streets, NE, Washington, DC, will have confessions 9:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 3:00 PM, and 4:00 PM.

**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.

*Third Sunday of the Great Fast*

*February 28, 2016*

## COMING EVENTS

*(see inside for details)*

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special indulgences possible
- Fasting regulations for this week.
- Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts– every Wednesday and Friday during the Great Fast
- Guarding the Tomb – sign up in the church Narthex
- Lenten Dinners – March 1<sup>st</sup> desserts needed.
- Lenten and Easter supplies – now available in the Book Store
- EMC meeting – March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Parish Directory – appointment scheduling for pictures
- 24 Hours for the Lord – March 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>

## TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–February 21, 2016

Adults	\$2,305.00
Children	\$16.45
Initial Offering	\$20.00
Building Fund	\$687.00
School of Religion	\$101.00
Candles	\$162.30
Flowers	\$405.00
Holy Days	\$3.00
BCY	\$10.00
ECL	\$72.00
St. Nicholas	\$57.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,838.75</b>

*“Do not store up treasure on earth, but store up treasures in heaven...for where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”*  
(Matthew 6:19-21)

## 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: Wayne Lee,, Jacob Lichman, Carol Little, Kent and Michelle Logsdon & family, Patricia Loomis, Marilou and David MacDonnell, Christine Male & family, and from the Mission: Andrew Haba.

**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, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

**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.

**Resurrection Candles.** If you would like to offer an Easter candle in remembrance of a departed loved one, please visit the parish Office between Divine Liturgies on Sunday, or on weekdays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM beginning next Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. All candles will be lit for every liturgy during the Easter Season.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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.

**EMC Meeting.** The next Epiphany Men's Club meeting will be this Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM, with meeting following at 7:30 PM. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend.

**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.