



# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

**Byzantine Catholic Church**

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<b>Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!</b>	<b>March 13, 2016</b>	<b>Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki!</b>
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## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

*Mary of Egypt - Venerable*

Mar. 12 Sun.	8:00 AM	+Norman and +Florence Andersen by LaDonna Rodock
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

### SIXTH WEEK OF THE GREAT FAST

Mar. 16 Wed.	7:30 PM	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts
Mar. 18 Fri.	7:30 PM	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

### Saturday of Lazarus

Mar. 19 Sat.	10:00 AM	+Peter Patchan by Michael and Dolores Opachko
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### ENTRANCE OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Mar. 20 Sun.	8:00 AM	+Paraska Drozd by the Kuklish Family
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – March 20, 2016

Mar. 20 Sun.	8:00 AM	BCY
	10:30 AM	Demetrius Clark (L), T. Clark, J. Naccash, G. Noyes

### USHER SCHEDULE – March 20, 2016

Mar. 20 Sun.	8:00 AM	BCY
	10:30 AM	R. Parrell (L), E. Gubanich, J. Kepick, E. Koval

## 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.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

**EMC. Please NOTE:** There will be no Men's Club breakfast next Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday. The next breakfast will be held Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

<u>EMC BINGO</u>	
03/15/16	Team B
03/22/16	Team C
03/29/16	Team D
04/05/16	Team A
<a href="http://EMCBINGO.com">http://EMCBINGO.com</a>	

## 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 seven weeks the Corporal Works of Mercy have been presented, one per week. Now the Spiritual Works of Mercy are being presented. The fifth Spiritual Work of Mercy is "To Forgive Injuries". The US Bishops suggest these as ways to accomplish this Spiritual Work of Mercy "Forgiving others is difficult at times because we do not have God's limitless mercy and compassion. But Jesus teaches us that we should forgive as God forgives, relying on him to help us show others the mercy of God:

(1) Let go of grudges; (2) Saying 'I am sorry' is something we learn as kids, but how often do we really mean it? Forgiveness transforms hearts and lives; (3) Participate in the Sacrament of Penance; (4) Pray the Moleben to Jesus the Lover of Mankind at [www.metropolitancantorinstitute.org](http://www.metropolitancantorinstitute.org) or The Akathist Hymn to the Most Sweet Lord Jesus Christ in *Byzantine Book of Prayer*, Pittsburgh, 1976."

**Byzantine Catholic Seminary.** Archbishop Skurla has sent cards with the photographs of the seminarians of Byzantine Catholic Seminary, SS. Cyril and Methodius of the 2015-2016 academic year. He requests prayers for the seminarians and vocations to the priesthood. Whoever would like to pray daily for these seminarians can take one of the photographs, which are available in the Narthex of the church, while supplies last.

*Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast*

*March 13, 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 at 7:30 PM during the Great Fast
- Guarding the Tomb – sign up in the church Narthex
- Lenten Dinners – March 18<sup>th</sup> desserts needed.
- Easter Meats – pick-up dates, Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Lenten and Easter supplies – now available in the Book Store
- Parish Directory – appointment scheduling for pictures
- EMC – No March EMC breakfast; Next breakfast, April 17<sup>th</sup>
- BCY Flea Market – Donation drop off dates

## TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations—March 6, 2016

Adults	\$4,133.00
Children	\$18.00
Building Fund	\$1,045.00
School of Religion	\$86.00
Candles	\$104.00
Flowers	\$40.00
Holy Days	\$50.00
BCY	\$5.00
Holy Days	\$50.00
Missions	\$500.00
Snow Removal	\$200.00
Easter	\$85.00
ECL	\$12.00
Byzantine Mission Churches	\$500.00
St. Nicholas	\$48.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,326.00</b>

*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse. That there may be food in my house, and try me in this, says the Lord of hosts; Shall I not open for you the floodgates of heaven, to pour down blessings upon you without measure?" (Malachi 3:10)*

## LITURGY AND LIFE

**Prayer Intentions.** Please remember in prayer: Barbara Mohay, Michael Mikulak, Patricia Fedorko, Marge Rusnak, David Sayen, Marsha Puhak, Eric McDonnell, and Helen Capar. 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: Theresa Matlaga and Daniel Palenski, Maryann and John Mattey, Betty Mattingly, Marlene McCracken, Victoria McCracken, Francis and Sandy McDonnell & family, Mary McDonnell and from the Mission: Jenny Hakun.

**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 Saturday, May 14<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.

**Pussy Willows.** With these few days of warmer weather the pussy willows needed for Palm Sunday next week are beginning to bud. Please check the pussy willows growing in your yard and please share them with Epiphany for Palm Sunday. Be generous in the length of the cut. Bring them to the basement of the chapel before Friday and leave them in the receptacle by the stairs.

**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. All candles will be lit for every liturgy during the Easter Season.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lenten Dinners. LAST LENTEN DINNER THIS WEEK!** Take out begins at 4:00 PM. Eat in begins at 5:00 PM. Nutrolls are being sold during Lenten Dinners and Sundays between Divine Liturgies in the Parish Center while supplies last. Service ends at 7:00 PM in time to attend Liturgy of Pre-sanctified Gifts at 7:30 PM.

**Paska.** Epiphany Ladies Guild is baking Paska this Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Early bird help is needed at 7:00 AM to make dough, spray pans, set up for decorating and buttering. Decorating begins at 8:45 AM. Buttering and bagging begins at Noon until 3:30 PM. Please help the ELG do this big job. The Paska will be available for purchase on Palm Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Easter Meats.** This Friday is the last chance to order Easter meats. Pick-up dates for your orders will be Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon and Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> between Divine Liturgies and after the 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy. Payments are due at pick-up. Additional order forms and the meat order deposit box are located in the Parish Center.

**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 the last of the Lenten Dinners are needed. Please bring your baked items wrapped and labeled to the Parish Center on today or this Friday for the final Lenten Dinner this 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 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: 3/13/16; 4/10/16; 4/17/16; 5/15/16; 5/22/16. See the insert in today’s bulletin for further details and instructions.

**It’s Time to Start Your Spring Cleaning!** The BCY is conducting a donation drive to raise funds for the ByzANTEEN Youth rally this year. Since donated clothes are not accepted at the Slavic American Festival Rummage Sale in the Fall, bring them in for the BCY Flea Market this Spring! The BCY is looking for donations of gently used clothes and/or other items such as household goods, toys, furniture, etc. Donations can be dropped off in the chapel basement on the following Sundays: March 20, 27 and April 3 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. These items will be sold at the Flea Market April 9<sup>th</sup>, sponsored by the BCY. The hours for the Flea Market are 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

**Easter Candy.** Easter candy will be available for purchase Palm Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> between Divine Liturgies. Fill those Easter baskets and support the Epiphany Ladies Guild candy making project.