



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 FOCUS, 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.

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Voskrese!	March 27, 2016	Christos Voskrese! Voistinnu
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Mar. 27 Sun.	7:00 AM	Resurrection Matins
	8:00 AM	Easter Divine Liturgy
	10:30 AM	Easter Divine Liturgy

BRIGHT WEEK

BRIGHT MONDAY

Mar. 28 Mon.	10:00 AM	+John Lichvarcik by Elizabeth Lichvarcik
	7:30 PM	Intention of Parishioners

BRIGHT TUESDAY

Mar. 29 Tues.	10:00 AM	+Darcie Santoro by Santoro Family
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BRIGHT SATURDAY

Apr. 02 Sat.	10:00 AM	+George Mocharko by Epiphany Ladies Guild
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THOMAS SUNDAY

Apr. 03 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	10:30 AM	+Julia Hancher by Grandchildren & Great-Grandchild

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – April 3, 2016

Apr. 03 Sun.	8:00 AM	J. Cooke (L), Joseph Hughes, J. Jaimes, C. Susco
	10:30 AM	D. Naccash (L), James Soyka (L), G. Noyes, M. Noyes

USHER SCHEDULE – April 3, 2016

Apr. 03 Sun.	8:00 AM	H. Katawczik (L), J. Kotula, J. Nashwinter
	10:30 AM	T. Fazio (L), J. Lichman, D. Semanco

Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

2016 Epiphany Parish Directory— Accepting Ads and Memorials Now!

Don't miss this opportunity to promote your business, place a memorial to a loved one, or acknowledge your family's support of this Epiphany project with a congratulatory note. Four ad sizes available, starting at \$40 for business card size. See sample ads in bookstore or in the narthex/vestibule of the church. Ad Space is limited so reserve now. The deadline is May 31, 2016. Questions? Email Debra Bass, bassdd@mindspring.com.

2016 Epiphany Parish Directory—Looking for pictures of First Reconciliation from 2006 through 2015! We are looking for copies of the pictures from the First Reconciliation groups for the years 2006 through 2015. If you have one of these special pictures, we would like a copy of it or the opportunity to borrow it so we can scan it. Please contact Julie and Greg Kowalski at 703-354-7147 if you have one of these pictures. Thank you!

Men's Club Meeting: The next meeting of the Epiphany Men's Club will be on Thursday, April 7, in the Parish Hall. All men of the parish are invited! Guest speaker will be Rich Custer, a founder of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society in 1994, and editor of its *New Rusyn Times* newsletter since. He is the author of scholarly and popular articles on Rusyn history and culture and the blog *The Carpatho-Rusyns of Pennsylvania*, <http://rusynsofpa.blogspot.com>. He co-authored *Príkra* (Prešov, Slovakia, 2006), a history of his Rusyn maternal grandmother's village in eastern Slovakia. He holds master's degrees in international business and Eastern Europe studies from the University of Pittsburgh. Mr. Custer will be speaking on his 25 years of research on the history of

Carpatho-Rusyns in Pennsylvania. The meeting starts with 6:30 pm cocktails, 7:00 pm dinner and a 7:30 pm meeting start time.

EMC BINGO

03/29/16 Team D
04/05/16 Team A
04/12/16 Team B
04/19/16 Team C
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

EPARCHIAL & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Sunday

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special indulgences possible
- Welcome
- Blessing of Easter Baskets – after both Divine Liturgies Easter
- BCY Easter Egg Hunt – Easter Sunday following 8:00 AM Divine Liturgy– children 10 and under
- Parish Office Schedule
- BCY Flea Market – Donation drop off dates
- Parish Directory – appointment scheduling for pictures and AD information
- St. Thomas Sunday-April 3rd Supper following 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy
- EMC – Meeting, April 7th Next breakfast, April 17th

March 27, 2016

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–March 20, 2016

Adults	\$4,857.00
Children	\$21.80
Building Fund	\$1,000.00
School of Religion	\$121.00
Candles	\$135.90
Flowers	\$5.00
Holy Days	\$148.00
Easter	\$530.00
Flowery Sunday	\$473.00
BCY	\$5.00
Missions	\$10.00
St. Nicholas	\$87.00
TOTAL	\$7,393.70

“Of everything you give Me, I will faithfully return a tenth part to you.” (Genesis 28:22)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Welcome. On this glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord, we welcome relatives of parishioners, guests and visitors who have come to celebrate with us and share in the joy of Our Lord's victory over death. We sincerely hope and pray that your visit with us is a holy and grace filled one and that you will return to visit us often. We greet you with the blessing of the Lord's Resurrection in these languages traditional to the Ruthenian Church and also those used by some parishioners as a sign that salvation is open to the whole world:

Slavonic: Christos voskrese!

Voistinnu voskrese!

Church Slavonic Христось Воскресе.
Воистину Воскресе.

Latin	Christus Resurrexit! Vere Resurrexit!
English:	Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen!
Rusin:	Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!
Hungarian:	Feltamádt Krisztus! Valóban feltamádt!
Slovak:	Kristus vstal zmŕtvych! Skutočne vstal!
Greek:	Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Χριστός Ανέστη. Αληθώς Ανέστη.
Spanish:	¡Cristo es resucitado! ¡Verdaderamente! ha resucitado!
Italian	Cristo è risorto! È veramente risorto!
French	Le Christ est ressuscité! Vraiment Il est ressuscité!
Romanian	Hristos a înviat! Adevărat a înviat!
Czech	Kristus vstal z mrtvých! Vpravdě vstal z mrtvých!
Polish	Chrystus zmartwychwstał! Prawdziwie zmartwychwstał!
German	Christus ist auferstanden! Er ist wahrhaftig auferstanden!
Scots Gaelic	Tha Crìosd air èiridh! Gu dearbh, tha e air èiridh!
Irish	Tá Críost éirithe! Go deimhin, tá sé éirithe!
Japanese	ハリストス復活 ! 実に復活 !

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 seventh Spiritual Work of Mercy is “To Pray for the Living and the

Dead”. The US Bishops suggest these as ways to accomplish this Spiritual Work of Mercy “Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God’s care. (1) Request a Divine Liturgy intention for a friend or family member who is going through a tough time. (2) Request a Divine Liturgy intention for a friend or family member who has passed away. (3) Keep your own book of prayer intentions, writing down the names of those who you are keeping in your prayers. (4) Ask a friend or family member if there is anything you can pray for them about. (5) Through prayer, entrust your cares and concerns for those around you to God.”

Fasting Regulations. There is no fasting Bright Friday or any days of Bright Week as all the days of Bright Week are an extension of Easter Sunday.

Paschal Rituals. We express our joy in the resurrection by several rituals during Bright Week: (1) The Royal Doors and Deacon Doors are opened during Bright Week as a sign that heaven is reopened to the human race through the Resurrection of our Lord. (2) As a sign of the joy that is ours in the resurrection, we do not kneel from Easter Sunday until Pentecost for any of the liturgical services, for the time of penance is completed, and joy now reigns. We stand instead of kneeling and we stand whenever *Christ is risen* is sung. We sit at the epistle and homily. You may sit at the litanies, the first and second antiphons and the Troparia. You may sit at other times, except when *Christ is risen* is sung. (3) During Bright Week no personal commemorations for the living or the departed are made during the Liturgy and at the conclusion of Liturgy. After Bright Week, commemorations are made for intentions, but with the proper response of “Many years...” or “Eternal

Memory.”(4) The Artos (Greek: Bread) is blessed and placed on the tetrapod. The risen Lord ate with his disciples during the forty days from Pascha to Ascension. Jesus said, “I am the living Bread that came down from heaven” (John 6:51). The Artos is placed in the middle of the churches “in full view of the faithful to serve as their same reminder of the invisible presence of the Lord with us” (Bulgakov, Kiev, 1900).

Blessed Palms and Willows should be kept in your home, usually at the icon corner or crucifix, as a witness to the Lord’s presence in your life. Last year’s palms and willows are blessed sacramentals and should be destroyed by burning or burying them or bring them to the hall in the chapel basement and place them in the receptacle provided. ***Do not throw them into the garbage.***

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.

Traditional Blessing of Paschal Foods will take place after both Divine Liturgies on Sunday morning.

St. Thomas Sunday. The St. Thomas Dinner will be held in the Parish Center on Sunday, April 3rd after the 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Office Schedule. In observance of the Resurrection of Our Lord, the Parish Office will be closed for Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday, and Bright Monday. Office hours will resume Tuesday, March 29th.

Easter Egg Hunt. The BCY will once again hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt this morning immediately following 8:00 AM Easter Divine Liturgy. Hundreds of eggs have been scattered on Epiphany’s grounds, with a special area set aside for younger children. Don’t forget to look for the “special eggs!”

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 27th and April 3rd from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. These items will be sold at the Flea Market April 9th, sponsored by the BCY. The hours for the Flea Market are 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Parish Directory - Make sure you are included!

It is time to publish our Parish Directory once again. We have already begun taking photos so don't miss your chance to be included in our upcoming edition. Appointments will fill up quickly. Schedule to have your photo taken by one of our parishioners who is a professional photographer so there is no pressure or sales pitch to sit through. Photos will be taken on the following Sundays between 9:00am and 1:00pm in the Chapel: 4/10/16; 4/17/16; 5/15/16; and 5/22/16. See the insert in today's bulletin for further details and instructions or look on the bottom of the home page of Epiphany's web site at www.eolbcc.org to get a link to the scheduling software.