



**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD  
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**Christ is Risen!  
Indeed He is Risen!**

**May 3, 2015**

**Christos Voskrese!  
Voistinnu Voskrese!**

***DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE***

***SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN***

May 03 Sun. 8:00 AM +Joseph Kodman by Helen and Peter Wegman  
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

***FIFTH PASCHAL WEEK***

May 06 Wed. 10:00 AM +Charles Sikoryak by Gerardi Family

***Blessed Theresa Miriam Demjanovich***

May 08 Fri. 7:30 PM +Julia Hancher by Michael Hancher

May 09 Sat. 10:00 AM +Elmer Anthony Pekarik by Elmer and Sally Pekarik

***SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND***

May 10 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Mothers Living and Deceased  
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

***ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – May 10, 2015***

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

***USHER SCHEDULE – May 10, 2015***

May 10 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Susco (L), J. Kotula, J. Nashwinter  
10:30 AM J. Mattingly (L), J. Kepick, D. Semanco

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

May 3, 2015

**Sunday of the Samaritan Woman.** The fifth Sunday of Pascha is called the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman because the gospel account appointed for this Sunday is the account of the discussion between the Lord Jesus and the Samaritan Woman at Jacob's well. The gospel accounts on the first three Sundays were of the event of the resurrection of our Lord. The fourth, fifth, and sixth Sundays are about the meaning and the effect of the resurrection of Jesus Christ on us. Certain elements are evident in the selection of the gospels of these Sundays.

1. They all have water: the pool of Bethesda, Jacob's well, and the water from the mouth of Jesus in the three Sunday gospels. These are signs of baptism by which a human creature becomes a human son or daughter of God and participates in the death and resurrection of Christ.
2. The selection of the gospel alternates each Sunday between men and women encountering Christ showing the universal meaning of the resurrection.
3. Jesus speaks about the Holy Spirit and this can direct our thoughts to Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit.
4. The accounts all reveal that the perfect man Jesus, is also perfect God and the meaning of His teaching and claim to be God as in today's gospel or His miracles as in last and next Sunday's gospels are fully understood only after the resurrection.

The gospel and the reading from Acts read on this Sunday is the source for why Catholics believe certain things.

1. Jesus Christ is God and Man.
2. What Jesus Christ taught about baptism the Church teaches.
3. What Jesus did He gives to the Church to do, for as Jesus seeks and invites the Samaritan, Barnabas and Paul invite Gentiles in the Acts of the Apostles so the Church is always missionary. The pattern of Christian life we lead comes from what our Lord did on Easter as reflected in these Paschal readings.

**First Feastday for Blessed Miriam Teresa.** The first feastday for Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich, the first American Byzantine Ruthenian to be beatified will be this Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Kurt Burnette will celebrate a prayer service (moleben) to the Blessed Miriam Teresa 4PM at the Chapel of the Holy Family of the Sisters of Charity in Convent Station, NJ, the motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth, the religious congregation in which Blessed Miriam Teresa was a sister. The Prayer Service is open to the public. Epiphany parish will celebrate her first feastday with a Divine Liturgy Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Mother's Day Breakfast.** The Epiphany Men's Club will host the annual Mother's Day breakfast next Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Center from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. All parishioners are welcome. All women are complimentary.

**Epiphany Men's Club Meeting.** The next EMC meeting is scheduled for next Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM with the meeting following at 7:30 PM

**Baseball Game Reminder.** On Sunday, June 7, 2015, the Epiphany Men's Club will sponsor a baseball trip to Washington, D.C. to see the Chicago Cubs vs. Washington Nationals. The game starts at 4:05 PM. The bus will leave from Epiphany parking lot at 2:30 PM. Ticket cost is \$36, which includes transportation, beverages and snacks. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Ed Gubanich at 703-978-3824 or by email [ED13456@aol.com](mailto:ED13456@aol.com); Jack Kepick at 703-455-6510; or Jerry Mattingly at 703-978-1656. Make checks payable to Epiphany Men's Club. If you have not confirmed your reservation, please do so immediately.

<u>EMC BINGO</u> 05/05/15 Team A 05/12/15 Team B 05/19/15 Team C 05/26/15 Team D <a href="http://EMCBINGO.com">http://EMCBINGO.com</a>
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## EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**New Order to Acknowledge Catechists' Service.** Bishop Kurt Burnette wishes to acknowledge the importance of the work of catechesis to the life of the Church by establishing The Order of Ss. Cyril and Methodius for catechists of the Eparchy of Passaic. Inductees of the Order will receive a medallion carried on a blue ribbon of an icon of the brother saints who brought the Faith to Central Europe in 863. The catechists of the Middle States Syncellate will be honored at an Akathist celebrated on Saturday, June 20 at Epiphany of our Lord Church. If you are a current catechist of Epiphany parish please inform the rectory office or Catechetical Co-ordinator, Mary Ellen Kepick regarding your name as you wish it to appear and the number of years you have served as a catechist as soon as possible so that the eparchial office of Eastern Catholic Formation can have the certificates which accompany the medallions to be properly prepared.

**Marian Pilgrimage.** The Orientale Lumen Foundation (past organizers of the Seminary Concert Tours, and the Ecumenical Pilgrimage that met Pope Francis and Patriarch Bartholomew in 2014) is sponsoring a **Marian Pilgrimage to Eastern Europe for Byzantine Catholics** on August 7-18, 2015. Because of many inquiries and positive responses to our planned itinerary, we have opened up the pilgrimage to **ALL age groups**. The trip will include visits to the Marian Shrines of Litmanova and Lutina in Slovakia, and Mariapocs in Hungary; liturgies in the Cathedrals of Presov and Bratislava; tours of wooden churches and other cultural sites; and joint fellowship activities with European Byzantine Catholics. The land package is only \$1995 per person, double occupancy, and includes transportation, accommodations and some meals. Single rooms are available for an extra \$500. Airfare is extra. Registration and \$500 deposit is due by May 15, 2015. For more details, and to register online, visit [www.olconference.com](http://www.olconference.com) and click on the **PILGRIMAGE** button. Or call [703-691-8862](tel:703-691-8862)

**A Woman's Choice Crisis Pregnancy Center.** A Woman's Choice Crisis Pregnancy Center in Falls Church is in need of volunteers, English speaking and bilingual. The only requirement is that one is morally supportive of Humana Vitae and can give three to four hours of time each week. They have positions available for counselors, clothing sorters and people to drive clients to pre-natal appointments. A training and information session will be held on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. The rewards are priceless. For more information or to request a volunteer application, please contact Dolores Wisecarver at 703-538-4305 or through email at [awclife@vacoxmail.com](mailto:awclife@vacoxmail.com).

**Pilgrimage Video:** Several parishioners from Epiphany went on pilgrimage to Rome and Constantinople (Istanbul) last October and experienced private audiences with both Pope Francis and Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. Today, **Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Lector Jack Figel will show a short 15-minute **video of highlights** of the two audiences in the **Chapel Basement between Divine Liturgies**, at approximately 9:20 am. All parishioners are invited to attend, and then have a Q&A discussion with Jack and others who were there (Marlene McCracken, Debra and Rand Bass, Sophia Melos, Helena Tanner, and Dominic Cassella). Coffee and donuts will be made available in the Chapel Basement without going to the Parish Center. Come and hear first-hand about what it is like to visit the Apostolic Palace in the Vatican, meet the Pope in person, and get his blessing!

### Days of Penance

Fridays resume as days of penance. One may abstain from meat or instead offer prayer or charitable works.

<h3 style="margin: 0;">Paschal Season Traditions</h3> <p style="margin: 10px 0;">We express our joy in the Resurrection of the Lord and His presence among us by the following:</p> <p><b>Standing.</b> As a sign of the joy that is ours in the resurrection, we do not kneel from Easter 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 <i>Christ is Risen</i> is sung. We sit at the Epistle, the Homily, and now, <i>May our Mouth be Filled</i>. You may sit at the litanies, the first and second antiphons, and the Troparia. You may sit at other times at other times, except when <i>Christ is Risen</i> is sung, if you feel the need to rest.</p>
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