



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

3410 Woodburn Road, Annandale, VA 22003

Phone: 703-573-3986 --- Fax: 703-573-0344

Very Rev. John G. Basarab - Pastor

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	May 8, 2016	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
--	-------------	--

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich

May 08 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Mothers Living & Deceased
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners Moleben Blessed Mirian Teresa Demjanovich <i>Seventh Paschal Week</i>
May 10 Tues.	10:00 AM	Health & God's Blessings on Elizabeth Yevchak by Helen & Peter Wegman
May 13 Fri.	10:00 AM	+Mr. & +Mrs. Stephen Butchko by John Butchko

FIFTH ALL SOULS SATURDAY

May 14 Sat.	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy of Remembrance of the Departed
-------------	----------	---

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 15 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	10:30 AM	+Daniel Green by Sally Green

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – May 15, 2016

May 15 Sun.	8:00 AM	BCY
	10:30 AM	Demetrius Clark (L), T. Clark, J. Naccash, G. Noyes

USHER SCHEDULE – May 15, 2016

May 15 Sun.	8:00 AM	BCY
	10:30 AM	R. Parrell (L) K.Hogan, T. Soyka

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 catechumanate. 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

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

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 (cont.)

Graduates. If you are a 2016 graduate of 8th grade, high school, college or graduate school, or a parent of a 2016 graduate, please submit the graduate's name and school from which he/she is graduating to the Parish Office by phone 703-573-3986 or email epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net.

EMC BINGO

05/10/16 Team B
05/17/16 Team C
05/24/16 Team D
05/31/16 Team A
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

EPARCHIAL & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tootsie Roll Drive. Because of your generosity April 24th, the Knights of Columbus collected \$500 this year.

Catholic Singles of Greater Washington.

"Singles Sunday" June 5 at National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Tour at 1:30 PM, Mass at 2:30 PM in the Immaculate Heart of Mary chapel, and dinner at 4pm at nearby Catholic University. Advance reservations required by May 24. \$17 cost for dinner. For single Catholics 21 and older. Visit <http://CatholicSinglesOfGreaterWashington.org> or call Tricia at 301-460-9195.

Presbyteral Days. The priests of the Eparchy of Passaic received briefings from the commissions, committees, legal counsel, insurance, and two addresses from Bishop Kurt Burnette. Some of these areas were mentioned in the bulletin last week. In addition, Bishop Kurt spoke about the Year of the Epistle:

1. The Bishop also spoke about the Year of the Epistle, mentioning some of the reports the pastors have submitted to him. Bishop Kurt said that when the Year of the Epistle concludes on Pentecost, it is his desire that priests, having become comfortable preaching on the epistles, now preach on both the gospel and the epistle each Sunday. The Bishop reminded the priests that they will have to answer before the judgment seat of Christ whether they zealously preached the Good News not just in a brief or perfunctory manner.
2. Bishop Kurt reminded the priests that the only purpose of life is to die a saint. If you priests or your people are doing anything that impedes that purpose, get rid of it, he told the priests. On her feast day today, May 8th, it is good to recall the teaching of the first American Byzantine Ruthenian saint, Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich of Bayonne, NJ, who wrote, "The saints did but one thing—the will of God. But they did it with all their might. We have only to do the same thing; and according to the degree of intensity with which we labor shall our sanctification progress".

Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

May 8, 2016

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special indulgences possible
- Fasting Regulations – Fridays resume as Days of Penance
- Paschal Rituals
- Parish Directory – appointment scheduling for pictures and AD information
- BCY continues to collect clothing and household goods through today May 8th
- Mother's Day Breakfast – today May 8th 9:00 – 10:00 AM in the Parish Center
- EMC Meeting – May 12th
Guest Speaker, Lector Jack Figel
- ELG Spring Dance – May 14th at Epiphany, admission and reservation information
- EMC Family Campout – June 10th
- EMC Baseball Game – June 12th

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–May 1, 2016

Adults	\$3,106.00
Children	\$11.90
Building Fund	\$689.00
School of Religion	\$36.00
Candles	\$230.00
Holy Days	\$90.00
BCY	\$5.00
St. Nicholas	\$61.00
TOTAL	\$4,240.90

"In generous spirit pay homage to the Lord, be not sparing in freewill gifts." (Sirach 35:7)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, Patricia Fedorko, Marge Rusnak, David Sayen, Marsha Puhak, Helen Capar, Mary McDonnell, and Mary Gaydos. 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, Joanne Gaudino, Patricia Delfine, Rev. Joseph Jugan, Tom Nagurney, and Wayne Bowman, friend of Deacon Peter & Carren Turko.

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 Gregory and Marsha Puhak & family, Christopher and Andrea Pullella & family, Carmela Rapavi, David and Virginia Rapavi & family, Dennis and Marta Reuter & family, David & Patricia Rhodes & family, Shelley Roberts & family, and from the Mission: Vincent and Joni Kovalick.

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. The reflection regarding mercy can be seen in the gospel and apostolic reading appointed for the 7th Paschal Sunday which commemorates the First Ecumenical Council held in Nicea in AD 325. The gospel appointed is the “High Priestly Prayer” of Jesus at the Last Supper (John 17:1ff). Speaking to God the Father, God the Son prays that He kept careful watch over those disciples the Father gave Him and that even to this moment He prays for them but not for the world. The Acts of the Apostles reading is the passage where Saint Paul, wishing to be in Jerusalem by Pentecost avoids Ephesus. Instead, he calls for the presbyters (priests) of Ephesus to come to him in Miletus. When they arrive, he tells them to guard the flock which the Holy Spirit entrusted to them. He warns them that after his departure fierce wolves will try to attack the flock of Christ’s sheep. At the conclusion of his sermon, he kneels down and prays with them. Here is the meditation from the United States bishops on the Spiritual Work of Mercy, Praying for the Living and the Dead. “The prayers we offer have a great impact on our lives and the lives of those around us. In some situations, the most we can do for someone is to pray for them, especially if they live far away from us. However, prayer is by no means the least of what we do. It is powerful and effective! One way we can pray for those in need is by praying with the Blessed Virgin Mary and asking her to pray

for us (MV, no. 24). There are many prayers that are part of the Church’s tradition that help us pray with Mary. In living out God’s mercy this month, every time you pray one of these prayers, pray it with a particular intention of compassionate love and mercy for a particular person or situation in your life or for a troubled area in your community.”

Fasting Regulations. Every Sunday is an Antipasch, a Return to the Pascha, a weekly Easter. Every Friday is a weekly Great Friday. During the Great Fast, Fridays are days of fast, that is, we fast from meat. Now that Great Fast is complete, Fridays resume as Days of Penance, that is, we abstain from meat or we do an equivalent penitential act or an act of charity.

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

Mother’s Day Breakfast. The Epiphany Men’s Club will host the annual Mother’s Day Breakfast today Sunday, May 8th, in the Parish Center from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. All parishioners are welcome. All woman are complimentary.

Epiphany Men’s Club. The next meeting of Epiphany Men’s Club will be Thursday and will feature a video presentation by Lector Jack Figel. He recently traveled to Transcarpathia, Ukraine, Rome, and Istanbul and video recordings for four liturgical services. He also recorded 40 hymns by the seminary choir in preparation for the concert tour in September, and interviews with a patriarch, 4 cardinals, and a bishop for greeting the 20th anniversary of Orientale Lumen Conference in June. This video will

be short excerpts from all of those encounters and be less than 30 minutes in total. Q & A will follow the presentation.

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!

Parish Directory - Don't miss your chance to be included! Be a part of the next Epiphany Directory! We only have two photo days remaining. 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 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM in the Chapel: 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.

Campout Reminder. On Friday, June 10th, the Epiphany Men’s Club will sponsor the annual Family Picnic. All are welcome to attend. The burning of palms and pussy

willows will start the festivities around 5:30 PM. The BCY will be providing activities for the children. Breakfast usually starts at 7:00 AM Saturday morning. Points of contact for the campout are Jeff Nashwinter 703-359-0280 and Thom Soyka 703-780-4581.

Baseball Game Reminder. On June 12th, Epiphany Men’s Club will sponsor a baseball trip to Washington, DC to see the Washington Nationals play against the Philadelphia Philly’s. The game starts at 4:05 PM. The bus will leave from Epiphany parking lot at 2:30 PM. The ticket cost is \$36/ticket. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Ed Gubanich at 703-978-3824 or by email ED1345@aol.com; Jack Kepick at 703-455-6510. Make checks payable to Epiphany Men’s Club. If you have not confirmed your reservation, please do so immediately.

BCY Clothes and Household Goods Donation Drive - Extended Until May 8th! As a fundraiser for the ByzanTEEN Youth rally, the **BCY is collecting used clothes and household goods.** These items will be donated to the Unique Thrift Store in Merrifield, VA and the BCY will receive a donation from Unique based on the amount collected. All seasons of clothes are most welcomed for this drive. **Items can be placed in the chapel basement between liturgies through May 8th.**

ELG Spring Dance. The Epiphany Ladies Guild will sponsor their annual Spring Dance Saturday, May 14th, from 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM. The Fairfax Swing Band will be featured. The cost is \$20/ \$10 for students. Please contact Daria Parrell to purchase tickets or reserve tables at 703-255-2221 or Dtparrell@gmail.com. Daria will also be selling tickets between Divine Liturgies on Sunday in the Parish Center.