

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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**Christ is Risen!
Indeed He is Risen!**

May 7, 2017

**Christos Voskrese!
Voistinnu Voskrese!**

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN

May 7 Sun. 8:00 AM +Stefan Matlaga by Theresa Matlaga & Family
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

THIRD PASCHAL WEEK

MID - PENTECOST

May 10 Wed. 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Children, Grandchildren & Godchildren by Marlene McCracken

Ss. Cyril & Methodius - Apostles to the Slavs

May 11 Thurs. 10:00 AM +Joseph Kodman by Wegman Family

May 13 Sat. 10:00 AM +Helen Capar by Peter Opar

SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

May 14 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Mothers Living & Deceased
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – May 14, 2017

May 14 Sun. 8:00 AM T. Hughes (L), J. Cooke, Joseph Hughes, J. Jaimes Sun.
10:30 AM D. Naccash (L), T. Clark, D. Naccash, J. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – May 14, 2017

May 14 8:00 AM J. Nashwinter (L), J. Fedorko, J. Susco
10:30 AM R. Parrell (L), E. Koval, D. Semanco

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
Diane Dougherty, Financial Assistant

Parish Council of Administration

Emil Koval, Greg Puhak, Sally Green

Parish Office Hours: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday- Friday

9:30 AM - 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 announcement 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.

Adelphotheos (relative of God), Saint Simon the Zealot, two angels serving as deacons holding the liturgical fan, the ripidion. . If sixteen donors select the subject they wish to offer, e.g., Our Lord, or an apostle, or an angel-deacon each would donate \$1,550 for each figure donated.

Feast Day Icons. Feast day icons have been purchased for the new church. If you would like to donate toward the cost of one of these icons in memory or in celebration of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office. The suggested offering for each icon is \$50, which will include a metal plate on the back of the icon that cites the name of the person to whom the icon is being given, i.e., in memory of/ God's Blessings on... The remaining icons available are listed on the enclosed bulletin insert.

Building Update. It has been over ten years since the rectory exterior has been painted. In recent years, the exterior wood has sustained damage from woodpeckers. In addition, the paint has begin peeling in some wood trim. The parish contracted with Frank Polink, Jr., a parishioner of Epiphany parish, to have his paint contractor company repair the damage and paint the rectory. The parish will begin again the maintenance rotation painting schedule that was utilized in the past to upkeep the parish facilities.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tootsie Roll Drive. Money will be collected by the Knights of Columbus next Sunday, May 14th, after both Divine Liturgies to help the cognitively impaired. Your generosity is most appreciated.

Camp St. Charles. Boys and girls over-night Summer camp Open House Mat 7 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Attend the open house to learn

about Camp St. Charles. For over 60 years, thousands of children have been making

friends, learning to work together and developing an appreciation for Creation while camping out, riding horses, working their way through a challenge course, trying archery, paddling on the river, making art projects and lots of other activities in beautiful Southern Maryland. Fully accredited with the American Camp Association and certified by the State of Maryland, Camp St. Charles has been run by the Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers, Lay Salvatorians for over 60 years. New families may save on tuition by registering at the open house. For more information, directions and to sign up for the open house, see our website: www.campstcharles.org or call at 301-934-8799 or email, direction@campstcharles.org.

Byzantine Catholic Seminary. The Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Ss. Cyril & Methodius will offer online Summer 2017 Certificate courses beginning Monday, June 12th through August 4th. *The Seven Ages of the Kingdom: Salvation History & the Bible,* presented by Fr. Deacon Daniel Dozier, Word of Life Institute. For more information and registration click Byzantine online.

WorldWide Marriage Encounter. *"Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do,..."* Let the Lord into your marriage to do his works by participating in a WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekends are: September 15-17, 2017 in Herndon, VA and October 27-29, 2017 in Gaithersburg, MD. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org. or contact applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or call 703-646-1521.

Paralytic Man

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Mother's Day Breakfast
- Baseball Game
- Tootsie Roll Drive - next Sunday
- Feast Day Icons
- Lamp & Light Bible Study
- Phase III Icons

EMC BINGO

05/09/17 Team B
 05/16/17 Team C
 05/23/17 Team D
 05/30/17 Team A
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

May 7, 2017

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations—April 30, 2017

Adults	\$2,999.30
Children	\$3.50
Building Fund	\$1,245.00
School of Religion	\$31.00
Candles	\$69.70
Holy Days	\$115.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$330.00
<u>St. Nicholas Fund</u>	<u>\$237.31</u>
TOTAL	\$5,030.81

"Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver. God can multiply His favors among you so that you may always have enough of everything and even surplus for good works." (Phil. 4:19)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, Peter Wegman, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira, Robert Esser, and Irene Markovich. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O'Leary, Russell Plasha, Tim O'Leary, Joanne Gaudino, Patricia Delfine, Rev. Joseph Jugan, Steven Goula, Fr. Phillip Scott, Mary Jewette, Luke Kolar, Fr. Conan Timoney, Eileen Gray, Karen Baine, James Seman, Jean Figel, Jim Sinclair and Susan Seman.

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 : David Sikora, Mary Sikora, Michael and Amy Sikora & Family, Michael and Ahn Sirotniak, Richard and Maryanne Smith & Family, Stephen and Lynn Smith & Family, and from the Mission, Sheri and Edward Fogle & Family.

Church Slavonic Liturgy. This Thursday is the feast of Ss. Cyril and Methodius, apostles to the Slavs. Our parish has the practice to offer a Divine Liturgy in Church Slavonic on this feast.

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.***

Lamp and Light. Bible Study with Deacon Peter Turko will meet this Wednesday night, May 10th at 7:00 PM in the Chapel basement.

Pentecostarion for Pascha. The Pentecostarion, which means "Fifty Days" referring to the fifty days from Pascha to Pentecost, begins Great Saturday evening and continues until the Sunday of All Saints which

is the Sunday after Pentecost Sunday. Another name for this collection of hymns and services is "Flowering Triodion". The third Sunday after Pascha is called the ***Sunday of the Paralyzed Man or the Paralytic Man.*** The gospel appointed for this Sunday from Saint John's account of the miraculous healing of a paralyzed man by our Lord Jesus, at the Sheep Pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem. The paralyzed man, like a living dead man, is "resurrected" by the Lord Jesus and this is understood as the effect of baptism on our souls paralyzed by Original Sin. Further, the detail that the therapeutic water of the pool did not work this cure but rather the action of Jesus, provides the opportunity to teach the neophytes newly baptized at the Easter Vigil that the water of baptism was only the outward sign of the invisible grace of God that performs the miracle of baptism. The Acts of the Apostles read is of Saint Peter miraculously restoring feeling to the paralyzed man, Aeneas, and then raising the widow Tabatha to life. This gives the mystagogy for the neophytes the opportunity to show that what Jesus did to the paralyzed man has been given to the Church, so the power to forgive sins in baptism Jesus won through the crucifixion has been given to the apostles and through them to the bishops and priests. The gospels appointed for the Sundays of Pascha alternate between men and women: Thomas Sunday, Myrrh Bearing Women Sunday, Sunday of the Paralytic Man, Sunday of the Samaritan Woman, and Sunday of the Man born Blind, show that men and women disciples are both beneficiaries of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wednesday of this week is ***Mid-Pentecost***, twenty-five days after Pascha and an equal number of days before the Pentecost—the Fiftieth Day. This feast unites the moment our Lord breathes out the Spirit on the cross at the moment of His death, the resurrection of our Lord when the Lord Jesus comes to the Upper Room and breathes out the Holy Spirit on the apostles and gives them the power to forgive sins through the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross, and the Pentecost day, the fiftieth day from Pascha when God the Father

sent the Holy Spirit on the apostles and disciples in the Upper Room and through this Divine Breath, brought the Church—the Body of Christ—to life.

Paschal Rituals. We express our joy in the resurrection by several rituals during the forty days of Pascha: (1) 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. (2) After Bright Week, commemorations are made for intentions, but with the proper response of "Many years..." or "Eternal Memory."

Condolences. We offer condolences to Kevin Koshute and his family upon the death of his mother, +Josephine Koshute, on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 The funeral was at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, Windber.

Interment was at the church cemetery. May God grant His departed servant, +Josephine, peaceful repose. Vicnaja jej pamjat'.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voicemail. We are experiencing difficulty with our Verizon voicemail. We are unable to retrieve our voicemail messages from any of the voicemail options. In case of an emergency, please contact the deacons. They will do whatever is necessary to notify Fr. John or the Parish Office. When calling the Parish office, if your call is not answered but goes to voicemail, please email the office at epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net.

Mother's Day Breakfast. The Epiphany Men's Club will host the annual Mother's Day Breakfast, May 14th, in the Parish Center

from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM. All parishioners are welcome. All women are complimentary.

Graduates. If you are a 2017 graduate of 8th grade, high school, college or graduate school or the parent of a 2017 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.

Baseball Game. On Sunday, June 11th, Epiphany Men's Club will sponsor a baseball trip to Washington, DC to see the Nationals play against the Texas Rangers. The bus will leave Epiphany parking lot at 2:15 PM. The game begins at 4:05 PM. All tickets have been reserved but a waiting list is being developed. The cost is \$36/ticket, which includes transportation, beverages, and snacks. To pay for your tickets or to be added to the waiting list, contact Ed Gubanich at 703-978-3824 or email ED13456@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.

Phase III Icon Update. Of the four icons of the third phase of the Icon Program to complete the new church, two have found donors: the Dormition of the Theotokos and the Resurrection of Christ. The Crucifixion (\$11,760) and the Communion of the Apostles (\$24,800) are still available for donation. Multiple donors can unite to donate the Communion of the Apostles using the following schedule. There are sixteen figures on this large icon which covers the back wall of the Holy Place under the Platytera of the Mother of God. The figures are: the Lord Jesus holding the discos, the Lord Jesus holding the chalice (the Lord appears twice in this icon), the apostles: Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Saint Andrew the First-called, Saint James son of Zebedee, Saint John the Evangelist son of Zebedee, Saint Philip, Saint Thomas, Saint Matthew the Evangelist, Saint Jude Thaddeus, Saint Bartholomew (also called Saint Nathanael), Saint James