



**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
Byzantine Catholic Church**
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	June 21, 2015	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 21 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	10:30 AM	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Ordination to Diaconate

FIFTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

June 22 Mon.		Aliturgical Day
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BIRTHDAY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 24 Wed.	10:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	7:30 PM	+John Fontana by Marlene McCracken
June 26 Fri.	10:00 AM	+Deacon Gerald McDonnell by Mary McDonnell
June 27 Sat	10:00 AM	+Helen Rodgers by Peter and Carren Turko

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 28 Sun.	8:00 AM	+Joseph Koshuta by Monica Koshuta & Family
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – June 28, 2015

June 28 Sun.	8:00 AM	C. Susco (L), James Hughes, J. Jaimes, J. O’Leary
	10:30 AM	T. Clark (L), Demetrius Clark, Dominic Clark, M. Noyes

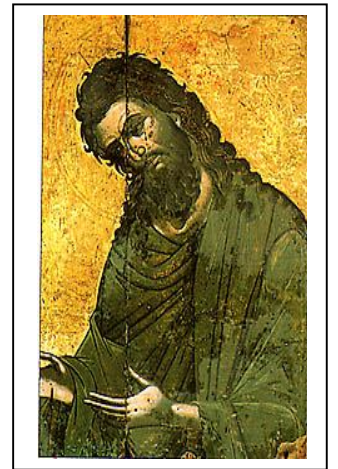
USHER SCHEDULE – June 28, 2015

June 28 Sun.	8:00 AM	J. Fedorko (L), K. Koshute, J. Kotula
	10:30 AM	R. Bass (L), K. Hogan, T. Soyka

PARISH TITHING AND GIVING

Parish Donations – June 14, 2015

Adults	\$3,095.00
Children	\$16.00
Building Fund	\$646.00
School of Religion	\$68.00
Candles	\$137.90
Flowers	\$60.00
Holy Days	\$10.00
BCY	\$5.00
Peter’s Pence	\$70.00
<u>St. Nicholas</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,172.90



***Birth of John the Baptist
June 24th***

*“In generous spirit pay homage to the Lord...and
He will give back to you sevenfold.” (Sirach 35:7-10)*

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Barbara Mohay, Karen Adelman. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham and Colleen Daniel.

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 all 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 and Patricia Rhodes & family, Shelley Roberts & family, Gregory Rock, Scott and Laura Rock & family, John and Sheryl Rodock & family, Stephen and Shannon Rodock, and from the Mission, John and Colleen Dolinish & family.



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.

Epiphany of our Lord Church Parish Administration

“The Church is not an organization with sacraments but a sacrament with organization.”

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 or faxed to the pastor (703) 573-0344.

Registration – Individuals who wish to register in the Parish should stop by the Parish Office and complete a census form.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2015

Episcopal Visit. Our parish welcomes our bishop, Bishop Kurt Burnette, who is with us this weekend. Yesterday he invested the catechists of the Middle States Syncellate in the Order of Ss. Cyril and Methodius. Today, he will ordain Subdeacon Peter Turko to the Holy Diaconate at the 10:30 Divine Liturgy. May God grant Bishop Kurt many happy years. Mnohaja l'ita. Eis polla eti, Dhespota.

The Apostles Fast. The Apostles' Fast begins the Monday after the Sunday of All Saints and concludes June 28th the eve of the feast of Ss. Peter and Paul on June 29th. The Lord Jesus fasted forty days before He began His public ministry. The apostles imitated Jesus by fasting and praying before beginning any evangelization work (Acts 13:2-3 and Acts 14:23). The Apostles' Fast prepares the members of the Church of Jesus Christ to evangelize by imitating the apostles who imitated Jesus and were filled with the Holy Spirit (John 16:12 and Mark 13:10-11). Fasting from food and from sin, we ask the Holy Spirit, who descended on the Church at Pentecost, to strengthen in us the Gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, piety, fortitude, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:1-3).

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. Wednesday, June 24th is the Feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist in the Latin Church and Byzantine Church calendars. After the summer solstice, daylight decreases, and we are to remember the words of St. John the Baptist about Jesus, “He must increase, I must decrease” (John 3:30) and apply the words to our lives. When a person becomes more Christ-like, he or she does not lose one's own self, but becomes who he or she really is. By presenting the events of God intervening in human history according to the times of conception, pregnancy and birth, the gospel according to Luke, the beloved physician, demonstrates that these events occurred in real time and are not myths or stories.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help needed on Saturday, July 18, 2015 for the baking of nut, apricot, poppy seed, and lekvar rolls for the upcoming Slavic American Festival. Assistance with dough preparation will be needed as early as 6:35 AM. Rolling will begin at approximately 7:20 AM. Volunteers to bag the rolls and cleanup will be needed at 1:00 PM. Please come and participate in this important parish event. Your help is greatly appreciated. For more information, call Theresa Matlaga (703) 802-1496 or Dolores Opachko at (703) 938-2373.

Year of the Epistle. Bishop Kurt Burnette has declared a “Year of the Epistle” from Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2015, to Pentecost Sunday 2016. 1. How is the apostolic reading proclaimed by the lector? 2. How attentive is the congregation to the apostolic reading? 3. Are there any distractions during the proclamation of the epistle? 4. The priest or deacon is to preach on the apostolic reading during the Year of the Epistle.

Post-construction Update. The following items were completed this past week.

1. Fairfax County's engineer report on our Storm Water Management was responded to by Epiphany. Fairfax County has now responded to our response, requesting we submit further photographic evidence and documentation as well as ordering certain actions be done by our parish. When the parish center and the rectory were built the parish planning committee negotiated with Fairfax County, asking that we not have to install a water retention pond. The pastor and councilors at the time agreed with a compromise settlement which allowed the parish to substitute the culvert by the daycare playground for SWM, but in return the county engineers would annually inspect the inflow and the outflow of the culvert, the speed and volume of the water, and the condition of the culvert for erosion, and the parish would have to implement and pay for any requirements in the engineer's reports.
2. W&E Baum has given the Parish Office a combined estimate of \$9,000 for the consecration commemorative and the memorial plaques. Sharon Baum will be in contact with the Parish Office next week to explain how the information for the memorial plaque needs to be formatted for the next step in the graphic design process.

Silent Auction Items Needed. The 2nd Annual Epiphany Silent Auction will be held during the Slavic American Festival on September 13. Donations will be accepted from June 1 until September 1, 2015. The more items we have in the silent auction the more successful the auction will be. Thinking what you can donate? Silent auction donations have a value of \$25 or more. Donations can be professional services, memorabilia, gift cards, dinners, overnight stays, special item(s), event or sporting tickets, theme baskets, handcrafted items, etc. Have a donation? Contact Terry Matlaga Bell @ tmatlaga@yahoo.com or (703) 802-1496 to arrange pickup.

2015-2016 BCY Officers. Congratulations to the new officers for the 2015-2016! They are as follows:

President: Kelsey Lee
Vice President: James Soyka
Secretary: Elizabeth Shepherd
Treasurer: Megan Anderson
Historian: Sophia Jaimes

Bingo Help Needed. The Bingo program at Epiphany of Our Lord is in need of several volunteers. One specific area is the need for Bingo cashiers. Tom Forsythe has been a cashier for several years, however, he will be moving out of the area in the near future. At least one volunteer is needed to take his place. And more would be fantastic! If interested, please contact Ed Gubanich at 703-978-3824 or ED13456@aol.com.

Vibrant Parish. Please take the time to read, reflect, and then pray on the fourth set of questions in the bulletin today. The dimension this Sunday is UNITY.

1. What is the Vibrant Parish Program?

The Vibrant Parish Program of the Ukrainian Catholic Church is based on the pastoral letter of His Beatitude, Sviatoslav, the Father and Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church world-wide, "The Vibrant Parish—A Place to Encounter the Living Christ". Copies of this pastoral letter can be accessed at the website of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia www.ukarcheparchy.us.

2. What is a vibrant parish according to the program?

His Beatitude Sviatoslav, using words echoed by Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis, states that the vibrant parish is a parish where a person can meet Jesus Christ.

3. How does the program determine the presence of Jesus in a parish?

The six dimensions—Word, Worship, Service, Unity, Missionary Spirit, and Stewardship—proposed by the program are from the six dimensions given in the Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude and are developed in the Plan. Today our parishioners receive the Vibrant Parish—Questions for Reflection for Parishes, on Service. The questions are a guide to self-examination. Bishop Kurt Burnette wishes the Byzantine Ruthenian parishes of the Eparchy of Passaic to share in this program from the Ukrainian Catholic Church to assess the life of the parishes. The number of parishioners who are willing to take the time to respond to the program is in itself a measure of the vibrancy of a parish. Please save your responses and submit them when all six dimensions have been presented.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carpathian Village Summer Camps. Registration forms for the Pre-teen Girls Camp to be held at Carpathian Village from Sunday, June 28th through Wednesday, July 1st, are available in the Parish Office or on the eparchial website www.eparchyofpassaic.com.

Fortnight for Freedom. The Fortnight for Freedom begins today with a Mass at the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore, Maryland, the first Catholic cathedral of the United States, celebrated by Archbishop William Lori, the chair of the Committee for Religious Liberty. It concludes on Independence Day, July 4th with a Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine, Washington, DC. The theme for the fortnight this year is "Freedom to Bear Witness." Archbishop Lori said, "Keeping the spirit of the Gospel means that Catholic institutions are to bear witness in love to the full truth about the human person by providing social, charitable, and educational services in a manner that fully reflects the God-given dignity of the human person." It is of critical importance to pray and bear witness to the first freedom given in the Bill of Rights, the freedom of religion. In the past several years issues have been presented that challenge our freedom of religion. For prayers, thoughtful articles and talking points see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at www.usccb.org.