



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

July 5, 2015

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 05 Sun. 8:00 AM +Mary Naughton by Theresa Matlaga & Family
 10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

SEVENTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

July 07 Tues. 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Thomas Carle
 by Theodore Conrath

July 10 Fri. 10:00 AM +Edward Kraly by Helen & Ronald Santoro & Family

Olga-Princess of Kiev

July 11 Sat 10:00 AM +Mary Ann Heat by Deacon Elmer & Sally Pekarik

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 12 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
 10:30 AM +George Mocharko by Linda Mocharko

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – July 12, 2015

July 12 Sun. 8:00 AM Joseph Hughes (L), James Hughes, Patrick O'Leary, C. Susco
 10:30 AM J. Hogan (L), Demetrius Clark, G. Noyes, M. Noyes

USHER SCHEDULE – July 12, 2015

July 12 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Susco (L), H. Katawczik, B. Wargo
 10:30 AM J. Mattingly (L), M. Bell, D. Semanco

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 5, 2015

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

EMC Meeting. The next meeting of Epiphany Mens' Club will be this Thursday, July 9th. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM followed by the meeting at 7:30 PM. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend.

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. Bingo at Epiphany is smoke free as of 2014.

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.

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.

EMC BINGO
 07/07/15 Team B
 07/14/15 Team C
 07/21/15 Team D
 07/28/15 Team A
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Post-construction Update. The following items were addressed.

1. Our parish has received notification by letter from Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services and Land Development Service Bond and Agreement Center that our parish has completed all requirements of Fairfax County and Virginia Department of Transportation. Included in this correspondence are the two checks which represent the bond release totaling \$275,049.57. The checks are made out to the Eparchy of Passaic, the Owner of Record. The checks will be forwarded to the Eparchy of Passaic with the request that the Eparchial Finance Office deposit the checks and draft an eparchial check to Epiphany Church for the amount listed above, less \$75,000, which represents an additional principle payment against our loan to the Eparchy. Our parish Building Fund had posted the bond with funds from the \$1.8 million loan we obtained from the Eparchy of Passaic. This means that the \$275,049.57 is not money from our own funds but part of the money the parish received from the Eparchy of Passaic.
2. Kerns Group Architects' Matt Alexander has been in contact with Mike Overton of Miller Brothers regarding Miller Brothers scheduling the final cooling mode balancing report. Mike Overton of Miller Brothers explained that the delay has been that Miller Brothers is waiting for new valves from the supplier. The valve work and the chiller balancing will be tomorrow. ICE- the installer of the system will be here tomorrow. Annandale Balancing, Tom Carcaterra, the consulting engineer we had hired, and Bill Fournier will be here as well.

Parish Vocations. During his Welcoming Address to Bishop Kurt Burnette Sunday, June 21, Emil Koval reminded the bishop that Epiphany parish has two vocations to the Holy Priesthood and five vocations to the Holy Diaconate. The two vocations to the Priesthood are Father Philip Scott, PhD, pastor of Epiphany of our Lord Church, Roswell, Georgia, and the late Father Richard Kanar. The five vocations to the Diaconate at the time Emil Koval spoke were: Deacon Gerald McDonnell, Deacon Vincent Obsitnik, Deacon Richard Kanar, Deacon Elmer Pekarik, and Deacon Lewis Rabayda. Father Kanar was ordained for the permanent diaconate program but was later ordained a priest so he was counted in each. The six deacons ordained at Epiphany were: Deacon Gerald McDonnell, Deacon Vincent Obsitnik, Deacon Richard Kanar, Deacon Scott Boghossian, Deacon David Thomas of Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Cary, North Carolina, and Deacon Peter Turko. God is generous to His Church since He invites so many men to the Priesthood and Diaconate. God is calling. We have to listen and answer His call. Please continue to pray for vocations, especially to the Holy Priesthood, for the need is great as Bishop Burnette explained. If you think God may be calling you, pray to God to discern His will, and please see Father John.

Marriage in the Law. The United States Supreme Court has ruled that the 14th Amendment of the Constitution allows the government to issue licenses for two people of the same sex to be married. In response, Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, replied: "Regardless of what a narrow majority of the Supreme Court may declare at this moment in history, the nature of the human person and marriage remains unchanged and unchangeable...It is profoundly immoral and unjust for the government to declare that two people of the same sex can constitute a marriage. The unique meaning of marriage as the union of one man and one woman is inscribed in our bodies as male and female... Jesus Christ, with great love, taught unambiguously that from the beginning marriage is the lifelong union of one man and one woman. As Catholic bishops, we follow our Lord and will continue to teach and to act according to this truth...I encourage Catholics to move forward with faith, hope, and love: faith in the unchanging truth about marriage, rooted in the immutable nature of the human person and confirmed by divine revelation; hope that these truths will once again prevail in our society, not only by their logic, but by their great beauty and manifest service to the common good; and love for all our neighbors, even those who hate us or would punish us for our faith and moral convictions. Lastly, I call upon all people of good will to join us in proclaiming the goodness, truth, and beauty of marriage as rightly understood for millennia, and I ask all in positions of power and authority to respect the God-given freedom to seek, live by, and bear witness to the truth." For the full statement, please go to www.usccb.org and click on "Supreme Court Decision on Marriage..." in the "News" box.

Licensing Human Relationships. Catholics, Orthodox and some Protestant ecclesial communions as well as non-Christian religions have concerns about the redefinition of marriage as implied by the Supreme Court decision regarding who may apply to be married and how that will impact freedom of religion. Those associations of believers who hold the biblical understanding of marriage have concern that they will be treated to be in violation of a law against discrimination. Some religious leaders have also cautioned that a change in the definition of marriage can lead others to petition for recognition of marriage, as is present in the polygamy case in Montana.

Understanding Marriage. An overview what marriage is, and how our nation as a society changed its understanding of marriage is offered by Steven Greydanus. He is married to Suzanne Greydanus and they have seven children. He holds a MA in Religious Education from Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. His article appeared in the National Catholic Register in response to New York State's change of law. Search for Steven Greydanus, "Redefining Marriage, Who's to Blame?" A summary of his points appears with this bulletin.

Cyril & Methodius



Congratulations to our Epiphany catechists who were inducted into the Order of SS. Cyril and Methodius by Bishop Kurt Burnette on Saturday, June 20th.

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