



# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	July 16, 2017	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

### *FATHERS OF THE SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS*

July 16 Sun. 8:00 AM +Anna and +Michael Koshuta by Monica Koshuta & Family  
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

### *SEVENTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST*

#### *Blessed Paul Gojdich*

July 17 Mon. 10:00 AM Epiphany Parish Family by Dr. Tom Krisztinecz

#### *Elijah Great Prophet*

July 20 Thurs. 10:00 AM God's Blessings on Lukas, Nicholas, Cassia and Jonas  
by Baba in Thanksgiving

#### *Saint Mary Magdalene*

July 22 Sat. 10:00 AM +Natasha Saab by Marlene McCracken

### *SEVENTH SUNDAY AFYER PENTECOST*

#### *Blessed Basil Hopko*

July 23 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners  
10:30 AM +Margaret Baranowski by Jack & Mary Ellen Kepick

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### *ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – July 23, 2017*

July 23 Sun. 8:00 AM Joseph Hughes (L), T. Hughes, J. Jaimes, J. Lampl  
10:30 AM (L), J. Naccash, G. Naccash,

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### *USHER SCHEDULE – July 23, 2017*

July 23 Sun. 8:00 AM K. Koshute (L), T. Ryan, B. Wargo  
10:30 AM E. Gubanich (L), J. Kepick, E. Koval

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## COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Blessing Vehicles
- Silent Auction
- Festival Baking

<u>EMC BINGO</u>	
07/18/17	Team D
07/25/17	Team A
08/01/17	Team B
08/08/17	Team C
<a href="http://EMCBINGO.com">http://EMCBINGO.com</a>	

## TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–July 9, 2017

Adults	\$3,474.00
Children	\$.76
Building Fund	\$690.00
School of Religion	\$10.00
Candles	\$106.50
Holy Days	\$30.00
Boiler Fund	\$10.00
Peter's Pence	\$115.00
Seminary	\$20.00
<u>St. Nicholas Fund</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,461.26</b>

*"...Remember, O Lord, those who bear offerings and perform good deeds in Your holy churches..."* (anaphora of the liturgy)

## LITURGY AND LIFE

**Prayer Intentions.** Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, 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, Mary Jewette, Luke Kolar, Fr. Conan Timoney, Eileen Gray, Karen Baine, James Seman, Jim Sinclair, Susan Seman, and Fr. Lee Gross.

**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: Victoria and Alex Augustine, Becky and Daniel Bacher & Family, George Bagay & Family, William Baranowski, John Barba, Debra and Rand Bass & Family, Frank and Lisa Behnke & Family, and from the Mission, Marion Kniska.

**Octoechos.** After All Saints Sunday, the Church resumes the Octoechos, the system of eight tones. While octoechos refers to the eight-tone system of Byzantine Greek music, it specifically refers to a collection of hymns for Vespers, Matins, Divine Liturgy and all the other church services arranged in an eight-week period. The collection of hymns is called in Church Slavonic the Osmohlasnik (the Book of Eight Tones) but in Greek it is called the Paraklitiki. Each tone from one through eight is taken in rotation through eight subsequent weeks. Each tone is used for the church Divine Office and Divine Liturgies every day during the week it is assigned. It is further organized by the commemoration assigned to the day of the week. For example, every Monday is dedicated to the

**Holy Angels**

because angels were the first created by God. Therefore, the subject of the hymns of the Octoechos for Mondays are the heavenly hosts of angels. Since Tuesday is dedicated to the memory of **Saint John the Baptist**, the hymns were composed to honor him. Wednesdays-the day Judas betrayed our Lord and Fridays-the day of our Lord's crucifixion are fast days and the hymns of the Octoechos extol the **Holy Cross** and thank the Lord crucified for our sins. Thursdays dual commemoration-the **Apostles** and our church's patron **Saint Nicholas** are the holy ones commemorated. Saturday is the day of **All Saints** and, because it is the day our Lord's body rested in the tomb, **All Souls**, are honored in the hymns for each of the eight tones utilized on Saturdays. All Sundays are days of Pascha and celebrate the Lord's resurrection. The Mother of God is praised in specially dedicated hymns every day of the week. However, she is specially commemorated

during the Wednesday commemoration of the Holy Cross as the Blessed Mother at the foot of the Cross.

**Council Fathers.** The bishops of the first six ecumenical councils are commemorated on the Sunday closest to July 16<sup>th</sup>. Originally, the Council of Chalcedon (451) and Council of Constantinople (536/553) were commemorated on this day so the other four were added to the feast. The Seventh Ecumenical Council (787) is observed separately in October. The fathers of the councils sought to correct erroneous ideas about Jesus Christ. It is important to know God, for the Lord Jesus, speaking to God the Father, says, "Eternal life is this, to know You, the only true God, and Him whom You have sent, Jesus Christ."

**Summer Saints.** This week is filled with commemorations of notable saints. Tomorrow, July 17<sup>th</sup>, is the feast of the Blessed Bishop-martyr Paul Gojdich (1872-1960) who died for the faith he was unwilling to deny. Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup> is the feast of Saint Macrina the Younger, sister of Saint Basil the Great, Saint Gregory of Nyssa and Saint Peter of Sebaste. The biography *Life of Macrina* as well as *Dialogue on the soul and resurrection* both by her brother, Saint Gregory of Nyssa, present Macrina as the model for Christian women to live and as an example how to die as a Christian. Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> is the feast of the prophet Saint Elias. Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> is the feast of Saint Mary Magdalene, Equal-to-the-Apostles.

**Blessing of Vehicles.** Each year on the feast of the prophet Saint Elias, July 20<sup>th</sup>, vehicles are blessed. In addition to the blessing on the day of the feast, our parish will bless cars, trucks, vans, motorcycles after each of the Divine Liturgies on the following Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Second Book of Kings in the Old Testament of the Bible records what happened when Saint Elias and his disciple Elisha, who would take the place of Elias as prophet, walked to Jericho, then across the Jordan River. There, on the east bank, "As they walked on still conversing, a fiery chariot and fiery horses came between the two of them, and Elijah [in Greek, Elias] went up to heaven in a whirlwind

and Elisha saw it happen.” (2 Kings 2:11-12). As a result, the Church blesses vehicles on his feast.

## EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Silent Auction Items Needed!** The 4th Annual Epiphany Silent Auction will be held during the Slavic American Festival on September 10, 2017. Donations will be accepted from June 11 until September 6, 2017. The more items we have in the silent auction the greater success the auction will be. Thinking of what you can donate? Silent auction donations should 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 at [tmatlaga@yahoo.com](mailto:tmatlaga@yahoo.com). Remember to visit [www.slavicamericanfestival.com](http://www.slavicamericanfestival.com) and like us on Facebook.

**Festival Nut Roll Baking.** Volunteers will be baking nut rolls and poppy seed rolls for the Slavic-American Festival at 8:00 AM on Saturday, August 5th. If you are interested in volunteering for this important endeavor, please call Kyra Gerardi at 571-733-7298 or Nancy Soyka at 571-529-0318 with any questions. There are many opportunities to help in the baking process.

**Building Update.** Members of the Parish Planning Committee are asked to review the proof of the Dedication Plaque of the Consecration of the Church submitted by W & E Baum prior to fabrication. Architect Thomas Kerns designed the plaque and selected the wood. Members of the Planning Committee changed one part of the design, that is, that the text would be computer generated and machine inscribed rather than handwritten and then inscribed by machine in order to have uniformity of the Dedication Plaque and the next part of the project, the Donors' Plaque, which, since the church iconographic scheme is to be completed in the future, would insure that future names added to the Donors' Plaque would match the current list of Donors.

**Eparchial Altar Server Congress.** The 2017 Altar Server Congress will be held this year August 5-9 at the eparchial pilgrimage site to Saint Nicholas and the family camp grounds in Canadensis, PA in the Poconos. Boys and teens from 7-17 are welcome to register. Apply at [www.eparchyofpassaic.com](http://www.eparchyofpassaic.com). The deadline for registration is July 31<sup>st</sup>.

# 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 catechuminate. 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 v411isitation.

**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](mailto:epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net).

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

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<http://www.eolbcc.org>

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