



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

July 30, 2017

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30 Sun. 8:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Helen "Penny" Vargo
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

NINTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

Vigil of Procession of the Cross

July. 31 Mon. 7:30 PM Paraklesis of the Mother of God

Procession of the Cross

Beginning of the Dormition Fast

Aug. 01 Tues. 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Archmandrite Robert Taft, S.J.
by Orientale Lumen Foundation

Aug. 04 Fri. 10:00 AM +Anna Stupak by Helen & Peter Wegman

Pre-festive Day of the Transfiguration

Aug. 05 Sat. 10:00 AM +Helen Uhrin by Monica Koshuta & Family

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Aug. 06 Sun. 8:00 AM +Kathleen Ryan by Joel and Michelle Susco & Family
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – August 6, 2017

Aug. 06 Sun. 8:00 AM P. O'Leary (L), J. Cooke, Joseph Hughes, J. O'Leary
10:30 AM G. Naccash (L), D. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – August 6, 2017

Aug. 06 Sun. 8:00 AM H. Katawczik, J. Kotula, T. Susco
10:30 AM D. Semanco (L), R. Bass, M. Kernich

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Silent Auction
- Festival Baking
- Festival Meeting
- Festival Volunteers Needed
- Festival Rummage Sale
- Parish Office Communications
- Share My Faith Day - August 12
- St. Nicholas Apostate Update

EMC BINGO

08/01/17 Team B
 08/08/17 Team C
 08/15/17 Team D
 08/22/17 Team A

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–July 23, 2017

Adults	\$3,689.00
Children	\$1.30
Building Fund	\$667.00
School of Religion	\$11.00
Candles	\$116.60
<u>Boiler Fund</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,514.90

"Your generosity produces thanksgiving to God." (II Corinthians 9:11)

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, Irene Markovich, and Ben Zurun. 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: Daniel Bower, Chris and Eileen Braunlich & family, Stephen and Alexandra Braunlich & family, Rose Brodnos, Mary Brooks, M. Gabriele Brown, German and Matrona Busch & family, and from the Mission, Steven Krempasky.

Octoechos. The prayers, hymns and canticles from the day after All Saints Sunday until the week after the Sunday of Zacchaeus are contained in the **Octoechos** which is called in Church Slavonic, Osmohlasnik, but in Greek, Paraklitiki. 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. Each tone from one through eight is taken in rotation through eight subsequent weeks. The octoechos can be thought of like the eight ascending notes or tones of a musical scale that make up an octave. Each note serves as the foundation for the next note until all eight are given. This octave, in turn, serves as the foundation for the next octave. Likewise, each tone from one through eight serves as the foundation for the next tone until all eight weeks are fulfilled. Then, that completed eight week period serves as the foundation for the next repetition of the eight tones, and so on, until the Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee when the **Lenten Triodion** (Church Slavonic: Postnaja Triod’) begins the hymnody of the pre-Lenten weeks, through the days of the Great Fast until the Great Fast concludes on the Friday of the Sixth week. Then, unlike the Greek and Melkite practice, the Ruthenian Recension has the texts beginning on Lazarus Saturday until the Sunday of All Saints which follows Pentecost Sunday in

a collection called the **Flowering Triodion** (Church Slavonic: Cvitnaja Triod’). The other Churches have Great Week in the Lenten Triodion and begin the next volume which they call the Pentecostarion on Pascha. Those three books contain the propers for each day according to the moveable calendar based on the day of Pascha which changes each year. The texts of the feast-days and the saints’ holydays for every day of the year are contained in a volume called the **Menaion**, which consists of twelve books, one for each month beginning September 1st, the Church New Year.

Dormition Fast. The Dormition Fast begins Tuesday, August 1st, which is the feast of the Procession with the Holy Cross, and continues until August 14th, the day before the Dormition of the Mother of God. Traditionally, it is a fast from meat and dairy products Monday through Friday with a mitigation on Saturdays, Sundays and the feast of the Transfiguration, August 6th. In the 20th century it was the practice to have strict fast (no meat or dairy) Monday, Wednesday, Friday and abstinence (no meat but dairy allowed) on Tuesday and Thursday. The Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church in the United States keeps this period as a penitential season allowing the individual to determine the degree of fast he/she is able and willing to observe. The service of intercession to the Mother of God, Paraklisis, is traditionally prayed each day of the two week fast, while there is a special Dormition Akathist the Typicon of Father Dr. Alexander Mikita (Uzhorod, 1901) prescribed for 6:00 PM on August 14th for the Eparchy of Mukachevo

Sacraments of Initiation. We welcome into the Mystical Body of Christ Margaret Emilie Magee, daughter of Michael Magee and Kyrie Hospodar Magee, baptized, chrismated and received first Holy Communion, last Sunday. May God grant her a pure profession of Faith all the days of her life. Mnohaja l’ita.

St. Nicholas Apostolate. Cardinal Robert Sarah, the prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, said in a brief article that the sacred liturgy is a treasure that is given to us, something “received through pure grace.” A humble attitude in the presence of this treasure leads priest and people alike to fulfill liturgical norms. Active participation in the liturgy, he added, leads to active participation in the life of the Church, including works of charity. At Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church, a significant way to actively participate in charity is through the St. Nicholas Apostolate for those in Need. The funds collected allow us to respond to the pressing and often immediate financial needs of our faithful and of the community at large. Two weeks ago, for example, three individuals received critical funds to assist situations they could not handle without assistance. In particular, our faithful are reminded that during urgent financial crises, that some assistance from the parish may be available. You may contact the Parish Office or Deacon El to review your particular situation. Additionally, our parish faithful are reminded that your donations to the Poor Box in the Church Vestibule are for the express purpose of financial assistance for those in crisis. Checks should be made to “St. Nicholas Apostolate for the Needy”. All donations are gratefully received in Christian Charity. -Thank you,
Deacon El

Feast Day Icons. There are two additional feast day icons available for offering by parishioners. The feast day icons are placed on the tetrapod table in commemoration of a particular feast. The two icons available for an offering of \$50 are St. John Chrysostom and Sunday of the Ancestors (two Sundays before Christmas). A dedication plaque will be engraved and placed on the back side of the icon.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Share My Faith Day. Do you ever get asked the question "What is Byzantine Catholicism?" Do you know how to confidently answer this question? Join me and members of varying faiths at Epiphany of Our Lord church in Annandale, Virginia for a FREE workshop that explores our unique Eastern Rite religion through Pysanky Egg dying, holiday traditions, original Slavic cuisine, and our liturgy! This workshop will be held on August 12th from 9:45 am - 3:30 pm at Epiphany of our Lord church at **3410 Woodburn Rd. Annandale, Virginia 22003.** Ages 12 and up would benefit best from this event. For additional information and to register please send your name, contact information, number of guests, and home church with your religion to go.gold.kelsey@gmail.com. Welcome registration by August 8th! See insert in today's bulletin for more details.

This workshop is presented by parishioner Kelsey Lee as part of her **Girl Scout Gold Award Project, the highest possible award in Girl Scouting!*

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 @ tmatlaga@yahoo.com. Remember to visit www.slavicamericanfestival.com and like us on Facebook.

Festival Nut Roll Baking. Men and women volunteers will be baking nut rolls and poppy seed rolls for the Slavic-American Festival at 8:00 AM on Saturday, August 5th. First time baking volunteers (mentoring available) and veteran bakers welcome. 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.

Festival Planning Update. A short update meeting for Festival planning will be held immediately after the conclusion of the 8:00 am Divine Liturgy on Sunday, August 6, 2017 in the Chapel Basement (circa 9:30 am). All festival chairpersons are asked to attend and give a short status report on their event. All interested parishioners are invited to attend. The meeting will conclude before the 10:30 Divine Liturgy begins.

Festival Volunteers. The Epiphany Slavic American Festival will be held on Sunday, September 10, 2017. Volunteers are needed to run dozens of activities for our guests (ethnic food, children's games, bingo, bake sale, ticket sales, etc.). If you have a particular interest in helping with setup (Friday evening and Saturday morning) or on the day of the festival, please come to the planning meeting on August 6th and sign up, contact Jack Figel at 703-691-8585, or by email: jackfigel@verzion.net. We especially need help with food service and food preparation. Thanks!

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. Thank you to those who have shared comments.

Parish Office Communications. It is with great relief that we inform our parishioners that Phone Tree and the office fax capability have been restored. The data entry necessary for Phone Tree emails, as well as, telephone contacts has been completed. This data was lost when we updated the office computers. Also, when the new copier was installed and we had the issues with Verizon, our fax capability was lost. The issue has been corrected and we can now fax through the copier.

Festival Rummage Sale. Thinking of cleaning out your basement or storage closets? Please consider bringing these still useful items to Epiphany for the Slavic American Festival Rummage Sale. Please, **NO clothing, car parts, major appliances, tires, etc.** Donations will be accepted beginning Sunday, August 6th through Sunday, September 6th between Divine Liturgies and for thirty minutes after the 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy; Tuesday evenings from 5:00 PM 6:00 PM. For more information or to volunteer to help with the rummage sale, call Tony at 703-323-3650.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying College Moms. Praying Catholic Moms remind Catholics in the United States that the second Sunday of August is a special day to pray for college students, known as the “Universal Pray for College Students Day”. This is a day to recognize and bless our college age students as they prepare for college, vocational training, the military or other endeavors. This year it is on Sunday, August 13th. Praying Catholic Moms is a Catholic 501(c)3 organization established in 2012 to support college students and their parents during this critical time when students experience independence, may be faced with temptations, and are called upon to make good choices for themselves. This is an important effort to keep our students Catholic and turn to God as we pray for wisdom and success for each of them. Please refer to our web site for information about our organization www.prayingcollegemoms.org.

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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 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

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