



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

August 30, 2015

**Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!**

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Aug. 30 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Kathleen Gerardi by The Hogan Family

FIFTEENTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

Beginning of the Church Year

Sept 01 Tues. 10:00 AM God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
Sept. 03 Thurs. 10:00 AM Funeral Divine Liturgy +Jerome Mattingly
Sept. 05 Sat. 10:00 AM +Mary Derk by Joseph Stone

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sept. 06 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Helen Polink by Frank Polink, Sr.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – September 6, 2015

Sept. 06 Sun. 8:00 AM P. O’Leary (L), J. Cooke, T. Hughes, J. Jaimes
10:30 AM J. Naccash (L), G. Noyes, M. Noyes, James Soyka

USHER SCHEDULE – September 6, 2015

Sept. 06 Sun. 8:00 AM B. Wargo (L), T. Ryan, T. Susco
10:30 AM E. Gubanich (L), K. Kepick, E. Koval

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2015

The Church New Year

Christ’s faithful of the Byzantine Catholic Churches observe the beginning of the liturgical year annually on September 1st. The Bible records in Leviticus (23:24-25) and Numbers (29:1-2) that God commanded the Hebrews to observe the New Year on the first day of the seventh month (September-October). When Jesus announced publically that he was the Messiah the holy fathers surmised that Jesus did this on the first day of the year, so they observed this annually on September 1st. The gospel according to Luke recorded that Jesus read Isaiah, chapter 61, that He came to “proclaim a Year of Favor from the Lord.” Jesus Christ is the central figure in the Year of Favor. Through His Divine Work, He gives salvation. We are not spectators but participants in His Year of Favor. With the saints interceding for us and providing examples of living in Christ for us, Jesus works with us to make us His saints.

ECF-SOR Registration. Epiphany School of Religion classes begin Sunday, September 20th. If you are new to the parish or the SOR program please see the insert in today’s bulletin regarding registering your child/child

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You. We wish to express our deep appreciation to all of the Epiphany parishioners for their thoughts, prayers, cards, and assistance during Jerry’s illness. Words cannot express our gratitude for your generosity. Our family will hold all of you in our prayers.

- Betty Mattingly & family

Condolences. We offer condolences to Betty Mattingly and family upon the death of their husband and father, +Jerome Mattingly, who died on Wednesday, August 26th. The visitation will be Wednesday, September 2nd, at Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM with Parastas at 7:30 PM. The funeral will be Thursday, September 3rd, at Epiphany of Our Lord Church at 10:00 AM. Burial will be from Fairfax Memorial Park immediately following the funeral. May God grant His departed servant, +Jerome, peaceful repose. Vicnaja jemu pamjat’.

Vibrant Parish. “The Vibrant Parish—A Place to Encounter the Living Christ”- is a program of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church that Bishop Kurt has borrowed for our eparchy. Now that the reflections of the six dimensions of the Vibrant Parish have appeared in the bulletin for six weeks the bulletin will have the results from other parishes that were presented by the priests of the Eparchy of Passaic at Presbyteral Days. Please review the practices of **other** parishes and the suggestions of the priests of other parishes regarding what they think could be done.

EMC BINGO

09/01/15 Team B
09/08/15 Team C
09/15/15 Team D
09/22/15 Team A
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

Join the Epiphany Bookstore Team! We are looking for someone interested in volunteering one Sunday a month between liturgies to help us make Bookstore merchandise available to our Parish community. If you have any questions or interest, please call Julie Kowalski evenings or weekends at 703-354-7147.

The Bookstore Is Open for You. The Epiphany Bookstore is open each Sunday between liturgies in the Parish Center. Please check out the icons, books, religious goods and gift items available. All proceeds benefit the Epiphany Building Fund.

Order your personal copy of our Marian Shrine Icon. Epiphany Bookstore is accepting orders for a Marian Shrine Icon, using an image of our own Church's beautiful Marian Shrine Icon. Come by the Bookstore to see a sample and place your order. Orders will be accepted through Sunday 10/11/2015. Full payment will be required with your order. Icons will be available for pickup in 4 to 6 weeks of your order.

Save the Date. The 8th Annual Susco 8K will be held on Saturday, September 19th at South Lakes High School. The event starts at 8:30 AM and will also include a 2K fun walk. Proceeds from the event are to benefit the Brain Aneurysm Foundation and the Washington Regional Transplant Community. For more information, to register, donate, or volunteer, visit our website www.Susco8K or call Tom or Nancy Susco at 703-742-0582.

Bingo Temporary Volunteer. Bingo is in need of a temporary food server on the second Tuesday of the month. If you are able to help out for a limited time please contact Eddie Gubanich 703-978-3824; Jack Kepick 703-455-6510; or Dolores Opachko 703-938-2373.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Meeting of Families. The World Meeting of Families 2015 will be held at the Philadelphia Convention Center and other locations in Philadelphia, PA September 22-25.

1. The 17,000 participants will include families from around the world as well as Pope Francis who will offer Mass open to the public Sunday, September 27, 2015 at 4:00 PM on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia.
2. The World Meeting of Families Preparatory Catechesis is available in today's bulletin. *Love is our Mission: The Family Fully Alive* is available free at the WMOG website www.worldmeeting2015.org.
3. There is much excitement and anticipation for the visit of Pope Francis this September. A vital part of the preparation for the papal visit is catechetical preparation. The Archdiocese of Washington in collaboration with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) [Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis](http://www.usccb.org), is making available several resource guides to support the work of teachers, catechists and teen advisors. These materials offer resources for the development of grade and parish/school appropriate lessons focused on the papacy and the papal visit. They also include material suitable for adults. We encourage teachers, catechists and youth ministers to utilize these resource guides to create lesson plans designed to address the learning needs of each individual class or group, with attention to age, ability, culture, religion, current religion curriculum and prior knowledge regarding the papacy. Teachers and catechists will establish the goals and learning outcomes for each lesson with the approval of their principal or catechetical leader. See www.usccb.org. Go to "U.S. Papal Visit" and then click on Catechetical Resources.

Men's Day of Recollection. "The Eucharist As Source and Summit of Our Lives" is the theme of the retreat given by Fr. Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M. for men of Patronage, St. Gregory of Nyssa, Epiphany of Our Lord, St. Ann's and the Byzantine Missions of Hagerstown, Abington, Gaithersburg and other local Eastern Catholic Parishes. The retreat begins at 8:30 AM, September 26th at Patronage of the Mother of God, 1265 Linden Ave., Arbutus, Maryland 21227 and concludes with Vespers at 4:00 PM. Lunch and snacks are included. This retreat is free. Please RSVP to patronage.church@gmail.com.

81st Annual Pilgrimage in Honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The dates for the 81st Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help are Friday, September 4th, Saturday, September 5th and Sunday, September 6th at Mount St. Macrina, Uniontown, PA. The focus for this year's Pilgrimage is "Mary: Model of Consecrated Life." A schedule for the three days is available in the Parish Office. **Note:** If your minor child/teen is attending the pilgrimage with someone other than parents, Safe Environment Documents need to be completed and brought with them. The instructions and forms are found on the website of the Sisters of St. Basil www.sistersofstbasil.org. (Just click on *Events* tab on the top of the Sisters' website to find the tab *Safe Environment Documents*.)

Historic Church to be Demolished. The first Greek Catholic church in the United States was constructed in Shenandoah, PA, under the title Saint Michael the Archangel in 1884, serving Ukrainian Catholics. (Two years later, Ruthenian Greek Catholics in Freeland, PA asked Father John Volansky, pastor of Saint Michael church, to come to Freeland to organize a parish. The first Ruthenian Greek Catholic parish, Saint Mary Church, Freeland, PA. was founded in 1886 by Father Volansky). Meanwhile, in 1908 the Ukrainian Catholics in Shenandoah built a second Saint Michael Church and used the first historic structure as a hall. When this second church burned down in the 1980's the first church was used again until a new church was rebuilt. It is the first church in the United States for Ukrainian Catholics from 1884 to 1908 and again in the 1980's, that is being prepared for demolition by Saint Michael's parish.

Eparchial Family Days of Recollection are coming! The Eparchy invites **all parishioners** – singles, families, married and engaged couples, young adults and seniors – to participate in this continuing celebration of the World Meeting of Families. *Our Church, Our Family, Our Mission: Called to Love* will be held at 5 locations throughout the Eparchy. **All are welcome to attend at any of the host parish sites** for a day of talks for adults, age-appropriate activities for children and Byzanteens, and faith-sharing for all. The *Days* are FREE and include continental breakfast and lunch, but **registration is required**. Check with your parish and the Eastern Catholic Life for a brochure and registration form. You may also register using the parish sign-up sheet. Email Fr Ed Cimbalá – FrEdStMary@aol.com – for more information. We all come from a family, and participate in family life in different ways. The Days of Recollection are an opportunity for each of us, as God's Family, to move closer to Christ, and each other! Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/EparchyPassaicWMOF>

FESTIVAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Note Listed Deadlines)

Attention Gardeners! There is a new addition to the festival this year -- a "Farm Market" booth. The farm market will have fresh fruits and vegetables for sale. If you will have fresh home grown produce available the weekend of the festival and you would like to donate the produce to the farm market, please contact Terry Matlaga Bell, tmatlaga@yahoo.com or (703) 606-2937.

Slavic American Festival Tickets. Raffle tickets for the Epiphany Festival Raffle have been mailed to all parishioners. If you have not received your order form, please contact the Parish Office Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM -2:00 PM. Because Virginia Bingo rules only allow us to send the tickets after we receive your order, you are encouraged to mail in (or bring on Sunday) your order form so we can send the tickets to you as soon as possible.

Festival Bake Sale: Every year, your generous donations of baked goods make our Bake Sale a success! Every flavor & shape is welcome. Keep in mind that **low calorie or gluten free offerings** are also welcomed! So please pull out your favorite recipes and let the baking begin! Label your donation being sure to include content details (nuts/no nuts, low fat, gluten free etc.) your name, and the words "Festival Bake Sale" on it. Place it in the Parish Center walk-in freezer, or refrigerator if delivered the festival weekend. Thank you! Your donations are deeply appreciated. Maryanne Berezny Smith, Bake Sale Chair. Questions? Please call 703 283 2564 or email me at mbreezy1@verizon.net

Festival Rummage Sale. Gather up those family heirlooms, the thingamabobs that you bought from QVC and HSN, and other useful items that have been cluttering your basement or closets, and consider donating them for the Epiphany Rummage Sale to be held at the Slavic American Festival on September 13th. Please no clothing, car parts, major appliances, tires, etc. Donations will be accepted today Sunday, August 30th between Divine Liturgies and for 30 minutes after the 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy; Thank you for your generosity. For additional information, or to volunteer to assist at the sale, contact Tony Fazio at 703-323-3650.

Silent Auction Items Needed. The 2nd Annual Epiphany Silent Auction will be held during the Slavic American Festival on September 13th. Donations will be accepted from June 1st until September 1st. 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 at tmatlaga@yahoo.com or (703) 802-1496 to arrange pickup.

Pre-Festival Sale for Parishioners at the Epiphany Bookstore - Sunday August 30th and September 6th between liturgies. Get the opportunity to see and purchase Festival merchandise before the rush.