



# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church  
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	September 11, 2016	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

### *SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS POST-FESTIVE OF THE BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS*

Sept. 11 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	10:30 AM	Victims of September 11, 2001 & Their Families
<i>Eighteenth Week after Pentecost</i>		
<i>EXALTATION OF THE CROSS</i>		
Sept. 14 Wed.	10:00 AM	+Anne Soyka by Children & Grandchildren
	7:30 PM	Intention of Parishioners
Sept. 16 Fri.	10:00 AM	+Kathleen Ryan by Epiphany Ladies Guild
Sept. 17 Sat.	10:00 AM	+Deacon Gerald McDonnell by Mary McDonnell & Family

### *SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS*

Sept. 18 Sun.	8:00 AM	+Timothy Susco by Susco Family
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

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### *ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – September 18, 2016*

Sept. 18 Sun.	8:00 AM	P. O’Leary (L), J. Cooke, Joseph Hughes, T. Hughes
	10:30 AM	M. Noyes (L), T. Clark, J. Naccash

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### *USHER SCHEDULE – September 18, 2016*

Sept. 18 Sun.	8:00 AM	BCY
	10:30 AM	D. Semanco (L), J. Kepick, M. Kernich

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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  
9:00 AM to 12:00 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, 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.

## EPARCHIAL & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Come See.** Men 18-35 are invited to a weekend retreat at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Ss. Cyril and Methodius to discover God's game plan October 14<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>. For registration, direction and details go to [www.bcs.edu](http://www.bcs.edu) or call 412-321-8383.

**Save the Date.** The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Susco 8K, in memory of Timothy Susco will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2016. Tim Susco was an altar server and a member of Epiphany BCY. The event will include an 8K run and a 2K fun walk. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Brain Aneurysm Foundation and the Washington Regional Transplant Community. The event will start at 8:30 AM at South Lakes High School in Reston. To register for the race, donate or volunteer, go to the website [www.Susco8K.com](http://www.Susco8K.com) or call Tom and Nancy Susco at 703-742-0582.

**24<sup>th</sup> International Week of Prayer and Fasting.** The International Week of Prayer and Fasting coalition in collaboration with the Marians of the Immaculate Conception are asking for individuals, families, prayer groups and parishes to unite for nine days, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – October 10<sup>th</sup>, of prayer and fasting for the following goals for the conversion of all peoples and nations; to build a culture of life; for protection of marriage and family life according to Heaven's Divine Order; for peace and to implore God's Mercy. Please register on line at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) to register for the Day of Prayer, Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at the basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception from 9:00 AM-4:30 PM.

*Sunday before Exaltation*

*September 11, 2016*

### COMING EVENTS

*(see inside for details)*

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special Indulgences possible
- Byzantine Spirituality
- Slavic American Festival- is today!
- Parish Office Closed Today
- Festival Workers Parking
- Raffle tickets on sale 12:00 Noon – 5:00 PM
- Rummage Sale – early bird hours
- Susco 8K – September 17<sup>th</sup>
- Catechetical Sunday – September 18<sup>th</sup>

#### EMC BINGO

09/13/16 Team D

09/20/16 Team A

09/27/16 Team B

10/04/16 Team C

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

### TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–September 4, 2016

Adults	\$3,801.00
Children	\$3.70
Building Fund	\$699.00
School of Religion	\$366.00
Candles	\$83.75
Holy Days	\$31.00
Holy Water Bottles	\$19.00
Seminary	\$65.00
<u>St. Nicholas</u>	<u>\$26.11</u>
TOTAL	\$5,094.56

*“...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, Patricia Fedorko, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Mary Gaydos, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, Peter Wegman. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O'Leary, Russell Plasha, William Brokaw, Maureen Guth, Tim O'Leary, Joanne Gaudino, Patricia Delfine, Rev. Joseph Jugan, Wayne Bowman, Steven Goula, Fr. Phillip Scott, Mary Jewette and Luke Kolar.

**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: Sandra Bungo, German and Matrona Busch & family, Kenneth Buterbaugh, Vincent and Jennifer Cassella & family, Paul and Stephanie Ceragioli & family, William Cervenak, Andrew Chando, and from the Mission, John and Colleen Dolinish & family.

**Jubilee Year Indulgences.** Bishop Kurt has asked that in churches with a Holy Door, an appropriate prayer-service followed by the Sacrament of Penance should be offered once each month on the first or second Saturday. Our parish will be praying the Moleben to Jesus, the Lover of Mankind.

**Holy Year-Merciful like the Father.** Pope Francis asks us to be God-like and practice the Spiritual Works of Mercy and the Corporal Works of Mercy. In the epistle appointed for the Sunday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Galatians 6:11-18, Saint Paul tells the Christians of the region around modern Ankara, Turkey, that the Law of Moses has been fulfilled by the coming of Jesus the Messiah. There is no need for them to be enticed by those who are teaching them to observe dietary and other precepts of the Old Testament. Why? Because the Law was only the guardian until the Messiah came with God's saving mercy. Circumcision is no longer needed as a mark of the marriage Covenant with God. Now the new mark is the marks of Christ's crucifixion wounds, God's great mercy, with which we are marked at baptism. (Baptism imparts an indelible mark, a *sphragis*, which is why it cannot be repeated.) The gospel appointed for today is John 3:13-17, part of a dialogue of Jesus and Nicodemus, who had to speak to Jesus by cover of night. The gospel of the mercy of God can be summarized by the words of our Lord in this gospel: "For God so

loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish, but might have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through Him."

**Lamp and Light.** Epiphany Bible Study will begin in October. The Bible Study will study the Sacred Scripture according to the four "senses" of traditional Bible interpretation, that is, the literal or historical sense, and the three spiritual senses: allegorical, moral, and future senses, and its application to our lives. The Bible study opens up the meaning of the word of God by applying the oral part of Tradition. The Bible is one half of the Tradition (with a capital "T" to distinguish it from traditions of theology, law, spirituality, liturgical practices), which is the living transmission of the message of God given to the Church and entrusted to the apostles and their successors, the bishops. Both the oral preaching and the written message of salvation are preserved as a living deposit of Faith and handed on to each generation. The written part of Tradition, the Bible, can only be understood and interpreted by the oral part of Tradition. Lamp and Light is a result of the Vibrant Parish Assessment (a Diagnostic Assessment of the Major Archiepiscopal Ukrainian Catholic Church) Bishop Burnette presented to pastors of the Eparchy of Passaic. The assessment stated: "Teach people how to live Sacred Scripture." The Holy Spirit inspired King David to write in Psalm 119: "Your Word, O Lord, is a Lamp to my feet, a Light to my eyes" (Psalm 119:105).

**Catechetical Sunday.** Catechetical Sunday, which is celebrated annually on the third Sunday of September in parishes across the United States, falls this year on the weekend of September 18, 2016, the Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. This year, the

Church will focus on the theme "Prayer: The Faith Prayed." This year's theme invites all the baptized—especially catechists and Catholic school teachers—to devote themselves to a deeper study and practice of prayer, for their own spiritual good and for the good of those they serve. The Eastern Churches embrace a formula from Prosper of Aquitaine, *Lex orandi est legem credendi* which means, *The Rule of Prayer is the Rule of Faith*. The doctrines of the Church arise from the prayer of the Church. Those whom the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Slavic American Festival.** The Slavic American Festival is TODAY! The festival begins at 12:00 NOON.

**Parish Office Schedule.** The Parish Office will be closed today, Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, accommodate the festival. Sunday office hours will resume next Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Festival Workers Parking.** Parking is available for early birds on the grass area across from the rectory garage if it is **NOT** raining. If it is raining or the ground is wet, this parking will **NOT** be available to workers.

**Festival Rummage Sale.** The rummage sale will be open to parishioners for one hour after the conclusion of the Saturday Divine Liturgy vigil, Sunday morning after the 8:00 AM Divine

Liturgy until 10:15 AM and during the festival from Noon to 4:00 PM.

**Slavic American Festival Raffle Tickets.** If you did not send in your raffle ticket check in time, don't forget you can still purchase tickets during the festival. Tickets will be on sale from 12:00 Noon until 5:00 PM today.

### Food For Others – Thank You

ECF-SOR would like to thank everyone that donated rice and canned items for our friends in Northern Virginia. All items weighed in at 300 lbs.

### ECF-SOR September – October Food Drive

Help us collect non-perishable food for the Power Pack Program (P3) All donations will be delivered to Food For Others on October 7, 2016, and will be put towards the P<sup>3</sup> program to feed hungry children in our area. Fruit cups (in their own juice) Applesauce Squeeze packets (all flavors) Fruit Snacks (i.e. Welch's) Chewy Bars (i.e. Quakers) Chef Boyardee: Beefaroni, Ravioli, Spaghetti & Meatballs, chicken and rice etc. in single/kid serving sizes Mac & Cheese cups (Velveeta and Kraft)

### ECF-SOR Classes

Start Date of classes – Sunday, September 18 Kindergarten – 5 years old by September 30 Pre-K – 4 years old by September 30

### Looking for PreK and K Students

To sign up as a New Students Registration please see Mrs. Kepick between liturgies or email her at [ECFSOR.mekep@gmail.com](mailto:ECFSOR.mekep@gmail.com) with any questions.