



# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church  
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	September 18, 2016	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

### *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
<i>Nineteenth Week after Pentecost</i>		
Sept. 20 Tues.	10:00 AM	+Sr. Catherine Dooley, O.P.
Sept. 23 Fri.	10:00 AM	+William Burcin by Epiphany Men's Club
Sept. 24 Sat.	10:00 AM	+John, +Anna, & +Joseph Wytko by Richard Wytko

### *NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

Sept. 25 Sun.	8:00 AM	+Gary Kodman by Helen & Peter Wegman
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners

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### *ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – September 25, 2016*

Sept.25 Sun.	8:00 AM	Joseph Hughes L), T. Hughes, P. O'Leary, J. O'Leary
	10:30 AM	James Hughes, T. Clark, D. Naccash

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### *USHER SCHEDULE – September 25, 2016*

Sept.25 Sun.	8:00 AM	J. Susco (L), J. Fedorko, T. Ryan
	10:30 AM	E. Gubanich (L), T. Fazio, E. Koval

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## 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 catechumenate. 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](mailto:epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net).

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

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Nutroll Sale.** Nut and poppy seed rolls will be available for purchase today, September 18<sup>th</sup>, and every Sunday between Divine Liturgies until all are sold.

**2016 EMC Awards Club Drawing.** Drawings for the 2016 Awards Club sponsored by Epiphany Men's Club will begin Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be nine drawings for \$50. The tenth and final drawing will take place on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, for \$1000. For tickets, please see the insert in today's bulletin.

## EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Come and 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.

**Wedding Anniversary Celebration.** Most Reverend Kurt Burnette, Bishop of Passaic, will celebrate a Divine Liturgy for married couples of the Middle States Syncellate celebrating their five year anniversaries (5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, etc.) at a vigil Divine Liturgy in October. If you and your spouse are celebrating a five year anniversary of a valid marriage this year please

call the Parish Office Monday through Friday between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM or send an email to [epiphanyoffourlord@verizon.net](mailto:epiphanyoffourlord@verizon.net). Invitations will be mailed to each couple celebrating a five year anniversary. A response card will be included in each invitation. Please return the response card whether you plan to attend or not.

**Forty Days of Prayer.** From September 28 through November 6, you're invited to put your faith into action and join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Falls Church Healthcare Center at 900 S. Washington Street, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: **Ruby Nicdao, 703-795-2216, [ruby40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:ruby40daysforlife@gmail.com), [www.40daysforlife.com/fallschurch](http://www.40daysforlife.com/fallschurch)** or fellow parishioner Vin Cassella, 202-306-1791, [v\\_cassella@yahoo.com](mailto:v_cassella@yahoo.com)

**Seminary Concert Tour.** The choir from Blessed Theodore Romzha Theological Academy visiting from Užhorod, Transcarpathia, Ukraine, will return to the Washington, DC area and to our parish at the end of the month. Bishop Kurt Burnette and Bishop Nil Luschak will concelebrate a Vigil Divine Liturgy of the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God on Friday, September 30, 4:00 PM at the Byzantine Ruthenian chapel at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. The seminary choir will render the responses. Saturday morning, October 1, the feast of the Protection (Patronage) of the Mother of God, they will render the responses for the parish feast day of Patronage of the Mother of God church, Baltimore, MD. Saturday evening the seminary choir will have a concert of sacred music here at Epiphany church at 7:00 PM.

Sunday after Exaltation

## COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special Indulgences possible
- Byzantine Spirituality
- Catechetical Sunday – Today, September 18<sup>th</sup>
- SOR begins today
- Nut roll Sale – Today
- SOR October Food Drive
- EMC Awards Club Raffle
- Wedding Anniversary

### EMC BINGO

09/20/16 Team A  
09/27/16 Team B  
10/04/16 Team C  
10/11/16 Team D  
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

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## TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–September 11, 2016

Adults	\$3,128.00
Children	\$4.70
Building Fund	\$1,190.00
School of Religion	\$75.00
Candles	\$131.00
Holy Days	\$325.00
BCY	\$5.00
Seminary	\$105.00
<u>St. Nicholas</u>	<u>\$147.25</u>
TOTAL	\$5,146.95

*“In generous spirit pay homage to the Lord, be not sparing of freewill gifts.” (Sirach 35:7)*

## 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: Edward Chando, Daniel and Laura Clark & family, James and Valerie Clark & family, John and Lisa Clark & family, Kevin and Laura Jean Clark & family, Timothy and Yvonne Clark & family, Thomas and Jennifer Cooke & family, and from the Mission, Anne Fejka.

**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. New situations can be intimidating, yet they are also a great opportunity to grow and express oneself. We want to make a good impression on others, whether it is at the beginning of a new school year, a new job, or just meeting someone for the first time. Likewise, when people are first turning to the Christian faith, we want them to have a positive experience of Christianity so that they can come to know the love and mercy of God. In all of our actions then, we ought to take this into consideration and model our own attitudes and actions after Christ, who is the "face of the Father's mercy" (MV, no. 1). By showing others love, mercy, and compassion, we offer them the opportunity to deepen their relationship with God. Personal encounters and invitations are a great way to witness God's mercy and compassion to others. This month, try some of these out. Even little actions, like a smile, can make a big difference in the way people see you as living out your faith. Do a spiritual

work of mercy and invite someone to a church service or a parish function.

**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 Archbishopal 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 this Sunday, 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

**Welcome to all our Teachers, Students & Parents.** Our Liturgical Year began September 1 and that is a great beginning to our new school year.

**"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." John 1:1**

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY September 18, 2016: COMMUNION WITH GOD**  
Kindergarten – 5 years old by September 30

Pre-K – 4 years old by September 30  
**Parents.** Please check your "Family Folder" in the Parish Center for your ECF-SOR 2016-17 Calendar and Hand-out.

**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.

## 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)  
**Food For Others August – 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.

**2016 Slavic American Festival Pictures and Video.** Pictures and some video from the 2016 Slavic-American Festival can be viewed on the Epiphany photos website. You can access the photos through the church website ([www.eolbcc.org](http://www.eolbcc.org)) by clicking on the link "PHOTOS/VIDEO" or directly to the photo website at <https://epiphanyffxva.smugmug.com/SlavicAmerican-Festival>.