



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

September 10, 2017

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

Sept. 17 Sun. 8:00 AM +Timothy Susco by Tom and Nancy Susco
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

SIXTEENTH WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

Sept. 19 Tues. 10:00 AM +Joseph Checkon by Mae Checkon & Family

Sept. 22 Fri. 10:00 AM +Gary Kodman by Helen & Peter Wegman

SATURDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION

Sept. 23 Sat. 10:00 AM +Deacon Gerald McDonnell by Mary McDonnell & Family

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sept. 24 Sun. 8:00 AM +Stefan Matlaga by Terry Bell and Karen Dade & Families
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – September 24 2017

Sept.24 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Hughes (L), T. Hughes, J. Jaimes, J. Lampl
10:30 AM G. Naccash (L), T. Clark, D. Naccash, J. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – September 24, 2017

Sept. 24 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Nashwinter (L), J. Kotula, J. Susco
10:30 AM E. Gubanich (L), J. Kepick, J. Naccash

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality

- Wedding Anniversary - October 14th

- Catechetical Sunday - Today

- Festival Pictures

EMC BINGO

09/19/17 Team A
09/26/17 Team B
10/03/17 Team C
10/10/17 Team D

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations—September 10, 2017

Adults	\$3,695.00
Children	\$1.20
Building Fund	\$1,285.00
School of Religion	\$250.00
Candles	\$156.05
Holy Days	\$211.00
Boiler Fund	\$110.00
Seminary	\$30.00
Hurricane Relief	\$1,896.00
St. Nicholas Fund	\$13.00
TOTAL	\$7,647.25

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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, Ben Zurun, George Semonick, and Mary Gaydos. 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, Fr. Conan Timoney, Eileen Gray, Karen Baine, James Seman, Jim Sinclair, Fr. Lee Gross, Mike Shuster, and Eddie Schmidt.

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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: Joyce Galovich, Dorothy Gaydos, Mary Gaydos, Aaron George, Robert and Kyra Gerardi & family, Diana and Eugene Goldlust & family, Janet and Steven Goldman, and from the Mission John and Belinda Radko & family.

Liturgical Books. The liturgical books of the Ruthenian Church can be arranged in three groups. The first are the books which contain the texts of the Divine Liturgies (the Liturgicon or Služebnik), or the Divine Praises such as Vespers, Matins, Compline and the Little Hours (the Book of Hours or Časoslov), or the sacraments (Euchologion or Trebnyk). The second are the liturgical books containing the propers for each day, and they are the Octoechos, the Lenten Triodion, the Flowering Triodion, and the Menaion. In addition to these liturgical books the Ruthenian Church uses texts of the Holy Scripture (The Gospel or Jevanhelije, the Apostle or Apostol, and the Psalter or Psaltir). The Faithful have two compendiums of prayers and services that have been developed for their use and a psalter. First there is a book termed a Molitvennik or Prayerbook. Father Alexander Duchnovich-known as the "Great Enlightener"-edited a literary journal, wrote poetry and plays, elected to Parliament, and a Canon of the Eparchy of Prešov also edited a prayerbook titled "Chl'ib Duši or *Spiritual Bread*. It contained excerpts of the liturgical books most used: Morning and Evening Prayers, several Akathist Hymns, prayers for various needs, Vespers, Matins, the Divine Liturgy, other services and

funeral services, the propers for the Divine Liturgy for Sundays and feastdays, and spiritual hymns and poetry. *Spiritual Bread* served as the inspiration text of the prayerbooks which were published in the United States for Byzantine Ruthenian Catholics by Father Julius Grigassy, "Moj Molitvennik" or *My Prayerbook*, the Prayerbook of the Sisters of Saint Basil the Great, and *The Byzantine Book of Prayer*. The Ruthenian Church also uses an anthology containing greater excerpts of the liturgical books especially the propers of Vespers and Matins entitled the "Great Anthologion" or *Velikij Sbornik*. This type of prayerbook was developed by Father Andrew Popovich of the Eparchy of Mukachevo and it has been reprinted many times and is still in use in the Eparchy of Mukachevo. The Velikij Sbornik was transliterated from Cyrillic letters into Latin letters for the use of the Eparchy of Prešov and titled "Chvalite Hospoda" or *Praise the Lord* in 1937 by Bishop Paul Gojdich. This volume made its way to the United States and was used in Ruthenian parishes into the 1970's. Finally, the third is the Psalter (Church Slavonic: Psaltir). The Psalter contains the 150 psalms of the Old Testament and another psalm not of the 150 which is titled "A psalm of David when he engaged in single combat with Goliath" that is appended after the 150th psalm. The 150 psalms are arranged in twenty groups which are known as kathismata. Between the kathismata there are troparia and prayers between each kathisma from the tradition of the Desert Fathers which are read only when the psalter is recited privately or as part of a funeral vigil keeping watch over the body of the departed. Also, the Psalter contains the nine odes of the Bible which are to be prayed at Matins. The first book published for the Ruthenians in the United States by the Greek Catholic Union was the Psalter-Psaltir' in parallel Church Slavonic (Cyrillic, not Latin letters) and English including the troparia and prayers between each kathisma.

Catechetical Sunday. This year, the Church in the United States observes Catechetical Sunday today, September 17, 2017. The 2017 theme is "Living as Missionary Disciples." Those who serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their share in the apostolic work. Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. As such they are the first and most important missionaries most of us encounter. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation. The Church can listen to parents suggest what resources they feel they need from the Church in order to be fully equipped missionaries. 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

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 (5th, 10th, 15th, etc.) at a vigil Divine Liturgy on October 14th at 4:00 PM. 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. 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.

2017 Slavic-American Festival

Pictures/Videos. Pictures and some video from the 2017 Slavic-American Festival can be viewed on the Epiphany photos website. You can access the photos through the church website (www.eolbcc.org) by clicking on the link "PHOTOS/VIDEO" or directly to the photo website at <https://epiphanyffxva.smugmug.com/SlavicAmerican-Festival>. Videos are designated with a small camera icon at the bottom left corner of the photo. There is a separate folder for each years festival. There is no charge for downloading photos or videos from the website to your personal devices to use as you choose. While viewing the website, you may notice a green "BUY" button. Accessing this button will take you to an on-line site that provides the opportunity to create and purchase novelty items such as calendars and mugs using the photos from the website. Epiphany or its parishioners do not receive any proceeds from these sales. If you have pictures to add to the website from the festival or other church events, contact Frank Kotula.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coping/Rebuilding. The Coping Program helps people who are separated, divorced, or widowed who are still dealing with the trauma of that loss. The six week program starts Sunday, October 15 and meets Sunday evenings 6:00 - 8:00 PM at St. Philip Catholic Church in Falls Church, Virginia. Please contact Gerri Ellenberger at 703-670-4845 for more information or go to <http://www.copingrebuilding.com>.

International Week of Prayer and Fasting. The 25TH International Week of Prayer and Fasting coalition in collaboration with the Marian Fathers, Legion of Mary and Priests for Life, are asking for individuals, families, prayer

groups and parishes to unite for nine days (Oct 1st – 9TH) of prayer and fasting for the following goals: For the final day, on Monday, October 9th, please join us at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. from 9 am – 4:30 pm for the International Day of Prayer. Registration is FREE, but please register online at www.iwopf.org to receive a free prayer card at the Basilica event. The **Celebrant and Homilist** for the noon mass will be **Bishop Joseph Perry**, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, IL. Speakers include Immaculee Ilabagiza, the Rwanda genocide survivor and powerful speaker on Healing and Conversion of the Peoples and Nations to Build a Culture of Life, to Defend the Sanctity of Marriage and Family Life, to Pray for Peace and to Implore God's Mercy. For more information, visit www.iwopf.org or call 1-888-478-PRAY (7729).

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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 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.

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

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