



**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	October 5, 2014	Slava Isusu Christu Slava Na Viki!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Oct. 5	Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
		10:30 AM	+Charles Sikoryak by Epiphany Ladies Guild
<i>Eighteenth Week after Pentecost</i>			
Oct. 08	Wed.	10:00 AM	+Daniel Green by Sally Green
Oct. 10	Fri.	10:00 AM	+Charles Drahos by Helen Santoro & Family
Oct. 11	Sat.	10:00 AM	+John, +Anna, and +Joseph Wytko by Richard Wytko

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Oct. 12	Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
		10:30 AM	+James Pounds by Epiphany Men's Club

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – October 12, 2014

Oct. 12	Sun.	8:00 AM	S. Ceragioli, (L), K. Ceragioli, J. Jaimes, C. Susco
		10:30 AM	D. Naccash (L), T. Clark, J. Hogan

USHER SCHEDULE – October 12, 2014

Oct. 12	Sun.	8:00 AM	K. Koshute (L), J. Fedorko, J. Susco
		10:30 AM	J. Kepick (L), M. Kernich, G. Semonick

“**Rejoice in the Lord always**”. Yesterday the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Church in the United States received a great and valuable gift: one of our members, the Venerable Sister Miriam Teresa Demjanovich, S.C., a parishioner of Saint John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church, Bayonne, NJ and a sister of the Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth, was beatified. With the Theotokos and with Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker who is the patron of the Byzantine Catholic Church, we have another intercessor, one of our own to pray for us. In addition, the holiness of Blessed Sr. Miriam Teresa was apparent in all dimensions of her life: as a daughter, a sister among her siblings, a student and a teacher, and a religious sister. Because of all these dimensions of her life, she is a help to us by her example—showing us how Byzantine Ruthenian Catholics living in the United States can become a saint—our true vocation in life.

1. The Beatification Mass was televised yesterday by EWTN. It was rebroadcast this morning at 12:00 am. Check with your cable provider for rebroadcast times.
2. The icon on the tetrapod today is of Blessed Miriam Teresa.
3. Pray that God grants another miracle through her intercession so that she can be canonized. Then she can be commemorated in the Catholic Church throughout the world. Here is the prayer offered by her religious congregation:
Most Holy and Blessed Trinity, Whom Sister Miriam Teresa loved so ardently, grant that we, like her, may become ever more conscious of your Divine Presence within our souls. We implore you to show signs that your humble servant enjoys glory with you in Heaven, and to hasten the day when we may render her a public tribute of our veneration and love. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
4. Copies of *Greater Perfection*, one of the books of Blessed Miriam Teresa, (\$15) as well her biography (also \$15) are available from her religious congregation, the Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth, Convent Station, NJ. To order, call (973) 290-5315 or e-mail mcanavan@scnj.org.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMC BINGO
10/07/14 Team C
10/14/14 Team D
10/21/14 Team A
10/28/14 Team B
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

Men's Club Meeting Thursday: The Epiphany Men's Club will meet this Thursday, October 9, in the Parish Hall. The meeting begins with 6:30 PM cocktails, 7:00 PM dinner, 7:30 PM business meeting and 8:15 PM program. This month's program will be a short, inspiring documentary about Father Michael McGivney, who founded the Knights of Columbus, a mutual benefit society that today has 1.8 million members in 13 nations. The film offers a rare glimpse into the life of an extraordinary priest – from defending the persecuted Church to protecting widows and orphans. All men of the parish of all ages are urged to attend!

EMC Breakfast. The EMC will host a breakfast next Sunday, October 12th between Divine Liturgies. Breakfast will be served in the Parish Center. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

Slavic-American Festival Wrap Up Meeting. The wrap up meeting for this year's Slavic American Festival will be held this Wednesday, October 8th, in the Parish Center. Heavy refreshments will be served at 7:00 PM with the meeting beginning at 7:30 PM. All chairpersons are encouraged to attend.

2014 Awards Club Drawing. Drawings for the 2014 Awards Club sponsored by Epiphany Men's Club will begin next Sunday October 12th. There will be nine drawings for \$50. The tenth and final drawing will take place on Sunday, December 14th, for \$1000. For tickets see Ed Gubanich, Jack Kepick, Jerry Mattingly or any EMC member.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Respect Life. October is Respect Life Month. Each Sunday of October we will include in the bulletin a brochure related to this topic. See today's inserts for the first brochure.

St. Mark Orthodox Church Festival. Russian and Eastern European specialties will be available at the Ethnic Food Festival and Bazaar at St. Mark Orthodox Church, 7124 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland Friday, November 7 (11:00 AM – 8:00 PM, Saturday, November 8 (11:00 AM– 8:00 PM) and Sunday, November 9 (12:00 Noon – 4:00 PM) In addition to Eastern European favorites, home-baked breads, pastries and desserts, beverages, jewelry, pottery, nutrition products, icon writing demonstrations, religious gifts and books, and raffles will also be featured.

Marriage—Heroism hidden in the day-to-day

“According to Tauler, then, ‘certain ones undergo martyrdom once by the sword; others know the martyrdom of love that crowns them interiorly’. This is the *kenosis* (emptying, humbleness) [God becoming a man is spoken as the first *kenosis*] proper to married life, the heroism of which is hidden under the garment of the day-to-day. Paul Evdokimov, *The Sacrament of Love*

“Spouses are therefore the permanent reminder to the Church of what happened on the Cross; they are for one another and for the children witnesses to the salvation in which the sacrament makes them sharers.” Saint John Paul II, *Familiaris Consortio*, 13.

Husbands and Wives, hidden heroes of daily life, who are observing their five-year wedding anniversaries will be honored for their heroic lives of love.

Parents should consider attending and bringing their children to the Divine Liturgy offered by Bishop Kurt Burnette on Saturday, October 18th at 4:00 PM where they can meet real heroes, the wedding jubilarians.

Report of Papal Nuncio to Ukraine. Archbishop Edward Gullickson, the American-born nuncio (ambassador) of the Holy See to Ukraine was in Rome September 25th to deliver a report on conditions in Ukraine. The following is the Archbishop's assessment of the condition of our mother church, the Eparchy of Mukachevo.

“The southwestern-most oblast of Ukraine, Transcarpathia, still maintains somewhat of its unique ethnic mix. The Germans are practically gone and very few Romanians there are Catholic. The Hungarians are still present, mostly protestant, but in small numbers also Catholic and belonging both to the Byzantine (Ruthenian tradition) and Roman Rites, as do the Ukrainians and Slovaks living there. Transcarpathia has perhaps the highest density of gypsies of any oblast in Ukraine.”

“The situation of the Roman Catholic Church in Transcarpathia (Diocese of Mukachevo) is perhaps the most endangered of anywhere in Ukraine today. An average rural parish, usually celebrating Sunday Mass in the Greek-Catholic church of its village, may have twenty elderly parishioners come on a Sunday. As Mass times are determined by the priest who generally covers three such communities each week, some of these elderly parishioners pass for convenience to the Greek-Catholic Liturgy later in the morning. Bishop Majnek has had two of his young Hungarian priests move to Hungary, where since seminary days their families have resettled and where all their companions exercise ministry. His total presbyterate does not amount to 40 priests.”

“The Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Mukachevo is directly subject to the Holy See, as its history sets it apart from the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church. Bishop Shashik, the Eparch of Mukachevo, has worked wonders there with very little support from the local authorities. The city of Uzhhorod, in particular, is very proud of the restoration on Bishop's House, Cathedral and environs, that which has already been accomplished and that still in the planning stages. The politicians are very quick to compliment him on his success at church building throughout the oblast, but will not help economically or support Catholic property claims against the Orthodox who are unwilling to return or at least share church property, especially in cases of multiple churches in the same village or where the larger community in a village today might be Catholic, with clear historical claims to both church yard and church. I cannot see an alternative to constructing new churches, as the Greek-Catholic community is destined to continuing growth and the Orthodox are not apt to cede properties of their own volition. Greek-Catholics simply do a better job of evangelizing than do most Orthodox.”