



**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD**  
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| <b>Glory to Jesus Christ!</b> | <b>October 12, 2014</b> | <b>Slava Isusu Christu</b> |
| <b>Glory Forever!</b>         |                         | <b>Slava Na Viki!</b>      |

***DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE***

***SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL***

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

***Nineteenth Week after Pentecost***

Oct. 14 Tues. 10:00 AM +Louise and +Jimmy Cason by Monica Koshuta & Family

Oct. 17 Fri. 10:00 AM +Elizabeth Lichvarcik by Elizabeth Basarab

***VIGIL LITURGY OF SUNDAY***

Oct. 18 Sat. 4:00 PM Wedding Anniversary Celebration

***NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***

Oct. 19 Sun. 8:00 AM +Mark Oakes by Teresa and Daniel Palenski  
 10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

***ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – October 19, 2014***

Oct. 19 Sun. 8:00 AM J. O'Leary (L), J. Jaimes, C. Susco, James Hughes  
 10:30 AM M. Tanner (L), D. Naccash, J. Naccash, M. Noyes

***USHER SCHEDULE – October 19, 2014***

Oct. 19 Sun. 8:00 AM BCY  
 10:30 AM R. Parrell (L), R. Bass, E. Koval

**LITURGY AND LIFE**

**Seventh Ecumenical Council.** The Seventh Ecumenical Council was held in Nicea, where the First Ecumenical Council was also held, September 24-October 23, 787. The council is always remembered on the Sunday following October 11<sup>th</sup>. Present were 367 bishops presided by Saint Tarasios, ecumenical patriarch and archbishop of Constantinople. Pope Hadrian was unable to attend but he sent a letter stating the Catholic position on the veneration of images. The Seventh Ecumenical Council is the only Ecumenical Council ever summoned by a woman, the Byzantine Emperor, Irene.

1. The council was called to address the issue whether icons could be placed in churches or venerated in homes. The real, or deeper, issue was a proper understanding of the incarnation of the Son of God, in other words, understanding that the Son of God really became a man. The issue began with a meditation on the Ten Commandments God gave to Moses. Since God commanded that no graven image of God be made (Exodus 20: 4), was the Church violating the Bible when it had icons and statues?
2. The council fathers taught that after the Son of God became a man, we can now make an image of Him, and His reflection in the saints, since God had made the first icon of Himself when He became a man. Humans can use matter, wood, paint, stone, to replicate the icon God made of Himself by using the flesh of the Theotokos. The council fathers added that because God became man not only **can** we make icons, we **must** make icons as a way to affirm this dogma.
3. Next, the council fathers taught that the faithful do not *worship* icons. Worship is reserved to God alone. Humans *venerate* icons when they incense or kiss or pray before them and the veneration passes to the prototype, that is, whoever is depicted on the icon.

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Parish Office Schedule.** The parish office will be closed tomorrow, Monday October 13<sup>th</sup>, in observance of the federal holiday, Columbus Day. Office hours will resume on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Slavic-American Festival 2014.** The net profit for the 2014 Slavic-American Festival was \$27,630.70. Congratulations and many thanks to all who made it possible.

**EMC BINGO**  
 10/14/14 Team D  
 10/21/14 Team A  
 10/28/14 Team B  
 11/04/14 Team C  
<http://EMCBINGO.com>

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

**2014 Awards Club Drawing.** Drawings for the 2014 Awards Club sponsored by Epiphany Men's Club will begin today Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. The next drawing will be October 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be nine drawings for \$50. The tenth and final drawing will take place on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, for \$1000. For tickets see Ed Gubanich,

Jack Kepick, Jerry Mattingly or any EMC member.

**Candy Available.** Just in time for your Halloween cravings, a small quantity of ELG's fabulous candy will be available for purchase between Liturgies on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions or have a special order, please contact Naomi at [romanchok@juno.com](mailto:romanchok@juno.com). Traditional Christmas candy will be available closer to the holidays.

**Halloween Party.** The BCY is once again sponsoring the annual Halloween Party for the children of Epiphany parish on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, from 11:45 AM to 1:15 PM in the Chapel basement. Children and parents are invited to dress up in your favorite costume and join the fun! There'll be plenty of games and prizes, and lunch will be served for all in attendance. Please give us a head count of family members planning to attend, no later than October 23<sup>rd</sup>, by emailing BCY Advisor Chris Braunlich at [c.braunlich@att.net](mailto:c.braunlich@att.net) or calling him at 703-922-6768 to ensure enough goodies for all!

**Post Construction Update.** The following items have been addressed this past week: 1. Bond Release. The only item left on the county bond release is the county drawing review. This is in work. I estimate that we should have the bond released in a month or two – definitely by Christmas; 2. HVAC and Miller Brothers contract closeout. A balancing test was performed on the water side of the HVAC. Due to problems with some valves on the air handler, this test was not completed. Annandale Balancing will provide a report on the issues encountered. Miller Brothers will need to resolve the issues and the test can be redone. This can be done during any season; 3. Church air leakage. A smoke machine has been purchased. This will be used to detect where we have air leaks. This testing can be performed during any season. 4. The third bell will be delivered Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM. Fr. John will consecrate the bell before it is placed in the bell tower. According to the vote of the majority of the parishioners, the bell will be consecrated with the name Miriam Teresa.

**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 second brochure.

## EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Byzantine Chapel.** Thank you to all who assisted to make the pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> a sanctified and spiritually fulfilling day. Also, pilgrims from our parish, in addition to the pilgrims from the other parishes in the syncellate, and the several from the cathedral parish and other parishes of the eparchy, represented all the Byzantine Ruthenians in the United States in offering thanksgiving to the Theotokos who has extended her mantle of protection over us since the archbishop and bishops placed our Church in the United States under her protection forty years ago.

**“Rejoice in the Lord always”.** Last Saturday, the first American Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic, 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, she is a help to us by her example—showing us how Byzantine Ruthenian Catholics living the United States can become a saint—our true vocation in life.

1. The icon on the tetrapod today is of Blessed Miriam Teresa.
2. 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.
3. A copy of the article that appeared in the National Catholic Register is included in the bulletin. The article is printed as it came from NCR. Unfortunately, the article picture is divided.
4. Copies of *Greater Perfection*, one of the books of Blessed Miriam Teresa, (\$15) as well as 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](mailto:mcanavan@scnj.org).

### 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 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM where they can meet real heroes, the wedding jubilarians.

