



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD Byzantine Catholic Church
The Sacraments – Our Life in Christ

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Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory to Jesus Christ!	October 16, 2016	Slava Isusu Christu!
Glory Forever!		Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Oct. 16 Sun.	8:00 AM	Health & God’s Blessings on Daniel Palenski by Theresa Matlaga Palenski & Family
	10:30 AM	Intention of Parishioners
		<i>Twenty-third Week after Pentecost</i>
Oct. 18 Tues.	10:00 AM	+Julia Smerko by ELG
Oct. 21 Fri.	10:00 AM	+Helen Capar by Peter Opar
Oct. 22 Sat.	10:00 AM	+George Mocharko by Joseph Stone

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Oct. 23 Sun.	8:00 AM	Intention of Parishioners
	10:30 AM	+Deceased Members of Epiphany Men’s Club

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – October 23, 2016

Oct. 23 Sun.	8:00 AM	C. Susco (L), J. Cooke, T. Hughes, J. O’Leary
	10:30 AM	T. Clark (L), James Hughes, M. Noyes

USHER SCHEDULE – October 23, 2016

Oct. 23 Sun.	8:00 AM	T. Ryan (L), J. Fedorko, K. Koshute
	10:30 AM	T. Fazio (L), E. Gubanich, M. Kernich

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.

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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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 November 1, 2016 and will be put towards the P³ program to **feed hungry children in our area.**

Bring any of the following food items to the Parish Center:

- 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)

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Collection. Bishop Kurt has ordered a special collection be taken in all parishes and missions of the Eparchy of Passaic today for the relief of damage and personal injury from the effects of the hurricane. As the bishop noted, the track of the hurricane seemed to follow the parishes of the Eparchy of Passaic and its' people: Saint Basil, Miami; Our Lady of the Sign, Coconut Creek; Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Ft. Pierce; Holy Dormition, Ormond Beach; Saint Nicholas, Orlando; and Blessed Basil Hopko mission, Myrtle Beach, SC. Please use the envelopes provided and write your name and your

envelope number on the envelope for the counters.

Bishop's Appeal 2016. The Bishop's Appeal 2016 has begun in parishes of the eparchy. You should have received your packets in the mail directly from the eparchy. If you have not received your packet in the mail, please notify the parish office. The parish goal for the church is \$19,800 as last year. Also, as last year if the parish reaches the goal it will receive a reversion of 40% of donations sent to the chancery. Please prayerfully consider the needs of the Eparchy presented such as parish revitalization, assistance to the seminary in Uzhorod, deacon formation, education of seminarians, Eastern Catholic Formation, parochial family events, digital outreach, youth events, and parish support, and give as you are able as a good steward of God's gifts entrusted to you. Through your generosity the parish reversions from recent Appeals given back to Epiphany parish have provided for necessary repairs and maintenance. The 2014 reversion, along with the Festival Raffle and individual gifts allowed us to replace the over 30 year old roof of the chapel. The reversion from the Bishop's Appeal 2015 is \$7,932.40 which is dedicated funds for the replacement of the Parish Center boiler. Added to the reversion, \$3,841.00 has been donated by parishioners toward the replacement of the boiler in the Parish Center. The festival raffle report totals are not yet available. The latest estimate for a new boiler is \$45,257.00.

Sunday of the Fathers

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Year of Mercy
- Holy Door is open. Special Indulgences possible
- Byzantine Spirituality
- Special Collection
- SOR October Food Drive
- BCY Halloween Party-Oct. 30th
- Festival Wrap-up Meeting-Nov. 10th
- EMC Awards Club Raffle
- Wedding Anniversary-November 12th
- Special Collection—second week
- Bishop's Appeal

EMC BINGO

10/18/16 Team A

10/25/16 Team B

11/01/16 Team C

11/08/16 Team D

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

October 16, 2016

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations—October 2, 2016

Adults	\$3065.00
Children	\$10.20
Building Fund	\$544.00
School of Religion	\$66.00
Candles	\$107.75
Holy Days	\$75.00
BCY	\$5.00
Hurricane Relief	\$20.00
<u>St. Nicholas</u>	<u>\$.25</u>
TOTAL	\$3,893.20

“In generous spirit pay homage to the Lord...and He will give back to you sevenfold.”
(Sirach 35:7-10)

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, Luke Kolar, and Fr. Conan Timoney, Pastor of Patronage of the Mother of God, Baltimore.

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: Joseph and Patricia Fedorko, Mary Katherine Ferrari & family, Carol Ferson, Jeffrey Ferson, Steven and Andrea Fezuk & family, John Figel, Lana Ford, and from the Mission, Daniel and Sheila Hakun.

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. The epistle appointed for this Sunday, the Sunday of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council, is the epistle to the Hebrews, which, Scripture scholars say, is really a sermon that was used as a letter. The sacred author writes that the Old Testament sacrifices of animals at the Temple as sin offerings have been fulfilled in the sacrifice of Jesus the God-man. As a result, the baptized follow Jesus by joining their sacrifices of worship and service to the Great Sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. The concluding verse for the reading today is, “Through Him then let us continually offer God a sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that confess His name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.” We baptized disciples of Jesus Christ can use the Spiritual Works of Mercy as a guide to offering the sacrifice of sharing with those in need and of doing good since God is pleased

by these sacrifices. At the same time we must not neglect the Spiritual Works of Mercy for by so doing our worship will be a sacrifice of praise.

Lamp and Light. Epiphany Bible Study will begin this Wednesday, October 19th at 7:30 PM. In traditional Bible interpretation there are two basic “senses” of the Scripture texts. The first is the literal or historical sense, the sense of the words themselves or what is expressed by the human authors (the Bible books have two authors, the human author and the Holy Spirit-Who is the chief author). This is the sense the human author intended and the Divine Author, as well. The literal sense is the meaning of the text in its historical context, or the plain sense of the words of the obvious sense. The other sense of Scripture is the *Sensus Plenior* (the more full or complete sense), the deeper meaning which the Divine Author, the Holy Spirit intends. For example, the Old Testament prophets might be referring to some historical event happening in their lifetimes but the more full sense that the Holy Spirit intends is that it is a prophesy about the future coming of the Messiah and, beyond that, the Second coming at the end of the world. These “Fuller Senses” are the Allegorical Sense, the Moral Sense, and the Anagogical or Future Sense. This is how the Church Fathers and Mothers of East and West studied, comprehended and preached or explained the full meaning of the Bible texts. As King David, inspired by the Holy Spirit wrote, “Your word, O Lord, is a Lamp to my feet and a Light to my path” (Psalm 119:105).

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Websites. The parish website for the church www.eolbcc.org has been restored. The features of the website can be accessed as

before. The mission website remains www.eolbccmission.org.

2016 EMC Awards Club Drawing.

Drawings for the 2016 Awards Club sponsored by Epiphany Men’s Club will begin Sunday, October 16th. There will be nine drawings for \$50. The tenth and final drawing will take place on Sunday, December 18th, for \$1000. For tickets, contact a member of the Epiphany Men’s Club.

Practice for Halloween! The BCY is once again sponsoring the annual Halloween Party for the children of Epiphany parish, this year on Sunday, October 30, giving children a chance to “practice” in their costumes! The Party will last from 11:45 AM to 1:15 PM in the Chapel Basement, and the BCY has *prepared new games and events* for all the children of the parish! 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 28th, by emailing BCY Advisor Chris Braunlich at c.braunlich@att.net or calling him at 703-922-6768 to insure enough goodies for all!

Epiphany Festival Wrap-up Meeting. The wrap-up meeting for the 2016 Epiphany Slavic American Festival will be held on Thursday evening, November 10, 2016 at 7:30 pm. All festival workers, and in particular the chairpersons, are invited to hear final statistics and event reports. In thanks for everyone’s help and hard work, refreshments will also be available. Please RSVP to the Parish Office so we have a count for the food. Thanks to everyone for a “job well-done” this past year, and PLEASE remember to volunteer again for next year’s festival on September 10, 2017! Jack Figel, Festival Chairman.

ECF-SOR. Catechism of the Catholic Church. (taken from the Prologue)

II. HANDING ON THE FAITH:

CATECHESIS

4 Quite early on, the name *catechesis* was given to the totality of the Church's efforts to make disciples, to help men believe that Jesus is the Son of God so that believing they might have life in his name, and to educate and instruct them in this life, thus building up the body of Christ.⁷

5 "Catechesis is **an education in the faith of children, young people and adults** which includes especially the teaching of Christian doctrine imparted, generally speaking, in an organic and systematic way, with a view to initiating the hearers into the fullness of Christian life."⁸

6 While not being formally identified with them, catechesis is built on a certain number of elements of the Church's pastoral mission which have a catechetical aspect, that prepare for catechesis, or spring from it. They are: the initial proclamation of the Gospel or missionary preaching to arouse faith; examination of the reasons for belief; experience of Christian living; celebration of the sacraments; integration into the ecclesial community; and apostolic and missionary witness.⁹

7 "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life. Not only her geographical extension and numerical increase, but even more her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis."

Faith is not a light which scatters all the darkness but a lamp which guides our steps in the night and suffices for the journey.....Pope Francis