



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church
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Christ is baptized! In the Jordan!	January 20, 2019	Christos Krestisj! Vo Jordani!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

THIRTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jan. 20 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
 10:30 AM Anniversary of Ordination Deacon El Pekarik by
Sally Pekarik

Thirty-sixth week after Pentecost

Jan. 22 Tues . 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on John Mitsak by
Wegman Family

Jan. 25 Fri. 10:00 AM +John Robert Ford by Nick & Kathy Mikovitz

Jan. 26 Sat. 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Amelia Rose Wegman
by Grandma & Grandpa Wegman

THIRTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jan. 27 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
 10:30 AM +Daniel Green by Sally Green

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – January 27, 2019

Jan. 27 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Cooke (L), J. Hughes, T. Hughes, P. O'Leary
 10:30 AM J. Naccash (L), J. Cassella, G. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – January 27, 2019

Jan. 27 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Susco (L), K. Koshute, T. Susco
 10:30 AM D. Semanco (L), E. Gubanich, J. Kepick

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Bishop's Appeal Update
- Seminary Applications
- Nine Days for Life
- Witness for Life
- Eikona Studios
- 2019 Calendars
- Parish Office Schedule
- Nut Roll Baking
- Prime Time Catholics
- Precision Doors
- Consecration Plaque

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations – January 13, 2019

Adults	\$503.00
Initial Offering	\$15.00
Building Fund	\$195.00
Candles	\$61.25
Holy Days	\$175.00
<u>St. Nicholas Fund</u>	<u>\$1.00</u>
TOTAL	\$955.25

"Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth." (Dt. 8:18)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Louis Shanks, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira, Irene Markovich, George Semonick, Mary Gaydos, Betty Markovchick, Jeffrey Sesok, John Vernoski, and Marge Rusnak. 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, Fr. Conan Timoney, Eileen Gray, James Seman, Fr. Lee Gross, Mike Shuster, James Williamson, Greg Starr, Florence Kunder, Ed Livingston, Richard Doering, Julia Zdynak, Mary Catharine Bishop, Tim Berty, Joyce Rose, Ethan Augliera, Krista Brazzill, and Jean Figel.

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 Parishioners." The faithful who attend the Divine Liturgy for the parishioners who 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: Gerald Schalestock, Mark and Cathy Schott, Donald and Deborah Scipioni & family, Damon Seman & family, Stephen Seman, David Semanco, George and Janet Semonick, and from the Mission, Sheri and Edward Fogle & family.

Holy Water. Holy Water, blessed on the feast of Theophany, is available in the narthex.

Fast Days. Fridays are days of penance. Every Sunday is the weekly observance of Pascha or Easter and likewise every Friday is the weekly commemoration of Great Friday. For the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church in the United States the fast prescribed on a day of penance is simple abstinence from meat, or the substitution of an equivalent penitential work or charitable work.

Day of Prayer and Penance. Annually, January 22 is appointed as a day of prayer and penance on the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*, January 22, 1973, which legalized abortion. As individuals, Catholics are called to pray, fast, and give alms on this day or on January 23 when January 22 occurs on a Sunday.

Calendars for 2019. Church Calendars for 2019 are available in the narthex. The church calendars provide the Scripture readings for every day, the holydays and their rankings, and the fasting times.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Schedule. In observance of Martin Luther King Day, January 21st, the Parish Office will be closed tomorrow. Office hours will resume Tuesday, January 22nd.

EMC Breakfast. Epiphany Men's Club will host breakfast this morning in the parish center between Divine Liturgies. All are invited to attend. EMC sponsors a breakfast every third Sunday of the month.

Eikona Studios. Christine Uveyges Loya, the principle of Eikona Studios Iconography was able to install the Crucifixion icon Wednesday, January 16th. The three icons, the Dormition, the Resurrection and the Crucifixion were blessed by the bishops concelebrating the March for Life Divine Liturgy at Epiphany Friday morning.

Church Consecration. The plaque commemorating the consecration of the Holy Table and the church of Epiphany of our Lord, November 20, 2011 and the names of the members of the Parish Planning Committee is in

fabrication by W & E Baum, Freehold, NJ. The estimated date is the beginning of February 2019.

Bingo. The profit from Epiphany Men's Club Bingo must go to Epiphany Building Fund according to the provisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia with Epiphany Men's Club. Volunteers will be needed on Tuesdays of 2019 for next year's EMC Bingo. Consider volunteering to work on one of four teams that cover Bingo. It means you would work one Tuesday per month. Twelve Bingos a year too much to commit to right now? Consider instead adding your name as a substitute worker, a very valuable help when a worker from one of the four teams cannot work or when there is a larger than usual number of patrons expected for a special occasion or a high jackpot.

Church Narthex Doors. Concern has been expressed regarding the cold air coming through the space between the front doors of the church. As you may recall, Precision Doors has repaired the closers on all the doors and replaced the side door of the church. Part of the plan is to replace the weather stripping on the front doors because it was too thick and wide causing the doors to be difficult to open or close properly. Precision Doors removed the existing weather stripping with the plan to order the correct size and replace it. We are waiting for the correct size to become available.

Nut Roll Baking. Nut Roll Baking Day is just around the corner! We'll be making all three varieties this session -- nut, poppy seed, and apricot rolls. Please mark your calendars for Saturday **February 23** and plan to join us **beginning around 7am** at the parish hall. We will definitely need rollers who can start early, but there are lots of jobs to be done throughout the day, so please arrive when convenient and stay as long as you are able! We provide on-the-job training for the following tasks: *Roller* Weigher; Dough, Prep, Mixer/Baker, Filling/Dough (outside kitchen), Butter/Cooling, Baggers, Clean Up crew. Please contact Nancy Soyka (nsoyka@msn.com) or Kyra Gerardi (gerardisix@gmail.com) with any questions and to let us know when you can volunteer as well as your preferred job. Thanks in advance for sharing you time and talent to ensure we continue this treasured ethnic culinary tradition!

-Glory to Jesus Christ!

Nancy and Kyra

EPARCHIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal 2018. The Bishop's Appeal 2018 began October 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018. Parishioners should have received Pledge Cards and a letter from the bishop in the mail. The goal for Epiphany church Annandale is \$19,800, the same as last year. As of December 31, 2018, the report from the Eparchy of Passaic lists that parishioners of Epiphany have pledged \$18,265. As in previous years, when a parish meets its goal it will receive 40% reversion. Pledges and donations can still be made during 2019 for the 2018 Appeal although the amounts must be claimed by the donors for the 2019 tax year. If you have not yet pledged please consider doing so in order that our parish might receive its 40% reversion, especially since we are so close to our assigned goal. The reversion will be used to fund the list of repairs: the parking lot, foundation waterproofing, and planning for chapel a/c obsolescence.

Seminary Applications. Father Michael Kerestes, the vocations director of the Eparchy of Passaic, announced that applications for acceptance as a seminarian of the Eparchy of Passaic for the Fall 2019-Spring 2020 academic year must be completed by January 31, 2019. Any men in the parish who feel called by God to a vocation must contact the Vocations Director as soon as possible to ensure completing the multi-step application process, procure the necessary references, and complete the required pre-admissions testing procedures. Father Kerestes further asks all parishioners to pray for the seminarians of the Eparchy of Passaic at our seminary and also to pray for vocations to the priesthood to respond generously and sacrificially to God's call

Prime Time Single Catholics (PTSC) serves single Catholics 40 and over. Enjoy these upcoming events with us: lunch (every Thursday); Mass at the Church of the Nativity, followed by lunch (January 27); Institute of Catholic Culture dinner and talk at St. Agnes Church (February 10); bowling in Alexandria (February 16); free-admission tour of Mount Vernon (February 18, Presidents' Day); dinner in Shirlington (February 24). RSVP to Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com. For details, see our website: bit.ly/ptsc.

The Witness for Life. The annual March for Life was held last Friday, January 18 and the Vigil for Life took place at the Crypt Church of the Basilica

of the National Shrine the night before the March, Thursday, January 17. Bishop Kurt led the Byzantine night prayer, Compline, along with Bishop Milan Lach, S.J., Bishop of Parma, and Bishop Mark Bartchak, Bishop of Altoona-Johnstown, PA who was also the homilist. Responses were led by the Slava Men's Chorus and Epiphany cantors. In his homily Bishop Bartchak commented on the excellence of the Slava Men's Chorus. The van rented by Epiphany was filled with parishioners to assist at Compline. The Vigil concluded prior to the March with Divine Liturgy at Epiphany concelebrated by Bishop Burnette and Bishop Lach, Father John Basarab and Father Scott Boghossian, the Eparchial Director of the Respect Life Office while Deacon Elmer Pekarik of Epiphany served as deacon and Lector Jack Figel, Sacristan Joseph Stone and Peter Wingerter were servers. Bishop Kurt blessed the Compass Point icons on the cornice of the nave during the Divine Liturgy. Thank you to the donors of those icons of the pivotal mysteries of our salvation. Epiphany cantors led the responses. Following Divine Liturgy brunch was provided by Epiphany in the Parish Center and then participants left for the March. Bishop Kurt conveyed to Father John deep thanks for the witness to the sanctity of life our parish offers each year. God, who gives life, will reward each of you one hundred-fold for your efforts.

Nine Days for Life. The Catholic Church in the United States prays a novena of nine days of prayer for life from tomorrow, January 14th to January 22nd, the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. Over 100,000 people are signed up at the USCCB web site to receive the daily prayers and reflections. While novenas are a Latin Church form of prayer, Byzantine Catholics who desire to join their brother and sisters Catholics in the United States may do so by praying the Akathist Hymn to the Mother of God daily for the nine days. The Akathist Hymn is a poetic composition about the incarnation of God the Son in the womb of the Blessed Virgin at the moment of conception in her womb at the Annunciation. If you do not have a copy of the Akathist Hymn handy, please go the publications page of www.metropolitancantorinstitute.org. You may also pick up copies of Compline for Life which was used at the Vigil for Life at the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine by Bishop Kurt Burnette and the other bishops, the priests, deacons and Christ's Faithful, and pray that as a night prayer during the Novena for Life.

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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 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
9:30 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

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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<http://www.eolbcc.org>

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