



ΕΠΙΦΑΝΙΑ OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!	January 27, 2019	Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

THIRTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

Thirty-seventh week after Pentecost

Jan. 28 Mon . 10:00 AM +Joseph and +Michael Koshuta
 by Monica Koshuta & family

FEAST OF THE THREE HOLY HIERARCHS

Jan. 30 Wed. 10:00 AM +John Lichvarcik by Elizabeth Basarab

VIGIL OF THE ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON AND ANNA

Feb. 01 Fri. 7:30 PM Intention of Parishioners

ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON AND ANNA

Feb. 02 Sat. 10:00 AM +John Soyka by Children & Grandchildren

SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS

Feb. 03 Sun. 8:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Jane Kuklish
 by John Kuklish
 10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – February 3, 2019

Feb. 03 Sun. 8:00 AM T. Hughes (L), J. Hughes, J. Lampl, J. O'Leary
 10:30 AM J. Naccash (L), J. Cassella, G. Naccash

USHER SCHEDULE – February 3, 2019

Feb. 03 Sun. 8:00 AM J. Nashwinter (L), T. Ryan, B. Wargo
 10:30 AM T. Fazio (L), M. Bell, K. Kepick

COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Bishop's Appeal Update
- Seminary Applications
- Inquirer's Classes
- Cantors Course
- Candles Blessed
- Burst Water Pipe
- Bingo Cancellation
- Nut Roll Baking
- No February ELG Meeting
- Prime Time Catholics
- Precision Doors
- Super Bowl Bash
- Anniversary Pilgrimage
- Prime Time Catholics

EMC BINGO

01/29/19 Team D
 02/05/19 Team A
 02/12/19 Team B
 02/19/19 Team C

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations – January 20, 2019

Adults	\$2900.00
Children	\$4.25
Initial Offering	\$30.00
Building Fund	\$1965.00
School of Religion	\$42.00
Candles	\$128.00
Holy Days	\$45.00
Christmas	\$500.00
BCY	\$10.00
ECL	\$32.00
St. Nicholas Fund	\$1017.00
TOTAL	\$6573.25

"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

der, Ed Livingston, Richard Doering, Julia Zdynak, Mary Catharine Bishop, Tim Berty, Gray, James Seman, Fr. Lee Gross, Mike Shuster, James Williamson, Greg Starr, Florence 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 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: Andrew and Luann Serafin & family, Joseph and Linda Serafin, Greg and Laura Shepherd & family, David Sikora, Mark Sikora, Mary Sikora, Michael and Amy Sikora & family, and from the Mission, Andrew Haba.

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.

Cantors Courses. The Metropolitan Cantor Institute at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary, Pittsburgh, PA announces three MCI Online classes that are free and can be taken at any time:

- Introduction to Liturgy - the basics of our liturgical services.
 - Introduction to Church Singing - the cantor's role, the fundamentals of singing, musical notation, and how to lead singing in church (free to members of parishes in the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Church; \$75 for others).
 - Introduction to the Typikon - how to set up the hymns and readings of the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and weekdays throughout the year
- All cantors are urged to take these three courses; Introduction to Church Singing is quite informative, and is the prerequisite for later singing courses.

The following tuition required courses are now in progress, and it's not too late to join:

- Reading in Church - practice in using our melodies for Epistle and Old Testament readings; singing the prokeimenon and Alleluia verses (\$40)
- The Liturgical Year - leading the Divine Liturgy on the fixed feasts of the liturgical year; also cover the minor fasts (requires The Divine Liturgy)
- Services of the Great Fast and Holy Week - the pre-Lenten and Lenten Sundays, Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, Lenten Vespers, and Holy Week services (requires The Office of Vespers)

If you are a cantor and haven't taken ANY of these courses, the MCI Director Deacon Jeff Mierzejewski recommends you try the free classes, and if you like them, sign up for the class on the Divine Liturgy in March.

For more information and signup details:

https://mci.archpitt.org/classes/?fbclid=IwAR0bylyeHYoSPwkhTDMu1KQ5PYb8_YgdCqcQrU2Xp9B4ZgP-3-YwDKnndyY

Meeting with the Lord. The Epiphany or manifestation of God to the human race is commemorated in Christmas, Theophany, and the Meeting with Simeon and Anna. The Meeting or Encounter took place forty days after Christmas, on February 2nd, and is the completion of the celebration of Christmas. God revealed to Moses on Mt. Sinai that the first-born of every human and animal must be dedicated to God as the recognition how God had freed the Chosen People from bondage to Egypt. Once offered, the first-born could be redeemed back by the parents of a boy by offering the life in sacrifice of specified animals. It is at this ceremony that the infant Messiah meets His people, the prophets St. Simeon and St. Anna, in the temple. As such it is the culmination of the Old Testament and the meeting with the New. Because of the words of St. Simeon at this meeting, "A light of revelation to the Gentiles" the custom of blessing candles was instituted on this feast.

Three Holy Hierarchs. Three great saints who were bishops, St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory the Theologian, and St. John Chrysostom all have feast days in January. In the capital city of a Christian empire like Constantinople, the citizens' of the 11th Century dispute was to propose one saint as greater than the other two. St. Basil was the writer of the Rule of Basil ordering coenobitic (community) monastic life, courageously stood up to civil authorities hostile to the Church, fought heresies and established the Basilian—the New City to help those in need. St. Gregory the Theologian also fought heresy—when he was named archbishop of Constantinople the churches were in the hands of the heretical Arians and St. Gregory had to have Liturgy in a house church. When he retired, the entire capital had only a few Arians left. St. John Chrysostom was the great preacher and explainer of Sacred Scripture, fearless in applying the Lord's

teaching even to emperors and empresses, advocate for Confession and father of the poor. The three saints appeared to Bishop John of Euchaita and told him that they are all equal before God. Bishop John selected January 30th as a common January feast for the three Holy Hierarchs.

Liturgy Conclusion. Bishop Kurt Burnette has directed pastors to conclude the Divine Liturgy with the prayer to the Mother of God, Pod Tvoju Milost' – Beneath your Compassion which is on page 454 in the People's Book. With the exception of the Salutation of the archangel Gabriel in the gospel of St. Luke, this is the oldest prayer to the Theotokos. It is found on a papyrus in Egypt dated to A.D. 250 which indicates that it was in use even before that date. Bishop Kurt is responding to the direction of Pope Francis to pray either the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel or the prayer Sub tuum praesidium (Beneath your protection in Latin).

Condolences. We offer our condolences to the family of Bertha Walak who passed away in Pittsburgh, PA, Tuesday, January 22nd. The funeral was Saturday, January 26 at Ss. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church in Braddock, PA. Interment was at Braddock Hill Cemetery. May God grant His departed servant, Bertha, peaceful repose. Vičnaja jej pamjat'.

Inquirers Class. Beginning Sunday, February 3rd, Deacon Peter will be conducting a Class of Inquiry into the Byzantine Church. This class is for any person interested to learn more about the Faith according to the Byzantine approach to doctrine, liturgy and spirituality. This is also intended for any and all relatives, spouses, friends and or co workers of non Byzantine tradition. The class will be a systematized presentation of doctrine, worship and morality using inquirer material from God With Us Publications, the publishing department of the Eastern Catholic Eparchial Directors. Classes will be of one hour duration and located in the lower level of the church (not the chapel). Initial class will be Sunday February 3rd at 12:30 PM. Subsequent classes will be both at 12:30 Saturdays 2-9, 2-16 and 2-23 and also Sundays 2-10, 2-17 and 2-24. The same material will be offered both on Saturday and then the next day on Sunday for those who can attend only on one or the other day. Please feel free to contact Deacon Peter with any questions you may have.

Holiday and Candles Blessed. The feast of the Meeting of our Lord with Ss. Simeon and Anna is a solemn holyday. Candles will be blessed.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Burst Pipe (dèjàvu). Tuesday, January 22nd, a frozen pipe in the ceiling of the parish center kitchen burst in the afternoon. Because the breakers began popping as water cascaded over the breaker boxes in the boiler room, a plumber, the fire department, and an electrician were called. The plumber was able to repair the damaged pipe and we were able to turn on the water for the building. The fire department walked through the building checking for anything smoldering. Although the lights were on, the electrician could not guarantee the safety of the electrical boxes. The electrician will provide a cost proposal to replace the boxes.

Bingo. Bingo was cancelled this past Tuesday due to a burst pipe in the kitchen of the parish center. A plumber was able to replace the pipe but not before the time to notify Bingo players and workers. In addition, there was damage to the breaker boxes in the boiler room. Neither the electrician or the fire department could guarantee the safety of the players and workers.

Church Narthex Doors. A Precision Doors representative was at Epiphany on Thursday, January 24th, to measure the main entrance doors of the church for weather stripping to fit the doors. We were told that it is an uncommon size and will have to be ordered. The doors were custom made according to Kerns Architects special designs.

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 your time and talent to ensure we continue this treasured ethnic culinary tradition!

-Glory to Jesus Christ!

Nancy and Kyra

ELG. There will be NO February meeting of Epiphany Ladies Guild. The next meeting will be Monday, March 4th. Volunteer sign up for Lenten Dinners will begin February 3rd.

Super Bowl Bash. EMC will host the annual Super Bowl Party next Sunday, February 3rd in the parish

center, starting at 5:30 PM. Games, food and fun for all!

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.

Golden Anniversary Pilgrimage. The Eparchy of Parma is observing the fiftieth anniversary of its canonical establishment in 1969 with a Pilgrimage to Rome May 13-22, led by Bishop Milan Lach, S.J., Bishop of Parma. Highlights include a Papal Audience, tour of the Vatican Museums, and visit to the Byzantine Monastery of Grottaferrata and the old

printing presses there that once printed all the typical editions of the Ruthenian Recension in Church Slavonic (all our vernacular translations are made from these typical editions). Bishop Milan will offer the Divine Liturgy for the pilgrims at the tomb of St. Peter, at the Russian College chapel of St. Anthony the Abbot (Blessed Theodore Romzha lived at the Russian College and worshiped at St. Anthony as a seminarian), and at the Basilica of St. Mary Major where Pope Adrian enthroned the Church Slavonic Gospel Book translated by St. Cyril and where St. Cyril offered the very first Divine Liturgy in Church Slavonic. Information brochures are available in the parish office or go to www.parma.org/romepilgrimage.

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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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