

Kunder, Tim Berty, Joyce Rose, Ethan Augliera, Jim Bacigalupi, Katherine Sikoryak, Margaret Hospodar, and Tom Pavik.

Prayers for our Parishioners. The particular law of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church directs that the pastor is to celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish entrusted to him on Sundays and days of precept [holydays 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: Anthony and Mary Fazio, Joseph Fedorko, Mary Katherine Ferrari & family, Carol Ferson, Jeffrey Ferson, Steven and Andrea Fezuk & family, John Figel & family, and from the Mission, Elizabeth and Kevin Keyes & family.

Suspension of Public Services. In his decree of March 31st, Bishop Kurt Burnette extended the suspension of public services in the Eparchy of Passaic through Thursday, April 30th. In his decree the bishop stated the following: "The suspension of public services includes services inside buildings and also outdoor services or "parking lot" services. All activities at a church that involve a physical gathering of parishioners or interaction with the public are also suspended. Bishop Kurt Burnette has dispensed all the people of the Eparchy of Passaic from any legal obligation to attend church services through April 30, 2020. Please keep in mind that Divine Law still requires us to keep the Lord's Day holy by prayer and by refraining from unnecessary work. The bishop cannot dispense Divine Law.

Fasting Regulations. Wednesday and Saturday of Great Week are days of abstinence, that is, no meat products are permitted. Great Friday is a day of strict fast, that is, meat and dairy products are not consumed.

Live Streaming. In response to the spiritual needs the Faithful of Epiphany, the 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy for Palm Sunday will be live streamed, and the Divine Liturgy of Easter will be live streamed, visit <https://eolbcc.org/live/>. Due to password issues last Sunday, March 29th, the liturgy did not begin at the scheduled time. Having corrected that hiccup and adjusted for the learning curve, the liturgies for Palm Sunday and Easter will be smoother. We do wish to thank Brian Jesse, the Epiphany website builder and webmaster, for his infinite patience.

Pussy Willows. Palms and willows will be blessed today.

Guarding the Tomb. Bishop Burnette has suspended all church services through April 30th.

Resurrection Candles. Resurrection Candles will not be available for Easter 2020. Please refer to **Suspension of Public Services** above.

Praying at home together. Although we are unable to pray together in church, we might consider praying these prayers in our homes so that we can be united in praying the same prayers. These are available on the web site of the Metropolitan Cantor Institute of the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh, <https://mci.archpitt.org>

1. On Sunday, in place of the Divine Liturgy, The Typica, arranged as a Reader Service, is available on the web site of the Metropolitan Cantor Institute. Originally developed as a Presanctified Liturgy for the Holy Land it was

brought to Constantinople and became part of the Divine Office. In Church Slavonic it is Obidnica (The Noon Service). On the Metropolitan Cantor Institute web site it uses the Church Slavonic name when it is used within the Divine Liturgy to refer to Psalm 102, Psalm 145, and the Beatitudes as Izobrazitel'naja. However, as a separate service it is the Noon Service. It is appropriate to pray this on Sundays when one cannot attend because of approved reasons the Divine Liturgy in church on Sundays.

2. Palm Sunday evening Vespers presented as a Reader's Service (without a priest to offer the prayers and give the blessings).
3. Great Wednesday Evening the Moleben for the Sick is offered to be prayed in place of the Sacrament of Holy Oil and Anointing.
4. There are links for the services of Great Thursday and Great Friday.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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Executive Order. Governor Ralph Northam issued Executive Order #55 on March 30th. This stay at home order allowed exception to visit

one's house of worship, but only ten persons or less can be in the house of worship at any time. Previously, the Governor allowed the possibility of drive-through or drive-in worship. However, with this Executive Order 55 these now are prohibited. The Order is in effect until June 10th.

Parish Office Schedule and Safety Protocols.

In accordance with Bishop Kurt Burnette's and Governor Northam's most recent Order, the office hours for Epiphany of our Lord has been amended to the following: Monday through Friday - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Jamie, the administrative assistant, will cover the office during those hours. Lucie, the financial assistant, has elected to work from home two days a week. Lucie will be in the office Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Given that response to this crisis is so fluid and schedules can change so quickly, please call the office before venturing out. Parish staff has established safety and health protocols at the parish office, as well. If you have business at the office, please use the new doorbell. We will respond through the intercom after verifying your presence at the door. No one will come into the office from outside. If your visit includes an exchange of goods, please leave them on the door step. We will attend to them. We ask this because there is not enough room in the office to observe the mandate to social distance.

Financial Report. The yearly financial report has been prepared and is available in the parish office if anyone would like a copy. In addition, it will be included in the first bulletin that is produced when the churches are reopened.

Book Store. The parish book store will be closed throughout the suspension of all activity through Sunday, April 30th. After April 30th the Bishop will determine whether the church and

its activities remain closed or will reopen if it is deemed safe by the civil authorities in conjunction with their medical advisors.

Conferencing Catechesis. In his decree March 16th, Bishop Kurt Burnette suspended religious education classes for adults and children except for classes held on line by using a conference calling service such as Zoom for each class. Catechists are asked to please check with parents for their approval.

Save the Date: EMC Cookout/Campout. The campout, sponsored by Epiphany Men's Club, is scheduled for May 30 and 31. There will be fun and games for all ages. Opening will be the burning of blessed palms and pussy willows at 5PM. Setup of campsites can start as early as 3PM. The moon bounce will be in place by 3PM. Look forward to future updates concerning this family event. If you have questions or would like to join in the preparations please contact Jeff Nashwinter at jnash2100@gmail.com or Thom Soyka at soykat@msn.com.

EMC Spring Awards Club. The winner of the second Awards Club week is David Andrejcak, #089. The next drawing will take place today, Sunday, April 5th.

EMC Easter Meats. Easter Meats sales are suspended. If you have already submitted your order with John Kuklish, your order will be kept safe in the parish center walk-in freezer until the churches are reopened. You will be contacted at that time with pick up instructions.

ELG Event Volunteers. Due to the extended suspension of all liturgical and social activities by Bishop Kurt through April 30th, including Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter.

Call to All for Ushering: Epiphany has the need for additional ushers and is calling for volunteers, either on an individual basis or as a family. For those families with children it's preferred that they be at least high school age. We're hoping that having a family do the ushering would be a way to not only provide service to the parish community, but would also be a way to maintain the feeling of the family worshipping together. For anyone interested in ushering, either as an individual or part of a family, please contact Bob Wargo at 703-455-9324, evenings/weekends best, or via email at bob.wargo56@gmail.com. When responding be sure to leave your phone number. Thank you!

EPARCHIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal. The 2019 Bishop's Appeal goal for Epiphany church remains the same, \$19,800. Our parishioners have pledged \$19,431.84. Epiphany Ladies Guild has given a donation of \$3,000. The present total is \$19,802.34. Our parish has met and exceeded its goal. Therefore, we will receive a reversion of 40% of the \$19,800. Montgomery County Mission parishioners have pledged \$6,800.08, exceeding their goal of \$6,000. *We have not received the most recent totals for Epiphany or Montgomery County Mission because the Chancery offices are closed.*

Contributions On Line. The Eparchy of Passaic Finance Office announced that it has capability to accept on line contributions for the parishes. Parishioners will offer their weekly contribution and the finance office will send checks to the parishes.

Journey of our Lord into Jerusalem Sunday

COMING EVENTS

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Guarding the tomb - Suspended
- Pussy Willows
- Financial Report
- Book store sales Suspended
- Easter Meats Suspended
- EMC Bingo Suspended through 4/30
- EMC Cookout
- Ushers
- Bishop's Appeal – Over goal!

EMC BINGO

04/07/20 - Team B - No Bingo
 04/14/20 - Team C - No Bingo
 04/21/20 - Team D - No Bingo
 04/28/20 - Team A - No Bingo

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

April 5 2020

TITHING & GIVING

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| Adults | \$ |
| Building Fund | \$ |
| Candles | \$ |
| BCY | \$ |
| Flowers | \$ |
| School of Religion | \$ |
| Retired Priests | \$ |
| Retired Nuns | \$ |
| ECL | \$ |
| St. Nicholas Fund | \$ |
| Holy Water Bottles | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ |

Tithing & Giving. An accounting of the collective donations given since the suspension of all activities will be given next week, April 12th.

"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: Msgr. George Dobes, Michael Mikulak, Brent Mikulak, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Louis Shanks, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira, Irene Markovich, Mary Gaydos, Betty Markovchick, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, and Paul Vrabel. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O'Leary, Russell Plasha, Patricia Delfine, Rev. Joseph Jugan, Steven Goula, Eileen Gray, James Seman, Fr. Lee Gross, Mike Shuster, Greg Starr, Florence Kunder, Ed Livingston, Julia Zdynak, Mary Catharine Bishop, Krista Brazzill, Jean Figel, Doris Stender, June Parrell, Richard Ryaby, Kelly



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

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Very Rev. John G. Basarab - Pastor

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

April 5, 2020

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava Na Viki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

ENTRANCE OF THE LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Apr. 05 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Frank, Sr. and +Helen Polink by Frank Polink, Jr. & Valerie Sodor

GREAT AND HOLY WEEK

HOLY THURSDAY

Apr. 09 Thurs. 7:30 PM Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

Apr. 10 Fri. 7:30 PM Vespers of the Lord's Burial

HOLY SATURDAY – THE VIGIL OF EASTER

Apr. 11 Sat. 5:00 PM Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Apr. 12 Sun. 9:00 AM Easter Divine Liturgy

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – April 12, 2020

Apr. 12 Sun. 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

USHER SCHEDULE – April 12, 2020

Apr. 12 Sun. 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

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EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD Byzantine Catholic Church

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 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 face 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) at other scheduled times. 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 Parishioners who are seriously ill and those with life endangering medical conditions as well as those who are to undergo surgery should avail themselves Week to prepare for the observance of the Lord's Resurrection.

Anointing of the Sick – Parishioners who are seriously ill and those with life-threatening 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
Lucie Cantsilieris, 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.

Epiphany of our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

<http://www.eolbcc.org>

Epiphany of our Lord does not conduct pastoral business on the website email.

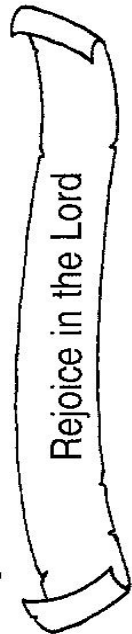
Saint Paul is writing to the church at Philippi, the first European church he established, a city in Greece that had many retired military living in it. This epistle is filled with exhortations to remain faithful despite the difficulties that they were experiencing. Saint Paul also is writing for them to put their faith into action, for them to follow the teachings of Christ and to imitate him.

The Holy Spirit, who is the true author of the epistle, encourages the Christians of Philippi to be filled with joy because despite the difficulties surrounding them, the Lord Jesus is even closer than the difficulties. The peace of God will guard them and support them. How does a Christian deal with the pressures of daily life? By the peace that comes from faith that the Lord is near, by refusing to worry, by persevering in prayer and by living truthfully, justly, with purity, with graciousness, that is, like Christ, is the way to deal with these pressures.

The holy fathers who appointed this epistle reading for Palm Sunday must have done so because the exhortation to “Rejoice” echoes the same word written by the prophet Zechariah, “Rejoice, heartily, O daughter Zion, shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem. Behold, your king comes to you seated on a donkey.”

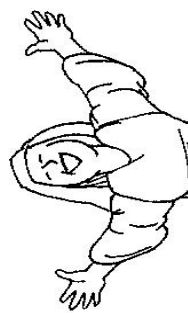
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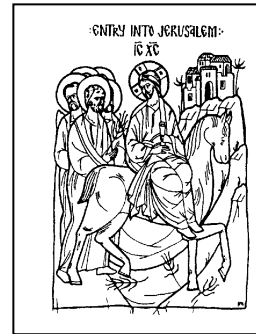
The apostle Paul gave valuable instructions to the Christians at Philippi about how they should live.

Use the musical note key to decode one of his instructions.



Meditation on Today’s Readings

Flowery Sunday/Palm Sunday



“Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the king of Israel.”
John 12:1-17

Each of the four gospels contains a narrative of the festive entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem before His crucifixion and being acclaimed as Messiah by the people. For the Divine Liturgy on Palm Sunday the holy fathers have appointed the account according to the evangelist John. While the account recorded in the gospel according to John is sparse in detail it does give the eyewitness testimony of the dinner in the house of Martha, Mary and

Lazarus of the Saturday evening before the entrance and thereby reveals the motive for the plot against Jesus, namely, the raising of His friend, Lazarus, from the dead.

Although Jesus has been predicting His voluntary death during the forty days Jesus, the Twelve and the disciples have journeyed from Mount Tabor, it seems that it is only Mary of Bethany who understands the words Jesus has spoken. She recognizes that for her brother to live Jesus will die. Therefore, she anoints His feet with spikenard valued at almost a year’s wage. The comment that the house was filled with the odor is surely the testimony of one present, John himself. Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus feet—she does not anoint His head like the prophets of the Old Testament did when they made someone a king because she knows His identity and she cannot make Him what He already is. By anointing His feet she declares what He already is—King and Messiah—and at the same time, Jesus explains what He knows is Mary’s other motive, she is preparing His body for burial following the death that is sure to come because Jesus has raised her brother from the dead.

From His birth in Bethlehem there have been those committed to and directly opposed to Jesus. The dinner highlights it with the complaint of Judas. This is followed by the detail about the plot to put Jesus to death contrasted with the triumphant entrance into Jerusalem.

The people take branches and welcome Jesus as the conqueror over death with the Biblical prayer “Hosanna” that is, Save us, we pray, and the words from the psalm “Blessed is He”.

We disciples of Jesus have asked Him to raise us from death and give us immortal life with Him. We accept that He must die to give us what we ask. Those who oppose Jesus may want to hurt the friends of Jesus, also. We must always try to invite them to a change of mind. We must be on guard against temptations to deny or betray our Lord. Greater people than we were tested in these events and so shall we. Let us pray for grace to remain firm in our profession of faith, in hope, and in love until our final breath.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near.

Philippians 4:4-9

DA ISPOLŇATSJA – MAY OUR MOUTH BE FILLED

Da ispolňatsja usta naša chvalenija tvojego Hospodi, jako da pojem slavu tvoju, jako spodobil jesi nas pričastitsja svjatym tvojim, božestvennym, bezsmertnym, i životvor'ascim Tajnam; utverdi nas Bože vo Tvojej svjatyni vsja dni poučatisja pravd'i Tvojej. Alliluja.

ONLY-BEGOTTEN SON – JEDINORODNYJ SYNE

Slava Otcu i Synu i Svjatomu Duchu, i nyňi i prisno, i vo v'iki v'ikov. Amiň. Jedinorodnyj Syne, i Slove Božij, bezsmerten syj, i izvolivyj spasenija našeho radi voplotitisja ot svjatyja Bohorodicy i prisno-d'ivy Mariji, nepreložno vočelov'ičivysja, raspnysja že, Christe Bože, smertiju smert' popravij, jedin syj Svjatyja Trojcy, sproslavl'ajemyj Otcu i Svjatomu Duchu, spasi nas.

HOLY GOD – SVJATYJ BOZE

Svjatyj Bože, svjatyj kr'ipkij, svjatyj bezsmertnyj, pomiluj nas. Slava Otcu i Synu, i Svjatomu Duchu, i nyňi i prisno, i vo v'iki v'ikov. Amin.

IŽE CHERUVIMY – LET US WHO MYSTICALLY

Iže Cheruvimy tajno obrazujušče, i životvorjasšcej Trojc'i trisvjatuju p'isň prinosjasšče, vsjakuju nyňi zitejskoje otveržim pečal'.

Amiň. Jako da Carja vs'ich podimem, anhel'skimi nevidimo dorinosima činmi. Alliluia. Alliluia. Alliluia.

SVJAT, SVJAT, SVJAT – HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Svjat, svjat, svjat, Hospod' savaoth, ispolň nebo i zeml'a slavy Tvojeja: osanna vo vyšnich, blahosloven hrjadyj vo imja Hospodne, osanna vo vyšnich.

TEBE POJEM – WE PRAISE YOU

Tebe pojem, Tebe blahoslovim, Teb'i blahodarim, Hospodi, i molimtisja Bože naš.

OTČE NAŠ – OUR FATHER

Otče naš, iže jesi na nebes'ich, da svjatitsja imja Tvoje. Da prijdet carstvije Tvoje, da budet vol'a Tvoja, jako na nebesi, i na zemli. Chl'ib naš nasuščnyj dažd nam dnes'. I ostavi nam dolhi naša, jakože i my ostavl'ajem dolžnikom našim. I ne vvedi nas vo iskušeniye, no izbavi nas ot lukavaho.

VID'ICHOM SVIT ISTINNYJ – WE HAVE SEEN THE TRUE LIGHT

Vid'ichom svit istinnyj, i prijachom Ducha nebesnaho, obr'itochom v'iru istinnuju, nerazd'ilnij Svjat'ij Trojc'i poklanjajemsja, T'a bo nas spasla jest

PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy
for

Entrance of Our Lord into Jerusalem

PLACE RIBBONS AT:

BLUE p. 11 Mark and Follow Ordinary Parts of the Divine Liturgy
GREEN p. 235 Palm Sunday

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: B

EXCEPT: Cherubic Hymn
Holy, Holy, Holy
We Praise You
Communion Hymn A

1. Hymns during incensation Holy, Holy, Holy, p. 57 and Rejoice Today
2. The Divine Liturgy begins on p. 11 BLUE
3. First, Second, and Third Antiphons p. 235-236 GREEN
4. At the Troparia:
 - Troparion of Lazarus Tone 1 p. 236 GREEN
 - Troparion of Palm Sunday p. 237 GREEN
 - Kontakion of Palm Sunday p. 238 GREEN
4. Scripture readings:
 - Prokeimenon of Palm Sunday p. 239 GREEN
 - Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9
 - Alleluia of Palm Sunday p.239 GREEN
 - Gospel: John 12:1-18
5. Instead of "It is truly proper..." Magnification p. 239-240 GREEN

