

some parishioners as a sign that salvation is open to the whole world:

Slavonic:	Christos voskrese! Voistinnu voskrese!
Church Slavonic	Христосъ Воскресе. Воистину Воскресе.
Latin	Christus Resurrexit! Vere Resurrexit!
English:	Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen!
Rusin:	Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!
Hungarian:	Feltamádt Krisztus! Valóban feltamádt!
Slovak:	Kristus vstal zmŕtvých! Skutočne vstal!
Greek:	Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Χριστός Ανέστη. Αληθώς Ανέστη.
Spanish:	¡Cristo es resucitado! ¡Verdaderamente! ha resucitado!
Italian	Cristo è risorto! È veramente risorto!
French	Le Christ est ressuscité! Vraiment Il est ressuscité!
Romanian	Hristos a înviat! Adevărat a înviat!
Czech	Kristus vstal z mrtvých! Vpravdě vstal z mrtvých!
Polish	Chrystus zmartwychwstał! Prawdziwie zmartwychwstał!
German	Christus ist auferstanden! Er ist wahrhaftig auferstanden
Scots Gaelic	Tha Crìosd air èiridh! Gu dearbh, tha e air èiridh!
Irish	Tá Críost éirithe! Go deimhin, tá sé éirithe!
Japanese	ハリストス復活 ! 実に復活!

**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' families each week. Please pray for these parishioners: Edward and Sally Hospodar, Michele and Charles House, Frank and Arceli Hughes & family, James Hughes, Brian and Gina Ignatz, Madonna and Cesar Jaimes & family, Sonia Jennings & family, and from the Mission, Michael Hamas.

**Public Liturgies.** The Commonwealth of Virginia began Phase Three July 1<sup>st</sup>. In his episcopal letter of May 13<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Kurt Burnette announced that churches may reopen for public worship according to the directives of the public health authorities and with the bishop's permission. For churches, Phase Three requirements are the same as Phase One requirements. Governor Northam's amended Executive Order #72 March 23, 2021, makes no changes for churches. This means that the Parish Strategic Plan and the Eparchial Checklist are still applicable. This means churches may open at 50% of capacity provided health department requirements are met. It is important for public health not to slacken in observing the Strategic Plan. Bishop Kurt continues to dispense so those who are at risk or feel unsafe may remain at home. 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. Further, the Bishop had encouraged all the Faithful to make a good Confession when the pandemic is over. The Divine Liturgy of Easter Sunday today will be live streamed.

**Praying at Home Together.** If you are remaining safe at home, you may consider praying the Divine Liturgy in your 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>. The entire People's Molitvennik is available under Publications tab to use when participating in the live streaming Liturgy.

**Messages from the Pastor.** Father John has been sending email messages to the parishioners whose email addresses we have on our roster. If you have not been receiving these email messages, it might be because we do not have your email address, or you have changed it and we do not have it. We would like to have your email address to keep contact with you during this time when some parishioners are remaining safe at home. Simply email the parish office.

**Intentions to be Rescheduled.** If you have offered a Divine Liturgy for an intention to be celebrated during the suspension, you will be contacted to reschedule. Jamie has begun rescheduling weekday liturgy requests according to the date of the request. If you have scheduled a weekday liturgy, that liturgy will remain on the date requested. However, if you scheduled a liturgy on a Sunday, the intention will not be rescheduled until after the pandemic or until Bishop Kurt is able to assign a second priest to be able to celebrate two Sunday liturgies. There is no pre-scheduled Divine Liturgy for Easter Sunday, April 4th.

**Blessing of Easter Baskets.** Easter Baskets will be blessed in the Square (or Green) following the old Epiphany custom. Governor Northam's amended Executive Order #72 beginning April 1 will allow gatherings for 100 people outside. After the blessing on the Square or Green, Easter Baskets will be blessed by drive by in front of the chapel (like the blessing of vehicles for St. Elias). Those participating are asked to remotely open your trunk, Father will bless your food and an usher wearing gloves will close your trunk.

**All Souls Saturdays.** The Fifth All Souls Saturday will be May 22.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**On-line Giving Now Set Up.** Bishop Kurt directed that all parishes have online giving service in place with [www.tithe.ly.com](http://www.tithe.ly.com) by August 31, 2020. Both the parish and the mission now have online accounts with tithe.ly and these can be accessed at the church or mission web sites. To make an online contribution, go to the church web site. On the home page is a link that says Epiphany of our Lord online donation. Click on that and you will be directed to Epiphany's tithe.ly account. Please note that where you see Offertory, that is a drop-down menu that allows the donor to specify what the donation is for: Sunday offertory, Building Fund, St. Nicholas Fund, or eparchial collections. Please show care in the category Recurring Giving. If it is not a donation to be given each week or month, please make that adjustment that this is a one-time donation.

**Amortization Schedule.** The current balance on the \$1.8 million dollar loan from the eparchy for the new church is \$911, 282.67. We have just made the 2021 first quarter interest payment of \$6,834.82. At the 2021 year end we will have paid out \$101,775.98 bringing our loan balance to \$836,282.67.

**EMC Meeting.** Mark your calendars for an Epiphany Men's Club virtual meeting at 7:30 PM Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

**EMC Bingo.** Due to the Pandemic, Bingo has been suspended indefinitely. Observance of local, state, Catholic Mutual, and eparchial requirements for safe distancing and sanitizing does not make reopening Bingo economically feasible. We will continue to monitor health and scientific information as it becomes available to guide the determination of opening safely for our parishioners and Bingo patrons.

**Spring 2021 Awards Club.** The winner of the fourth drawing is Clarence Thomas, #076. The next drawing will take place today, April 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Parish Bulletin.** The parish bulletin will continue to be posted weekly on the Epiphany website: [www.eolbcc.org](http://www.eolbcc.org). It will also be posted on the bulletin board in the narthex and photograph of the bulletin can be taken.

**Parish Office Schedule and Safety Protocols.** In accordance with Bishop Kurt Burnette's and Governor Northam's most recent Orders, the office hours for Epiphany of our Lord continue to be amended to the following: Monday, Wednesday, Friday- 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Parish staff has established safety and health protocols at the parish office. If you have business at the office, please follow these protocols: 1. **use the RING doorbell**; Jamie is able to respond to the door from home as well. 2. wear **a mask** 3. **sanitizer station** when you come and leave; 4. observe **social distancing**. We are only able to accommodate three adults in the office at one time, including two staff members observing safe distancing.

**Mission Update.** Jack McLaurin discovered that the development at the neighboring property encroached on our right of way. There is some damage to our driveway. Bishop Kurt, the owner of the property, was not notified of the development. Jack has filed a complaint with Montgomery County and spoken with the on site development supervisor. According to Jack's review of county records, the developer began work while some of their permit applications were not approved, only pending.

**Restroom Availability FYI.** There are no *campus restrooms open to the public, including* our vendors. We have only two buildings being cleaned weekly, the church for our parishioners and the parish office for our office staff. The parish center hall rest rooms are cleaned for workers for Lenten Dinners. The day care bathrooms are for the exclusive use of the day

care children and staff and restricted for their safety.

## EPARCHIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Bishop's Appeal.** The Bishop's Appeal 2020 began October 1st. Pledges and payments will be accepted through June 1, 2021. Any contributions received after December 31, 2020, must be attributed to the 2021 tax year. The goal for this year's campaign is the same as last year, \$19,800 for the church and \$6,000 for the mission. The parishioners at the church have pledged or given \$16,950. The parishioners at the mission have pledged or given \$4,225. This is an incredible response in this difficult time. May God bless you for your sacrificial offerings to our eparchy and for our eparchy's donations to European eparchies. If we reach our goal, we will receive a 40% refund of the total received.

**ByzanTEEN Virtual Night.** It is Pascha, and that means our next ByzanTEEN Virtual Night Out is less than two weeks away on Sunday April 18th (Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women), 6:00 -7:30pm. The evening's theme is **Myrrbearers: Discipleship in Strength and Silence**. REGISTER now, while it's on your mind, at <https://eparchyofpassaic.com/byzanteensyouthministry> so that we may plan activities and, most importantly send you the link to the Zoom virtual meeting room. If you have any questions, feel free to email me at your convenience.

## Resurrection of Jesus Christ

### COMING EVENTS

- Byzantine Spirituality
- On Line Contributions
- Easter Basket Blessing
- Resurrection Candles Insert
- EMC Awards Club
- Parish Office Safety Protocols
- Amortization Schedule
- Mission Development
- Bishop's Appeal

#### EMC BINGO

Bingo will be suspended for the foreseeable future.

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

## TITHING & GIVING

Adults	\$7,370.00
Building Fund	\$2,590.00
Holy Days	\$275.00
Candles	\$426.25
Easter Flowers	\$215.00
SOR	\$22.00
Easter	\$425.00
Water Bottles	\$24.00
ECL	\$36.00
Mission Church	\$160.00
St. Nicholas Fund	\$162.00
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	\$11,686.25

**Titling & Giving.** This report is the income of weeks 3/14/21 and 3/21/21. The next report will reflect offertory for March 28<sup>th</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup>. "Online Donation" represents donations for Epiphany contributed by parishioners online and sent to Epiphany from our online giving account. Our online giving is operational and can be accessed through the parish or mission web sites. Thank you for continuing to use your giving envelopes.

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

## LITURGY AND LIFE

**Welcome.** On this glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord, we welcome relatives of parishioners, guests and visitors who have come to celebrate with us online and share in the joy of Our Lord's victory over death. We sincerely hope and pray that your visit with us is a holy and grace filled one and that you will return to visit us often. We greet you with the blessing of the Lord's Resurrection in these languages traditional to the Ruthenian Church and also those used by

April 4, 2021



# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

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Very Rev. John G. Basarab - Pastor

<b>Christ Is Risen! Indeed He Is Risen!!</b>	<b>April 4, 2021</b>	<b>Christos voskrese! Voistinnu voskrese!</b>
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## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

### RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Sun. Apr. 04 10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

#### BRIGHT MONDAY

Mon. Apr. 05 10:00 AM +Elizabeth Basarab by Jim, Jamie, & Cody

#### BRIGHT TUESDAY

Tues. Apr. 06 10:00 AM +Marie Stone by Joseph Stone

#### THOMAS SUNDAY

Sun. Apr. 11 10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – April 11, 2021

Sun. Apr. 11 One server will be assigned under Phase Three Reopening Plan.

### USHER SCHEDULE – April 11, 2021

Sun. Apr. 11 Ushers check with Bob Wargo for assignments next Sunday.

**All public services in church in Phase Three in Virginia can have 50% of capacity.  
People in attendance must wear masks and maintain social distancing.**

# 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 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) 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](mailto: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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## PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy  
for

The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

### PLACE RIBBONS AT:

BLUE p. 11 Mark and Follow Ordinary Parts of the Divine Liturgy

RED p. 164 Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

### ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: Festal Tones

EXCEPT: All You Who Been Baptized B  
Cherubic Hymn D  
Our Father - Paschal Melody

1. Hymns during incensation *Your Resurrection*
2. The Divine Liturgy begins on p. 11 BLUE
3. First, Second, and Third Antiphons p. p. 164-165 RED
4. At the Troparia:
  - Troparion of Pascha Special Tone 5 p. 164 RED
  - Kontakion of Pascha Tone 8 p. 166 RED
5. Instead of *Thrice Holy Hymn*, "All you who have been baptized..." p. 32
6. Scripture readings:
  - Prokeimenon of Pascha Tone 8 p. 166 RED
  - Epistle: Acts 1:1-8
  - Alleluia of Pascha Tone 4 p. 166 RED
  - Gospel: John 1:1-17
7. Cherubic Hymn D and Slavonic on reverse of this sheet
8. Instead of "*It is truly proper...*" "*Anhel Vopijasce*" on reverse of this sheet
9. Instead of "*Blessed is He...*" "*Christ is Risen*" A
  - "*We have seen a great light...*" "*Christ is Risen*" A
  - "*May our mouth*" Christ is risen B p. 171 RED
10. At Dismissal "Christ is Risen p. 170 RED

## 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' popravj, jedin syj Svjatyja Trojcy, sproslavl'ajemyj Otcu i Svjatomu Duchu, spasi nas.

## ALL YOU WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED – JELICY VO CHRISTA

Jelicy vo Christa krestistesja, vo Christa oblekostasja. Alliluja. Slava Otču 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 životvorjasšče 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 hrjadjy vo imja Hospodne, osanna vo vyšnich.

## TEBE POJEM – WE PRAISE YOU

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

## ANHEL VOPIJAŠE – THE ANGEL EXCLAIMED

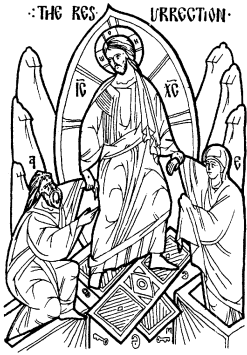
Anhel vopijaše blahodatnyj: čistaja D'ivo radusja, i paki reku radusja: tvoj Syn voskrese tridneven ot hroba. i mertvyja vozdvihnuvj, l'udije veselitesja.

Sv'itisja, sv'itisja, novy Jerusalime: slava bo Hospodňa na Teb'i vozsija: likuj nyňi i veselisja Sione, ty že čistaja krasujsjja Bohorodice, o vostaniji Roždestva tvojeho.

## OTČE NAŠ – OUR FATHER

Otče naš, iže jesi na nebes'ich, da svjatitsja imja Tvoje. Da prijedet 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.

## THE GREAT DAY- VELIK DEN



*He was in the world and the world was made through Him but the world knew him not. He came unto His own and His own did not receive Him but to as many as received Him He gave them power to become children of God to those who believe in His name who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God.*

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us and we saw His glory, glory as of the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.*

John 1:10-11,  
14-15

The proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead in the Byzantine rite or ritual is done in two parts.

The first is the actual proclamation of the resurrection by the angel, then the testimony of the empty tomb and then by the risen Lord Himself from the account in the gospel according to Matthew. This is proclaimed at the Easter Vigil at Vespers and the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil on Great and Holy Saturday night. This reading begins with Pilate setting the guard at the tomb of Jesus offered by Joseph of Arimathea and continues with the women coming to the tomb, finding it open and empty and the angel who gives them the message for the apostles, and the risen Lord meeting the apostles on a mountain in Galilee where He gives them the Great Commission: "Go, therefore, teach all nations, baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teach them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20).

The second is the gospel reading for Easter morning itself. This is the Prologue of the gospel according to John 1:1-17. The choice of this as the Easter gospel is interesting. Some have through the years wondered why this would be the gospel of the Great Day of Resurrection. One reason is that the Prologue functions like the overture of a symphony or like a synopsis does for a course of study in that it is the summary of the entire work of God's salvation.

An interesting feature of the reading of this gospel in Byzantine churches is that it is read in several languages. The seventeen verses are read in twelve sections (to remind us that the risen Lord was seen by the eleven apostles and by Matthias who was chosen to replace Judas and these Twelve announced the resurrection to the world). The reason why the gospel was first read in many languages is because the emperor attended this Divine Liturgy at the Church of the Holy Wisdom and all the ambassadors to the Roman Empire (now called Byzantine Empire) were present. In order for all to understand the gospel it was read in many languages. This practice was then used in all Byzantine churches as the way to fulfill the command of the risen Lord to the apostles that was read in the gospel of the Easter Vigil on Great Saturday to "go, therefore, and teach all nations."

As mentioned the Prologue is an excellent summary of the entire gospel that the risen Lord charged must be taught. It begins by teaching that the Word of God, the Logos, is with God the Father and is one with God the Father and is really, truly God.

Next, the Prologue explains that the Word of God who is really God truly became a real man and lived among us. This Word is Light that enlightens all creation except Darkness that cannot grasp or overwhelm the Light. So God is not like Persian dualism of the past or the Star Wars divinity of the present. God is Light without darkness. Evil has no part with God.

The regrettable part is mentioned that while God who created the world came into the world, He was not accepted by many but to those who have and who now do accept Him, He gives the power to become adopted as God the Father's children through baptism.

The Prologue says the Word became flesh, a man, and we saw His glory. The glory the Lord Jesus mentions throughout the gospel of John is His exaltation or lifting up on the cross as His obedience to the Father whose plan it is for the Son of God to accomplish this life-creating death.

Finally, as a result of this glory of the Word, His death of the cross, all of us who have become children of the Father have received grace in place of grace, that is, this New Testament grace completes and replaces the Old Testament grace. Only now does the Prologue mention the name of the God-man. It is Jesus Christ.

This is our complete Easter message. God the Father loved the human race so much that in place of the disobedience of our first parents, He sent God the Son - who He loves - to suffer the effects of our disobedience. The Son, who was obedient to the Father's plan, is now risen, granting us forgiveness of sins and in place of a sinful nature giving grace, a share of God's divine life.

The Lord Jesus had told the apostles that the mourning they would have at His crucifixion would be temporary, it would give way to a joy that cannot be taken away. What do with the joy of the gospel that cannot be contained is to share it. We who have been forgiven and share in God's divine life are called to proclaim this message to all people by our lives as well as our words. We are missionary disciples, not disciples who are missionaries. Where we live, work, study, and play are our mission fields.

From *Ignatius Study Bible: Mark*, *The Navarre Bible: Mark*, and *Fr. John S. Custer The Holy Gospel: A Byzantine Perspective*.

### Children's Corner

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