

pastor is to celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish entrusted to him on Sunday and days of precept [holydays of obligation] (canon 294). This liturgy intention for 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 remembering several parishioners and families each week. Please remember this week; Gerard Dana, Glenn John and Sharon Dana & family, Marlene Plasha Dana, Gregory Davidowich, Donald and Kathleen Davies, Stephen and Melissa Davies & family, David Dereska, and from the Mission, Richard and Anita Rhinehart.

Governor's Orders. The Governor of Virginia has issued the seventh revise Executive Order Seventy-two and Executive Order Seventy-nine. According to the Commonwealth of Virginia, the State of Emergency expired July 1, 2021, and all executive orders are expired or terminated.

Episcopal Guidelines. Bishop Kurt issued directives for his parishes effective May 28, 2021. 1.) The Bishop directs that state and local health directives should be observed. 2) Parishioners do not have to wear a mask except for personal choice. 3) Priests, deacons, and those assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion should wear a mask. 4) The priest and deacon are to receive from chalices other than the one to be used for the Faithful. 5) Individual spoons must continue to be used to distribute Holy Communion. 6) The priest and deacon must continue to exercise caution in handling the offered and prepared gifts before they are consecrated, and handling, speaking, or singing near the metal ware (chalice, discos, zeon) and continue to sanitize their hands prior to touching them. 7) No one should be asked if they have received the covid vaccine in order to allow entrance to the church. 8) People are

encouraged to continue to practice safe distancing in the pews and Communion procession. 9) The Bishop has not lifted the prohibition to have the prayer books or Bibles or bulletins in church.

Sunday Obligation. The Bishop has revoked the dispensation regarding the Sunday precept or obligation to assist at Divine Liturgy on June 6, 2021. Watching a live stream no longer fulfills the obligation to assist at Divine Liturgy. However, the Bishop reminds everyone that "just as before the pandemic, anyone is relieved of the obligation for serious reason such as sickness, immobility, fear, caring for someone else, to protect your own health or the health of others."

Parish Adjustments to Plan. As a response to the governor's amended executive order and Bishop Kurt Burnette's guidelines of May 26, 2021, Epiphany will have certain adjustments in public worship and assembly. At the present time, no executive orders have been issued. The Virginia Department of Health classifies gathering for public worship as a high-risk activity in the response to the covid variants, delta and omnicron. Please continue to follow the directions of the ushers. The sanitizing stations will still be at the same places, and all are asked to avail themselves of their use. The collection will continue to be taken by the basket in the narthex for the present. Please note that adjustments to pew seating have been made to accommodate the Faithful since the Bishop's dispensation from the Sunday obligation has been revoked. The Bishop has not made any changes to allow the distribution of bulletins or replacing the books in the pew racks. However, the ushers will have Divine Liturgy books available if you desire. If you ask for a book, please take it home with you and bring it back for use each time you come to church. The sacristans will continue to sanitize surfaces and doors regularly. The chapel continues to remain closed at present.

Praying at home together. If you are remaining safe at home, you may consider praying the Divine Liturgy in your homes so we can be united by the same prayer. Visit the <https://mci.archpitt.org> web site under Publications tab to use on your smart phone when participating in the Liturgy.

Fast Free Week. The week between Christmas and the eve of Theophany, January 5th, is a fast-free week. January 5th, Theophany Eve is traditionally a day of fast. In the United States the aspects of fasting or abstinence are left to the strength and determination of the individual.

Theophany. Theophany, January 6th is a holyday of obligation for all the Eastern Catholic Churches. The schedule for Divine Services is in the bulletin. There are two Divine Liturgies, Wednesday, January 5th at 7:30 PM and Thursday, January 6th at 10:00 AM. Water will be blessed Thursday.

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.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nativity Candles. The Nativity candles were lit for the first Christmas Divine Liturgy and will be lit for every liturgy through the Christmas season.

Building Fund. The fourth quarter interest payment on the loan for the new church is \$6,272.12 and it has been paid this month. The loan balance is \$836,282.67. This year the total interest payments were \$26,775.98. The total principal payment made this year was \$75,000. This is made possible by your generosity and by the gift of your time, talents and your dedicated hard work

EMC Awards Club. The EMC Fall Awards Club 300 raffle drawings ended last Sunday with the tenth and final drawing. The prize for the first nine weeks was \$50. On the tenth week, the winner won \$1,000. The weekly winners are: 1. Sally Green, #074; 2. Sally Green, #074; 2. Donna Reid, #259; 4. Michael Dalton, #243; 5. Cesar Jaimes, #034; 6. Terry Abel, #198; 7. Michael Dalton, #243, 8. Marlene McCracken, #128, 9. Emil Koval, #254. 10. Olga Osterberg, #083. Congratulations to all the winners.

On-line Giving. Bishop Kurt directed that all parishes have online giving service in place with www.tithe.ly.com by August 31, 2020. Both the parish and the mission 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.

Tax Planning Opportunities. For those of you currently taking required minimum distributions from your IRA, consider making Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) to Epiphany Church directly from

your IRA. This will not only benefit our church, but it reduces your taxable income even if you do not itemize. Contact the parish office for more information.

Office Schedule. The Parish Office will be closed Friday, December 31. Office hours will resume Monday, January 3, 2022.

2022 Church Calendars. The Church calendars for 2022 have not been received. Jamie has tried to contact Byzantine Seminary Press but was unable to speak with anyone as to when we are in the process. The Press office voicemail was full and there has been no response to the email.

EMC Bingo. New legislation went into effect July 1, 2021, that changes aspects of Bingo in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This legislation allows only those organizations who have corporate offices in Virginia to hold Bingo. Epiphany Men's Club has retained counsel, Attorney John Rodock of Baker, Donalson. A subcommittee of lawmakers has been formed to study the negative impacts of the legislation. Members of EMC Men's Club plan to meet with members of the subcommittee to share the impact the legislation has on our Bingo. EMC is asking parishioners if anyone is interested to work Bingo one Tuesday per month.

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

Mission Development. The chandelier has been installed. Jack had new lighting installed in the kitchen. The canvas icons have been donated by Christine Loya of Eikona Studios. Christine Loya has sent computer generated photographs with measurements to indicate how the icon canvases are to be installed. Jeff Nashwinter has the canvas icons, and Jeff Nashwinter and Jack McLaurin met at the mission estate Thursday, December 30. Jeff is also preparing the poles

for the new chapel-size ripidia. East Coast Commercial will be at the mission estate January 8th to give the price for the complete cleaning.

Epiphany Ladies Guild Meeting.

Epiphany Men's Club Meeting.

EPARCHIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal 2020. The Bishop's Appeal 2020 began November 1, 2021. The goal for Epiphany of our Lord, Annandale is the same as last year, \$19,800.00. The goal for Epiphany of our Lord Montgomery County Mission also remains the same as the previous year, \$6,000. Parishioners should be receiving your Bishop's Appeal forms shortly. If you do not receive your Appeal information, please call the parish office at 703-573-3986 or email to epiphanyofourlord3420@gmail.com. Pledges and payments will be accepted through June 30, 2021. Any contributions received after December 31, 2021, must be attributed to the 2022 tax year. As in previous years, if we reach or exceed our goal, the parish will receive a 40% refund of the total received.

God with Us Online The first course offered for 2022 will be "Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy: The History of the Ecumenical Councils. The professor will be Father Christiaan Kappes, PhD, SLD. Joins us as Father Kappes leads us through the breath-taking story how the holy father of the ecumenical councils battled to preserve the integrity of the Faith as Jesus presented it to the apostles against heresies in the decisive first centuries of the Church. Sessions will be Wednesday, January 12-26 and February 9-16 from 8-9PM.

Sunday before Theophany

COMING EVENTS

- Byzantine Spirituality
- On Line Contributions
- Amended Safety Protocols
- Mission Development
- God with Us online
- Parish Loan
- Bishop's Appeal
- EMC Awards Club Winners

EMC BINGO

Bingo will be suspended for the foreseeable future.

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

January 2, 2022

TITHING & GIVING

Adults	\$8265.00
Initial Offering	\$5,00
Building Fund	\$1065.00
Holy Days	\$335.00
Candles	\$75.00
BCY	\$40.00
SOR	\$166.00
Christmas	\$3245.00
Retired Religious	\$150.00
<u>St. Nicholas Fund</u>	<u>\$445.00</u>
	\$13,791.00

Tithing & Giving. This report represents donations made in person during the week 12/26/21. It does not include online donations. Building Fund is a pass through item from other accounts to be transferred to Building Fund and is not General Fund income.

"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, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Louis Shanks, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira, Irene Markovich, Mary Gaydos, Betty Markovchick, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, Steve Seman, Damon Seman, Tim Ryan, Fr. Lee Gross, and Greta Koehl. Please pray for these relatives and friends of our parishioners: Eileen Gray, Mike Shuster, Greg Starr, Florence Kunder, Kelly Kunder, Francine O'Leary, Russell Plasha, Patricia Delfine, Katherine Sikoryak, Margaret Hospodar, John Ryaby III, Guillermina Donalson, Steve Smith, Caleb Joseph Lugo.

Prayers for our Parishioners. The particular law of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church directs that " the



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**Christ is Born!
Glorify Him!**

January 2, 2022

**Christos Raždajetsja!
Slavite Jeho!**

SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY

Jan. 01 Sun. 9:00 AM Intention of Parishioners

***Thirty-second Week after Pentecost
VIGIL EVE OF THEOPHANY***

Jan. 05 Wed. 10:00 AM Royal Hours
7:30 PM Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil

THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD

Jan. 06 Thurs. 10:00 AM Intention of our Parishioners

VIGIL OF SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

Jan. 08 Sat. 5:00 PM +Helen Uhrin by Monica Koshuta

SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

Jan. 09 Sun. 9:00 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – January 8 & January 9, 2022

Sat. Jan. 8 5:00 PM

Sun. Jan. 9 9:00 AM

USHER SCHEDULE - January 8 & January 9, 2022

Sat. Jan. 8 5:00 PM

Sun. Jan. 9 9:00 AM

People in attendance can wear masks but do not have to do so if vaccinated. No one will be asked to provide proof. People are requested to 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.

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.

PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy
for
Sunday before Theophany

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1. The Divine Liturgy begins on p. 11 BLUE
2. Sunday Antiphons pp. 14-15, 22. BLUE
3. At the Troparia:
 - Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 7 p. 156 GREEN
 - Troparion of the Pre-feast, Tone 4 p. 309 RED
 - Kontakion of the Pre-feast Tone 4 p. 310 RED
4. Scripture readings:
 - Prokeimenon of the Pre-feast Tone 6 p. 311 RED
 - Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:5-8
 - Alleluia of the Pre-feast Tone 8 p. 311 RED
 - Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

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 na Božij, bezsmerten syj, i izvolivvyj spasenija našeho radi voplotitisja ot svjatyja Bohorodicy i naid'ivy Mariji, nepreložno vočelov'ičivysja, raspnysja že, Christe Bože, smertiju smert' popravvyj, jedin syj Svjatyja Trojcy, sproslavl'ajemyj Otcu i Svjatomu Duchu, spasi nas.

SVJATYJ BOŽE – HOLY GOD

Svjatyj Bože, Svjatyj kr'ipkij, Svjatyj bezsmertnyj, pomiluj nas. (3)
Slava Otcu, i Synu, i Svjatomu Duchu, i nyňi i prisno, i vo v'iki v'ikov. Amin.
Svjatyj bezsmertnyj, pomiluj nas.
Svjatyj Bože, Svjatyj kr'ipkij, Svjatyj bezsmertnyj, pomiluj nas.

IŽE CHERUVIMY – LET US WHO MYSTICALLY

Iže Cheruvimy tajno obrazujušče, i životvorjassčej Troje'i trisvjatuju p'isň prinosjassče, 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 zempl'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.

DOSTOJNO JEST' – IT IS TRULY PROPER

Dostojno jest' jako voistinnu blažiti t'a bohorodicu, prisnoblaženuju i preneporočnuju i Mater' Boha našeho. Česňjšuju Cheruvim i slavňjšuju bez sravnenija Serafim, bez istl'inija Boha Slova roždšuju, suščuju Bohorodicu, t'a veličajem.

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.

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'.

DA ISPOLŇATSJA – MAY OUR MOUTH BE FILLED

Da ispolňatsja usta naša chvalenija tvojeho 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 dnipoučatisja

