



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory forever!

January 19, 2025

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava na v'iki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

VIGIL OF THIRTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Jan. 18 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

THIRTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Jan 19 9:00 AM +Brian Keith Polink by Frank Polink, Jr

Thirty-fifth Week after Pentecost

Tues. Jan. 21 10:00 AM +Tim and +Kathy Ryan by Ed and Patty Bogash

Fri. Jan. 24 10:00 AM +Mary Gaydos by Epiphany Men

VIGIL OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Jan. 25 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

THIRTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Jan. 26 9:00 AM +Michael and +Joseph Koshuta by Monica Koshuta & Family

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Jan. 25 5:00 PM Robert Maurice (L)

Sun. Jan 26 9:00 AM R. Riley, J. Ricca, P. Cooke (L), M. Hughes

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Jan. 25 5:00 PM Volunteers

Sun. Jan. 26 9:00 AM Volunteers

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 the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19). Chrismation (Confirmation) and Holy Eucharist (First Holy Communion) are 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. They will meet with the priest and deacon in four sessions—to begin the Pre-Nuptial Questionnaire, to take FOCCUS, a communication, values, and religious inventory approved for use in the Catholic dioceses/eparchies, to complete the Pre-Nuptial Questionnaire, and for a session on the Theology of the Mystery (Sacrament). They are also required to attend Pre-Cana Conference.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance – The Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance is regularly available each Saturday 11:30 AM to 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 Week. 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 confession at church or home where there is more privacy.

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 or at your home rather than the hospital since there is more privacy for confession and less chance for interruption. If you are unable to come to church or are at the hospital, family members should contact the rectory so Father can anoint at 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 deacons on Sundays and at other time by arrangement. Please contact the deacons 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 are two portions of Fairfax Memorial Park. Parishioners who are interested in purchasing cemetery plots should see the deacon.

Byzantine Catholic Mission of Montgomery County Maryland – Divine Liturgy Sunday 10:00 AM. Epiphany Mission Chapel 9301 Warfield Road, Gaithersburg, MD. Phone (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 Council of Administration

Emil Koval, Sally Green

School of Religion – Eastern Catholic Formation-School of Religion classes meet on Sundays after the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy (10:30-11:30) throughout the school year (September -June). Classes are offered for Pre-school & Kindergarten-High School.

Bulletin – Announcements may be brought to the office or faxed (703-573-1088) or emailed to epiphanyofourlord3420@gmail.com.

Parish Registration – Individuals who wish to register should visit the parish office and complete a confidential census form **Parish Website** <https://eolbcc.com> **Mission Website** <https://eolmission.com> .

Epiphany does not conduct pastoral business on the website. Submissions to the website are done through the Parish Office.

Parish Office Staff

Jamie Bacigalupi, Administrative Assistant
Lucie Cantsilieris, Financial Assistant

Parish Office Hours: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Monday – Friday

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TITHING & GIVING

Sunday January 12, 2025

Adults	\$1766.00
Initial Offering	\$30.00
Building Fund	\$1770.00
Holy Days	\$265.00
Candles	\$63.86
SOR	\$59.00
Retirement	\$20.00
St. Nicholas	\$7.00
	<u>\$3985.00</u>

Tithely

December 2024 – Total by Category

Offertory	\$5069.07
Building Fund	\$406.29
Less Tithely Fees	<u>\$148.53</u>
	\$5326.82

*“The king, however, replied: ‘I cannot sacrifice to the LORD my God offerings that cost me nothing.’”
(2 Samuel 24:24)*

Envelope donations for the Building Fund, BCY, SOR, and St. Nicholas Fund are deposited into Epiphany's General Account then transferred to their respective bank accounts quarterly. None of these items are part of the General Fund.

BINGO IS BACK TWICE A MONTH

Have you seen our web site?

Visit www.emcbingo.com

Next Session Tuesday, Jan.21, 2025

Bingo Session Net Profit

12/17/2024 - \$8306.00

Jan. 7 Bingo cx due to inclement weather

LITURGY AND LIFE

Please remember in prayer: Msgr. George Dobes, Ed Gubanich, Justine Ferrari, Caroline Zurun, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, Steve Seman, Damon Seman, Jack Figel, Jessica Polink, John Anthon, Kimberly Snow, Mike Hancher, Michael Maskarinec, and Michael Hamas. 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, Margaret Hospodar, John Ryaby III, Guillermina Donalson, Steve Smith, Caleb Joseph Lugo, *Mary Catherine Bishop, Samuel Gaush, Joshua Bacigalupi, Dr. John Feola, Lisa Fazio Rhodes, and Jayden Ramos Jimenez.

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 parishioners is “For the Intention of Parishioners.” The faithful who attend the Divine Liturgy for the parishioners participate, according to their state, in praying for that intention. We can continue to pray for our parishioners by remembering several parishioners in our daily prayers each week. This week please remember parishioners, Diane Saunders-Hancher, Michael Saupp & family, David and Rhonda Sayen & family, Elizabth Sayen, James Sayen, Jr., James Sayen, Sr., Joseph and Ashley Saye, and from the Mission, Amanda Nickerson-Haba & family.

Great Blessing of Water. The Great Blessing of the Water took place at the Divine Liturgy last Sunday. Blessed Water is now available in the Narthex of the Church.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Office. The parish office will be closed Monday, January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a Federal Holiday and Inauguration Day 2025. Office hours will resume Tuesday, January 21st at 11:00 AM.

EMC Communion Breakfast TODAY (Sunday) January 19th. Epiphany Men's Club sponsors a monthly Communion Breakfast the third Sunday of each month following the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy. All are invited to attend. The next Communion Breakfast is today.

BCY Flea Market. Epiphany BCY will sponsor the Flea market Saturday, Jan 25th, from 9 am to 1pm in the parish hall. Over 70 tables with a wide selection including antiques, clothing, knick-knacks, collectibles, jewelry, glassware, toys, post cards, etc. will be displayed. Free parking and admission, concessions with lunch items for sale. Email EpiphanyBCY@gmail.com for more information.

Lenten Dinners. Epiphany will be serving savory, meatless, Eastern European meals Fridays during Lent from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM, for carry-out and limited dining-in sponsored by Epiphany Ladies Guild. Pirohi (potato and cheese filled dumplings), halushki (sauteed noodles with cabbage), vegetarian soups, and homemade desserts. Meal items priced separately. **Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be celebrated at 7:30 PM.** The first Lenten Dinner will be served March 7 and continues every Friday through April 11. There is no Lenten Dinner Good Friday.

Epiphany Ladies Guild Meeting. The next ELG meeting will take place on **Monday, Jan. 13th.** Note: this is a change from our usual meeting day of the first Monday of the month. Monday, January 6 was a holy day of obligation, with a Divine Liturgy scheduled at 7:30 PM. Please plan to attend the meeting on the 13th. There will be refreshments at 7 PM followed by the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Slavic-American Festival Wrap-up Meeting. The wrap-up meeting for the 2024 Slavic-American Festival is scheduled Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the parish center. Chairs of events are encouraged to attend this very interesting meeting. Anyone interested in the outcomes of the festival are welcome to attend.

Church Mortgage. The fourth quarter 2024 interest payment of \$4,584.62 on the loan for the new church has been paid to the Eparchy of Passaic. The balance of the loan remains \$611,282.67. For 2025, the first three quarter interest payments will be \$4,584.62 each quarter. The principal payment of \$75,000 is due in September which will lower the balance in 2025 to \$536,282.67. The fourth quarter 2025 interest payment will be only \$4,022. Looking to the future, the principal payments will reduce the debt in 2026 to \$4,282.67 and in 2027 to \$386,282.67. There is a balloon payment at the end which will fully amortize the debt service.

Epiphany Church Web Site. Please note, the parish address is no longer eolbcc.org. It is now <https://eolbcc.com>. Please adjust your search and your phone app.

Weekly Office Schedule.

<u>Mon 1/20</u>	<u>Tues 1/21</u>	<u>Wed. 1/22</u>	<u>Thurs 1/23</u>	<u>Fri. 1/24</u>
Lucie/Jamie	Lucie	Jamie	Lucie/Jamie	Lucie/Jamie

Weather Related Office Hours. The staff working in the office at Epiphany of our Lord follow FCPS policy for weather related delays and closures.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal. The Bishop's Appeal has begun. Each parishioner family should have received a mailing from the Eparchy of Passaic. The goal for Epiphany of our Lord remains the same,

\$19,200. Please prayerfully consider the needs that will receive funding from the Appeal and give if or as you are able.

Fairfax Memorial Park. Several years ago, members of Epiphany Byzantine Church purchased grave sites, in either direction from Fairfax Memorial Park or indirectly through the church. The cemetery also gave the church an option for future sites which were put on hold for purchase at a later date.

Epiphany congregants have since been laid to rest in some of those sites and there are still approximately 20-30 still on hold. These sites officially were put on hold for the church several years ago, but it has come to the attention of the cemetery that this particular section has been almost sold out and very few were purchased through our church. As a result, and because demand from families of other churches, these sites will very soon be taken out of the "hold" status and offered to the general public.

The cemetery has been more than fair in holding these sites for our congregation. We are now at a point where we should ask our members if they have any immediate interest in any of these sites.

It is a beautiful location surrounded by trees, shrubs and flowers as well as mausoleums and columbarium buildings. Fairfax Memorial is offering our members a promotion put in place until January 31st. Each site purchased will receive a 10% discount up to a maximum of 25% for the purchase of (4) sites, suitable for a small family.

They will also give up to (5) years' financing with a nominal amount of down payment. Remember that grave sites will double in price every (10) years. If this is something you have immediate interest in pursuing, you may contact:

Deacon Peter Turko (703) 627-8649 or our cemetery representative
Kevin Cooper (571) 213-5513 or kevinc@fmpark.com

Fairfax
MEMORIAL PARK

Kevin Cooper
Advanced Planning Specialist
Cell : (571) 213-5513
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[Pre-plan Your Arrangements](#)

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Celebrant
Sun.	Jan. 19	10:00 AM	Father Jerome Wolbert, O.F.M.
Sun.	Jan. 26	10:00 AM	Father Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M.
Sun.	Feb. 2	10:00 AM	Father Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M.

Great Blessing of Water. The Great Blessing of Water will took place at the Divine Liturgy last Sunday, January 5. Blessed water is available is available at the Mission.

Bishop's Appeal. The Bishop's Appeal has begun. Each parishioner family should have received a mailing from the Eparchy of Passaic. The goal for Epiphany of our Lord Mission remains the same. Please prayerfully consider the needs that will receive funding from the Appeal and give if or as you are able.

2025 Calendars. The 2025 liturgical year calendars are available in the chapel now. To guarantee that all of our parishioners receive a calendar, please take only one per family. A second chance to take more may be had once we are sure that everyone has had the opportunity to take one. This very helpful calendar has the references for the scripture readings for each day of the year. Also, the fast days prescriptions, whether they are strict fast, abstinence or a Day of Penance.

Prayer Intentions: Louis Shanks, Rick Neimiller, Vince Kovalick, Marie Shanks, and Michael Hamas.

Sunday, December 1 Collection: \$865

Sunday, December 8 Collection: \$400

Sunday, December 15 Collection: \$600

Sunday, December 22 Collection: \$845

Sunday, December 29 Collection: \$210

Sunday, January 5 Collection \$260

Sunday, January 12 Collection \$400

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PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy
for
Thirty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

PLACE RIBBONS AT:

BLUE	p. 11	Mark and Follow Ordinary Parts of the Divine Liturgy
GREEN	p. 130	Resurrection Tone 2

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: B EXCEPT:

1. Sunday Antiphons
2. At the Troparia:
 - Troparion of Resurrection Tone 2 pp. 130-131 GREEN
 - Kontakion of Resurrection Tone 2 p. 131 GREEN
4. Scripture Readings
 - Prokeimenon of Resurrection Tone 2, p. 132 GREEN
 - Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17
 - Alleluia of Resurrection Tone 21 p. 132 GREEN
 - Gospel: Luke 18:35-43