



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory forever!

February 16, 2025

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava na v'iki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

VIGIL OF SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

Sat. Feb. 15 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

Sun. Feb. 16 9:00 AM +Mary Ellen Kepick by Frank Polink, Jr.

Meatfare Week

Tues. Feb 18 10:00 AM Natasha Bacigalupi by James & Jamie Bacigalupi

Fri. Feb 21 10:00 AM +Maurice Hallal by Antoine Cantsilieris

FIRST ALL SOULS SATURDAY

Sat. Feb. 22 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy and Remembrance of the Departed

VIGIL OF SUNDAY OF MEATFARE

5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

MEATFARE SUNDAY

Sun Feb. 23 9:00 AM +Mary and +Peter Gaydos by Hryn Nephews & families

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Feb. 15 5:00 PM Robert Maurice (L)

Sun. Feb. 16 9:00 AM J. Hughes (L), R. Riley, J. Ricca, M. Hughes

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Feb. 15 5:00 PM Volunteers

Sun. Feb. 16 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 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 Deacon Peter Turko.

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 made 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 February 9, 2025

Adults	\$4455.00
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Building Fund	\$1885.00
Holy Days	\$140.00
Candles	160.00
S OR	\$52.00
ECL	\$182.00
St. Nicholas	<u>\$2000.00</u>
	\$8879.00

Tithely

January 2025 – Total by Category

Offertory	\$2438.40
Building Fund	\$879.70
Less Tithely Fees	<u>\$87.10</u>
	\$3231.00

*“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, February 18, 2025

Bingo Session Net Profit

2/4/2025 - \$3980.00

LITURGY AND LIFE

Please remember in prayer: Msgr. George Dobes, Ed Gubanich, Caroline Zurun, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, Steve Seman, Damon Seman, Jack Figel, Jessica Polink, John Anthon, Kimberly Snow, Mike Hancher, Michael Maskarinec, Michael Hamas, and Michele Horosko. 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 several parishioners in our daily prayers each week. This week please remember parishioners David and Rhonda Sayen & family, Elizabeth Sayen, James Sayen, Jr., James Sayen, Sr., Joseph and Ashley Sayen, Marshall III and Catherine Sayen & family, Mary Sayen, and from the Mission, Louis and Marie Shanks.

All Souls Saturdays. There are five All Souls Saturday's year, when our deceased relatives are remembered by name. This list, the Hramoty or Dyptychs, is read during a Panachida which follows the Divine Liturgy for the repose of our family members. If you have not already done so, please use the envelope in your envelope sets to list your departed names. The first All Souls Saturday is Saturday, February 22nd. The following four are March 15th, March 22nd, March 29th, and June 7th.

Liturgy Offerings for the Departed. Next Sunday, the gospel of the Last Judgment is read. We hear the Lord's words: “Whatever you do to these least of my brothers, you do to me.” Certainly, the least of the Lord's brethren are the souls of the departed, who after all, can no longer help themselves. We remember our departed in the five All Souls Saturdays. However, other brethren who need help are our priests in the Eparchy of Mukachevo who do not receive a salary but subsist on Divine Liturgy stipends. As you have done in the past, could you also consider offering Divine Liturgies for the souls of your departed family members and send the stipends to the Eparchy of Passaic which will send them to the priests of the Eparchy of Mukachevo. In this way you will assist you departed and, at the same time help our priests and their families as well as the refugees from other parts of Ukraine who they are helping from their own money and food. For information, please see: <https://www.eparchyofpassaic.com/files/Stipend-Request-Letter-2023.pdf> or contact the parish office.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Office Schedule. The parish office will be closed Monday, February 17th, in observance President's Day, a federal holiday.

Young Adult Education/Discussion Group. We have been approached and have been entertaining the idea of creating a young adult/adult education/discussion group for the upcoming school year. We will go forward if there is enough interest to pursue such a venture. If anyone is interested, please contact Deacon Peter (703) 627-8649 or Robert Riley at Robert.e.riley1@gmail.com.

EMC Communion Breakfast February 16th. Epiphany Men's Club sponsors a monthly Communion Breakfast following the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy. All are invited to attend. The next Communion Breakfast is this Sunday, **February 16, 2025**.

Lenten Dinner Sign-up. Lenten Dinners start March 7th!!! The sign-up sheet is in the Parish Center for folks to start signing up to help with the Lenten Dinners. Please help out when you can! We need many hands to help make these dinners a success!

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 continue every Friday through April 11. There is no Lenten Dinner Good Friday.

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 \$461,282.67 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 2/17</u>	<u>Tues 2/18</u>	<u>Wed. 2/19</u>	<u>Thurs 2/20</u>	<u>Fri. 2/21</u>
Office Closed	Lucie	Jamie	Lucie/Jamie	Lucie/Jamie

Weather Related Office Hours. The staff working in the office at Epiphany of our Lord follows 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, \$19,800. The parishioners have pledged \$19,595 to date to the Bishop's Appeal. God bless you for your generosity to the eparchy and so that our eparchy can offer financial help to the Eparchy of Mukachevo as they labor to care for refugees from other oblasts in Ukraine.

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>
Sun.	Feb. 16	10:00 AM	Father Jerome Wolbert, O.F.M.
Sun.	Feb 23	10:00 AM	Father Jerome Wolbert, O.F.M.

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 \$6,000. Mission parishioners have pledged or donated \$3,100. God bless you for your generosity to the eparchy and so we can supply the needs of the Eparchy of Mukachevo in Ukraine as they labor to care for refugees from other oblasts in Ukraine.

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

December 2024 Collection total \$2,920	December 2024 Expenses total \$6,018.48	Monthly deficit (3,098.48)
January 2025 Collection total \$1,440	January 2025 Expenses total \$3,742.23	Monthly deficit (2,302.23)

Sunday, February 2 Collection \$719

Sunday, February 9 Collection \$480

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PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy
of
Sunday of the Prodigal Son

PLACE RIBBONS AT:

BLUE	p. 11	Mark and Follow Ordinary Parts of the Divine Liturgy
GREEN	p. 152	Resurrection Tone 6
RED	p. 216	Sunday of the Prodigal Son

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: B EXCEPT:

1. Sunday Antiphons pp. 14-15 BLUE

2 At the Troparia:

Troparion of Resurrection Tone 2 p. 152 GREEN

Kontakion of the Prodigal Son, Tone 3 p. 216 RED

3 Scripture Readings:

Prokeimenon of the Resurrection Tone 6 p. 153 GREEN

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Alleluia of Resurrection Tone 6 p. 153 GREEN

Gospel: Luke 15:11-32