



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Slava Isusu Christu!

Glory to Jesus Christ!

September 21, 2025

Slava vo v'iki!

Glory forever!

VIGIL OF SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Sat. Sept. 20 5:00 PM +Patricia Carucci by Michael and Emily Strickland

SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Sun. Sept. 21 9:00 AM Intention of Parishioners

Sixteenth Week after Pentecost

VIGIL OF THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Sept. 27 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Sept. 28 9:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Tyler Cobb & Josefina Krasny

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Sept 27 5:00 PM R. Maurice

Sun. Sept. 28 9:00 AM P. Cooke (L), M. Hughes, J. Ricca, R. Riley

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Sept. 27 5:00 PM Volunteers

Sun. Sept. 28 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 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. This is a period of spiritual formation. Please see the priest or deacon.. Details are available at the parish office.

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Adults – follows a period of catechumenate.

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

Parish Office Staff

Jamie Bacigalupi, Administrative Assistant
Lucie Cantsilieris, Financial Assistant

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

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.

Sunday after the Exaltation

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September 21, 2025

TITHING & GIVING

Sunday, September 14, 2025	
Adults	\$3016.00
Building Fund	\$3173.00
Holy Days	\$565.00
Candles	\$72.95
BCY	\$10.00
SOR	\$72.00
St. Nicholas	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$6928.95

Tithely August 2025- Total by Category

Offertory	\$2,030.04
Building Fund	\$323.54
<u>Less Bank Charge</u>	<u>\$72.90</u>
TOTAL	\$1,957.14

“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, October 7, 2025

Bingo Session Net Profit

8/19/2025 - \$6,031.00

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, Michael Maskarinec, Michele Horosko, Thomas Soyka, and Alfred Minichiello. 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, Jayden Ramos Jimenez, James Bacigalupi, Larry Dowdy, Natasha Bacigalupi, and Laurie Anderson, friend of Frank Polink, Jr.

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 Charles and Helen Gaush & Family, Samuel Gaush, Aaron George, George Gerardi, Natalie Gerardi, Robert and Kyra Gerardi, Samuel Gerardi, and from the Mission, Adele Spinder.

Decree on the Sacrament of Penance. Bishop Kurt Burnette issued a Decree, dated May 1, 2025, regarding cell phones and the Sacrament of Penance (Confession). The Bishop orders: “All cell phones, both belonging to the priest or to a penitent must be left outside the confessional or be powered off. It is not enough to have it silenced.

Catechetical Sunday. On Sunday, September 28, an important blessing ceremony will take place during the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy for ECF-SOR students and their parents as catechists. The theme for the 2024-25 Catechetical Year is, “Jesus Christ Our Hope.” Parents are kindly requested to bring their students to the Church Lower Level 15 minutes after Liturgy for the first session of the year. Let us all pray for God to grant them wisdom, understanding, and holiness!

Priests' Retreat. Father John will attend the priests' retreat. For sacramental emergencies, please call the local Roman Catholic parish.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMC Communion Breakfast Today (September 21st). 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 today, Sunday, **September 21st.**

Slavic American Festival. Thank you to all who contributed time, labor and a whole lot of LOVE to making the Slavic American Festival a success. Words don't seem to express how much you are appreciated!

Congratulations!!! Our sincere Congratulations to the Slavic American Festival raffle ticket winners! There are three prizes: 3rd prize-\$100, Marlene McCracken: 2nd prize - \$300, Mary Fazio: and 1st prize, \$1000, David MacDonnell. And thank you for your contributions to the raffle!

Liturgy One Time Only Time Change. Due to the 4:00 PM Divine Liturgy for the Middle States Syncellate Wedding Anniversary Celebration, celebrated by Bishop Kurt on October 11 at Epiphany of our Lord, the 5:00 PM vigil will be changed to 4:00 PM for that day only. Anyone wishing to attend the 4:00 PM Divine Liturgy may do so and satisfy your Sunday obligation. However, only the invited anniversary couples and their prepaid invited guests may attend the dinner following the Divine Liturgy.

Transportation Needed. A donation of two single wooden bed frames has been made to the Mission by a parishioner of Epiphany, Annandale, but no one with a truck or large SUV is available to pick them up from Annandale and drive them up to the Mission. Fr. John has accepted the donation. All we need now is the transportation and the Mission house will have another room furnished. If you have a vehicle that fits this description and can help these beds arrive at their new home, please call Jamie, Epiphany's Administrative Assistant at 703 573 3986 or email to epiphanyofourlord3420@gmail.com ASAP, please.

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 phone app.

Weekly Office Schedule.

<i>Mon. 9/22</i>	<i>Tues. 9/23</i>	<i>Wed. 9/24</i>	<i>Thurs 9/25</i>	<i>Fri. 9/26</i>
Jamie/Lucie	Lucie	Jamie - 1/2/day	Jamie/Lucie	
Jamie/Lucie				

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal Reversion. Epiphany Church has received the 40% reversion for going over goal. A check for \$10,058 has been remitted to Epiphany Church. God bless you for your tithe to the Bishop's Appeal which assists our Eparchy gives humanitarian assistance to Ukraine as well as eparchial programs, and the reversion which benefits our parish

Middle States Syncellate Wedding Anniversary Celebration Invitations for the Middle Atlantic Syncellate Wedding Anniversary Celebration being held at Epiphany of our Lord October 11, 2025, were mailed September 1st. The invitations are for couples celebrating five-year anniversaries in years ending in 5 or 0. If you do not receive an invitation and were married validly in a year ending in a 5 or 0, please call Jamie at 703 573 3986. When you receive your invitation, please complete the response card and return it in the return addressed, self- stamped envelope **as quickly as possible. For planning purposes, it is important that you return the response card whether you plan to attend or not.**

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>
Sun.	Sept. 21	10:00 AM	Father Dan Grigassy, OFM
Sun	Sept. 28	10:00 AM	Father Dan Grigassy, OFM
Sun.	Oct. 5	10:00 AM	Father Dan Grigassy, OFM
Sun.	Oct. 12	10:00 AM	Father Dan Grigassy, OFM

Prayer Intentions: Louis Shanks, Rick Neimiller, Vince Kovalick, Marie Shanks, and Alfred Minichiello.

Condolences. We offer our condolences to Marie Tvaroch and the Hamas Family upon the passing of Michael Hamas who passed away Monday, September 1st. The funeral will be determined by the military schedule. May God grant His departed servant, +Michael, peaceful repose. Vičnaja jemu pamjat’.

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Financials:

August 2025 Collection Total	August 2025 Expenses Total	Monthly Overage/Deficit
\$2,035	\$5,781.55	(-\$3,746.55)

Tithely August 2025 – Total by Category

Total Donations	\$144.68
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<u>Less Bank Charges</u>	<u>\$4.68</u>
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Net Donations	\$140.00
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Sunday, Aug. 31 Collection \$780

Sunday, Sept. 7 Collection \$685.

“The king, however, replied: ‘I cannot sacrifice to the Lord my God offerings that cost me nothing.’ (2Sammuel 24-24)

PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy for Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

RED p. 258 Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: B
EXCEPT: Cherubic Hymn A
We Praise You A
Our Father

1. The Divine Liturgy begins on page 11 BLUE
2. 1st 2nd, and 3rd Antiphons of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross pp. 258-259 RED
3. At the Troparia:
 - Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 6 p. 152 GREEN
 - Troparion of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Tone 1 p. 259 RED
 - Kontakion of the Exaltation Tone 4 p. 259 RED
4. *Instead of* “Holy God”, ‘ “We bow to your Cross...” p. 33 BLUE
5. Scripture Readings
 - Prokeimenon of the Exaltation Tone 7, p. 260 RED
 - Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20
 - Alleluia of the Exaltation Tone 1 p. 260 RED
 - Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1
6. *“Instead of”* “It is truly proper...” Magnification and Irmos Tone 8 pp. 260 RED
7. Communion Hymn of Exaltation p. 258 RED

