



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Christ is Risen!
Indeed He Is Rise!**

April 5, 2026

**Christos Voskrese!
Voistinnu Voskrese!**

VIGIL OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Sat. Apr. 04 5:00 PM Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD – PASCHA

Sun. Apr. 05 8:00 AM Resurrection Matins

9:00 AM Easter Divine Liturgy

BRIGHT WEEK

Mon. Apr. 06 10:00 AM +Kathleen M. Halston by Kyra & Robert Gerardi

Tues. Apr. 07 10:00 AM +John Sirotniak by Epiphany Cantors

Fri. Apr. 10 10:00 AM +Joseph Pullella by Pullella Family

VIGIL OF THOMAS SUNDAY

Sat. Apr. 11 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

THOMAS SUNDAY

Sun Apr. 12 9:00 AM +Edward Hopodar by Chris & Joe Brewer

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. Apr. 11 5:00 PM R. Maurice

Sun. Apr. 12 9:00 AM Hughes (L), P. Cooke, C. Noffsinger, J. Ricca

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Apr. 04 5:00 PM Volunteers

Sun. Apr. 05 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 n on the Theology of the Mystery (Sacrament). They are also required to attend Pre-Cana Conference. 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.

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. no later than 2:00 PM Wednesday.

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

Resurrection of our Lord

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April 5, 2026

TITHING AND GIVING

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Adults	\$2060.00
Building Fund	\$557.00
Holy Days	\$670.00
Candles	\$42.00
Flowers	\$40.00
BCY	\$5.00
SOR	\$55.00
Easter	\$65.00
Byzantine Mission	\$20.00
St. Nicholas	\$212.00
	<u>\$3726.00</u>

Tithely January 2026 Total

by Category

Offertory	\$2615.74
Building Fund	\$426.84
Holy Water Bottles	\$10.61
Blessed Candles	\$31.20
Less Tithely Fees	<u>\$92.36</u>

TOTAL \$2992.03

"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, Hramoty, 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 The net profit of March 3 \$4687.00 Next Session Tuesday, Apri

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

English:	Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen		
Rusin:	Христос воскрес! Воістину воскрес!	German	Christus ist auferstanden! Er ist wahrhaftig
Hungarian:	Feltamádt Krisztus! Valóban feltamádt!	auferstanden	
Slovak:	Kristus vstal zmŕtvých! Skutočne vstal!	Scots Gaelic	Tha Crìosd air èiridh! Gu dearbh, tha e air èiridh!
Greek:	Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Χριστός Ανέστη.	Irish	Tá Críost éirithe! Gu dearbh, tha e air èiridh!!
Spanish:	¡Cristo es resucitado! ¡Verdaderamente! ha resucitado!	Japanese	ハリストス復活 ！ 実に復活 ！
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		

Resurrection Procession. Representatives of Epiphany Men's Club, Ladies Guild, BCY, and ECF-SOR will carry their respective banners in the procession before Resurrection Matins today, Easter Sunday.

Bright Monday Procession. The Bright Monday procession and the proclamation of the four Resurrection gospels will take place outside, weather permitting, at the conclusion of the Bright Monday Divine Liturgy.

Feast of St. George. Wednesday will be the final day Father Jason Dechanne will be with us. Father Jason will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the feast of St. George Wednesday evening at 7:30PM. If you want to say farewell to Father Jason, please attend the Wednesday holyday Divine Liturgy.

Traditional Blessing of Paschal Foods. Paschal foods will be blessed Great Saturday evening after the Easter Vigil Liturgy and Easter morning after the Divine Liturgy in the Parish Center.

Fast Free Week. There is no fasting during Bright Week, including on Friday.

Paschal Prescriptions. There is no kneeling for the fifty days from the Sunday of Pascha until Pentecost when kneeling resumes.

Bright Week. The seven days of Bright Week are considered as one seven-day long day of the Sunday of Pascha. The liturgy texts are of the Sunday of Pascha except certain texts like prokeimena and readings that reflect which church in Constantinople the Divine Liturgy was celebrated: Monday-Church of the Holy Apostles; Tuesday-Our Lady in Blachernae. Melodies for the departed are not sung, Eternal Memory is not intoned and funerals during Bright Week are of the Resurrection.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saint Thomas Sunday Breakfast. On Sunday, April 12, the feast of the appearance of our Lord to St. Thomas, Epiphany celebrates with a parish meal that includes the food we have abstained from during the Great Fast. We will celebrate the feast with the traditional Easter foods like those that were blessed in the baskets on Easter. This event will take place after the Sunday 9AM Liturgy

in the parish social hall. We welcome and encourage all to join us for the feast. This no-cost meal is provided courtesy of the parish.

- In Christ, Yasmine

Weekly Office Schedule

<i>Mon. 04/06</i>	<i>Tues. 04/07</i>	<i>Wed. 04/08</i>	<i>Thurs 04/09</i>	<i>Fri. 04/10</i>
Office Closed	Lucie	TBD	Lucie/Jamie	Jamie/Lucie

Cemetery plots in Original Section. Fairfax Memorial Park has informed us that there are seven additional plots available adjacent to our original section. In what is known as Section 4, a natural event caused a tree to be uprooted which created the availability of these additional (7) seven plots. This is by our older section, and all seven plots are in a row. Each site is \$9,995.00. With a potential discount, the price per plot could be \$7,496.25. This is not an open-ended offer. At this time, it is unknown how long this offer will be valid. Since last Sunday, Epiphany parishioners have called the cemetery expressing interest in the plots. The cemetery will now hold the plots for Epiphany. If you are interested in purchasing one of these seven plots, you are urged to contact Fairfax Memorial Park quickly at.703 988 1071.

No Epiphany Men's Club (EMC) Meeting in April; Next Meeting May 3, 2026. Epiphany Men's Club will not have a monthly meeting in April. Emails will be sent as needed during April regarding EMC updates, requests for help, and other matters. The next meeting will be on Sunday May 3, 2026, after 9 am Liturgy. Have a great Easter Season!

EMC Awards Club. The first drawing for the Spring EMC Awards Club Raffle was held last Sunday, March 8th. The winner of the first drawing is Mary Sikora #186 The winner of the second drawing held March 15th was Deacon El Pekarik, 083. Donna Reid, 063, was the winner of the third drawing held March 22. The fourth drawing held March 29th was won by Robert Riley, #085. The next drawing will be today, April 5th at 11:30 AM.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop's Appeal 2025. The Bishop's Appeal 2025 began in October 2025. Parishioners should have received their Bishop's Appeal pledge forms. Pledges and payments will be accepted thorough June 30, 2026. Any contributions received after December 31, 2025, must be attributed to the 2026 tax year. Our goal for this year is \$19,800. It remains the same as last year. To date, Epiphany parishioners have pledged \$21,100 and have exceeded our goal. Since we have

exceeded our goal, as in past years, the parish will receive a 40% refund of the total received. The refund will be calculated at the end of the fiscal year.

Harvest Helpers. “When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” (Matthew 9:36-38). What you can do: 1. Sign up to host the icon for one week. 2. Use the booklets to pray prayers for vacations each day. 3. Return the icon the following Sunday for the next person or family. 4. If you have a vocation, say “yes” to Jesus Christ. **“Come after me. I will make you Fishers of Men.” New men for crew of Barque of Peter needed. Complete training and nets provided. Expect turbulent seas, rough conditions, life-long voyage, life-preservers for people you catch on nautical rescue mission, best Captain in this or the next world.** Consider the Priesthood. <https://www.eparchyofpassaic.com/vocations>

Young Adult Summer Convocation. *The Heart of the God-Bearer* at the 2026 Byzantine Catholic Young Adult Convocation, July 31st to August 2nd at St. Mary’s Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, New Jersey. Young adults ages 18-35 will gather for fellowship, communal praying of the Liturgy of the Hours, and talks from speakers Join us for three days of faith, friendship, and transformation. For more information, go to <https://www.heartofthegodbearer.org/>. Online registration is open from now until 30th! Not a young adult? Contact us if you’re interested in helping sponsor scholarships to help the young adults in our Church grow and share their faith!

Cathedral Corporation Envelopes. Cathedral Corporation, the company which produces our Collection envelopes has informed us that their printer has malfunctioned, and church envelopes will be delayed. While their employees are working overtime and weekends to catch up, you may experience some delay in receiving your envelope packet in the mail. Meanwhile, you may use a plain envelope and write your name, your envelope number and any designation, e.g. Building Fund, Offertory, Easter, and place it in the collection basket or mail to the church

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Celebrant
Sun.	4/5	10:00 – Pascha	Fr. Jerome
Sun	4/12	10:00 AM	Fr. Daniel

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

Blessing of Paschal Foods. Blessing of Easter Baskets with Paschal Foods will take place at the Mission House after the Divine Liturgy of Pascha.

Social Hour. There is a social hour on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month following Liturgy.

Food Pantry Donations: *Every week* there is a collection of pantry staple foods (beans, rice, soup, peanut butter, mac and cheese, pasta, cereal, etc.). The food will be donated to a local food pantry.

Bishop's Appeal 2025. The Bishop's Appeal 2025 began in October 2025. Our goal for this year is \$6000, the same as last year. As last year and the past several years, if we reach or exceed our goal, the parish will receive a 40% refund of the total received. The refund will be calculated at the end of the fiscal year, and checks will follow. To date, Epiphany Mission parishioners have pledged \$2,290.

Financials: Collections: March Deposits \$2,516.00; March Expenses (\$5,706.55); March Deficit (\$3,190.55) Tithely \$160

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PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy for ***RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD***

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

RED p 164 The Resurrection of Our Lord

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: B EXCEPT:

1. The Divine Liturgy begins on page 11 BLUE
2. Antiphons of Pascha p. 164 RED
3. At the Troparia
 Troparion of Pascha Special Tone 5 p. 165 RED (Music p.164)
 Kontakion of Pascha Tone 8 p.166 RED
4. Instead of “Holy God...” “All you who have been baptized...”
5. Scripture Readings
 Prokeimenon of Pascha Tone 8 p. 166 RED
 Epistle: Acts 6:1-8
 Alleluia of Pascha Tone 4 p.166 RED
 Gospel: John 1;1-17
6. Instead of...” *It is Truly Proper...*” **The angel exclaimed...**”
7. Communion Hymn of Pascha pp.168-169
8. Instead of...” Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord...,” “May our mouth be filled...,” “We have seen a great light...,” and “Glory...Now and ever...”in the dismissal, the Pascha Troparion is sung.
9. After dismissal, the priest says, “Christ is Risen,” and the faithful respond, “Indeed He is Risen,” three times, and on is sung once by the priest and twice by faithful.
 Special melodies p. 170

● **Social Hour has returned!** There will be a social hour on the 1st and 3rd

Sundays of every month following Liturgy. The Mission will provide light snacks (bagels, donuts, etc), coffee, and tea for those who wish to partake. A donation basket will be available at the socials for those wishing to help fund these events. The Socials will be noted on the schedule below.

● **Food Pantry Donations:** *Every week* there will be a collection of pantry stable foods (beans, rice, soup, peanut butter, mac and

● cheese, pasta, cereal, etc.). The food will be donated to a local food pantry. As you are probably aware from the news and other sources, there is great need in and around our area. A collection box will be in the kitchen each Sunday.

Liturgy Schedule:

Date	Time	Happenings	Collections
April 5 Fr. Jerome	10:00 AM Resurrection		
April 12	10:00 AM Fr. Daniel		
April 19	10:00 AM Fr. Daniel		