



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Slava Isusu Christu!

May 24, 2026

Glory forever!
Slava na v'iki!

VIGIL OF PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sat. May 23 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sun. May 24 9:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on
Christian Monte's by Turko Family

Pentecost Week

PENTECOST MONDAY - SIMPLE

Mon. May 25 10:00 AM +Sally Anne Gaydos by Janet Knapp

Pentecost Friday

Fri. May 29 10:00 AM +Brian Polink by Frank Polink, Jr.

VIGIL OF SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

Sat. May 30 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

Sun. May 31 9:00 AM +Elizabeth Basarab by Noyes Family

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. May 30 5:00 PM R. Maurice

Sun May 31 9:00 AM P. Cooke, (L), J. Hughes, M. Hughes, R. Riley

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. May 30 5:00 PM Volunteers

Sun. May 31 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

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, 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

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May 24, 2026

TITHING & GIVING

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Adults	\$1358.00
Building Fund	\$310.00
Candles	\$154.00
BCY	\$5.00
SOR	\$5.00
Easter	\$75.00
St. Nicholas	\$571.00
	<u>\$2563.00</u>

Tithely April 2026 Total by Category	
Offertory	\$4238.01
Bldg. Fund.	\$574.04
Cabdles/Holy Table	
Collection	\$62.10
Less Bank Charges	\$125.90
<u>Less Failed transactions</u>	<u>\$62.73</u>
	\$2675.48

"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 April 21 is \$6177.00; May 5 is \$54673.00; May 19 is \$3805.00. Next Session is Tuesday, June 2, 2026 .

LITURGY AND LIFE

Please remember in prayer: Msgr. George, Deacon Peter Turko, Ed Gubanich, Caroline Zurun, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, Steve Seman, Damon Seman, Jessica Polink, Kimberly Snow, Michael Maskarinec, Alfred Minichiello, Betty Mattingly, and Gerry Schalestock. Please pray for these relatives and friends of our parishioners: Eileen Gray, Mike Shuster, Greg Starr, Florence Kunder, Kelly Kunder, Francine O’Leary, Margaret Hospodar, John Ryaby III, Guillermina Donalson, Steve Smith, Caleb Joseph Lugo, Samuel Gaush, Joshua Bacigalupi, Dr. John Feola, Lisa Fazio Rhodes, Jayden Ramos Jimenez, James Bacigalupi, Larry Dowdy, Laurie Anderson, Louisa and James Donaldson, and Steve Anderson.

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. Please remember and, Logan Ryan, Michael and Carlyn Ryan & Family, Sean and Neely Ryaan & Family, Timothy Ryan III, Timothy and Tracey Ryan II, Michael Ryjik, Cynthia and Richard Sandridge from the mission, Amanda Nickerson-Haba.

Pentecost. Fifty days from Pascha, the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, is Pentecost (Greek, pentēcostē, or fiftieth, that is, seven weeks of seven days plus one day beyond to indicate God’s re-creation), when God the Holy Spirit was sent upon the Body of Christ, the Church. This final revelation of the Holy Trinity came in the form of a powerful wind and tongues of fire on the Upper Room as the Old Testament was observing the feast of Pentecost fifty days after Passover celebrating when God gave Moses the Commandments on Sinai fifty days after the Passover Exodus, and the agricultural feast of the ingathering of the first fruits of the harvest. After God the Son united to us by becoming man, He died for our sins to liberate us from slavery to sin and perpetual punishment in exile from God, He resurrected from the dead and took His sacrificed, resurrected, glorified human nature from earth to heaven—as the first fruits of the human race. With this ascension, He began the saving, liberating exodus of the human race. So that the human race could escape bondage and death and journey to heaven and life with God, God the Holy Spirit was sent to cleanse us and sanctify us by the outpouring of God divine life, grace, in the Seven Sacraments, and in the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit that produce a yield in humans of the Twelve Fruits of the Holy Spirit, ready to be harvested and gathered into heaven with God the Father, and the Son, through the working of God the Holy Spirit. At the same time, the Holy Spirit is working to reunite the members of the human race through the Body of Christ, the Church.

Pentecost Week Fasting Prescriptions. Pentecost Week is a fast-free week. There is no fasting this week, including on Pentecost Friday.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Office Schedule

<i>Mon. 05/25</i>	<i>Tues. 05/26</i>	<i>Wed. 05/27</i>	<i>Thurs 05/28</i>	<i>Fri. 05/29</i>
Office Closed	Lucie	Jamie	Jamie & Lucie	Jamie & Lucie

Parish Office Schedule. The parish office will be closed Monday, May 25, 2026, in observance of Memorial Day, a federal holiday. The office will resume regular office hours on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 11:30 AM.

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 first shed, 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. We have been informed just this week, that two of these plots have been sold. However, we have been again graced with the availability of two additional plots in the same area. So again, Epiphany has (7) seven plots in the same area together available for purchase for a limited time. If you are thinking of looking into one or more of these plots, it is so important to act with haste

Next Epiphany Men's Club (EMC) Meeting Sunday June 7th. The Epiphany Men's Club June meeting is **Sunday, June 7th.** The meeting will begin at the back of the Hall **immediately following** the conclusion of 9 am Liturgy. Food and drink will be provided

Epiphany Ladies Guild Spring Dance. ELG will host their annual Spring dance June 6 at Epiphany of our Lord in the Parish Social Hall located at 3408 Woodburn Road, Annandale VA 22003. The event begins at 7:30 PM and ends at 10:30 PM. Join us for dancing, and fun! There will be door prizes. Heavy appetizers, dessert bar, coffee, tea, sodas, beer and wine will be served. Tickets available at the door or reserve tables by calling 703 255 2221 or DTParrell@gmail.com

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 through 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

\$23,600 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 vocations 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. **“When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” (Matthew 9:36)** How to deal with this situation? God has an answer: **“And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.” (Jeremiah 3:17).** If you are a man with a compassionate heart and the High Priest Jesus is calling you, don’t keep Him on hold. 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, 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!

SEEK2027. Bishop Kurt wants every parish to send their college students and young adults to SEEK2027. SEEK is annually sponsored by FOCUS, Fellowship of Catholic University Students, and is the largest world-wide gathering of college students and young adult Catholics in the world. SEEK2026 was attended by 21,000+. SEEK2027 will be held at Columbus, OH, January 1-5, 2027. Registration fees: College students and seminarians: \$545; Regular registration: \$575, Premium: \$2,500. (Premium includes three meals per day. Housing and travel expenses not included in registration fees.) At SEEK2027 “Ever Ancient, Ever New” expect to encounter Jesus Christ through prayer, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Scripture study, receptions of the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion; experience fellowship with fellow Catholics, inspiration through choosing which motivational speakers’ sessions interest you, and entertainments each day of the conference. Bishop Kurt encourages the parishes to begin fund raising events and requesting parishioners who will sponsor a college student’s costs.

Oriente Lumen XXX Conference Announced. The 30th Oriente Lumen Conference, founded and chaired by Lector Jack Figel, will take place on July 13-15 at the St. John Paul II Shrine and Retreat House in Washington, DC. The theme will be “Ecumenical Crossroad: Consensus Achieved – What’s Next?” Speakers will include Cardinal Sean O’Malley, Archbishop Flavio Pace from the Vatican, Bishop John Michael Botean (Romanian Greek Catholic), Bishop Anthony Vrame (Greek Orthodox), and Lector Jack. Video lectures will also be made by Archbishop Borys Gudziak (Ukrainian Greek Catholic) and

Metropolitan Job of Pisidia (Ecumenical Patriarchate). Register for this in-person event and get to mingle with high Church officials here: <https://olfoundation.net/upcoming-events/orientale-lumen-xxx/>

Uzhhorod380. The Eparchy of Passaic has posted six 15-20 minute educational videos on the eparchial YouTube channel about the Union of Uzhhorod, originally produced by Channel 21 Uzhhorod. Professor Volodymyr Fenyach delivered the lectures and there is an English translation.

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Celebrant
Sun.	5/24	10:00 AM	Father Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M.
Sun.	5/31	10:00 AM	Father Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M.

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

Social Hour. There is a social hour on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month following Liturgy. Social Hour is this Sunday, May 17th. Come join us for Christian fellowship after the Divine Liturgy.

Pentecost Week Fasting Prescriptions. Pentecost Week is a fast-free week. There is no fasting this week, including on Pentecost Friday.

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: April \$2,425 Tithley \$175 Transfer from savings \$3000 Expenses April (\$5336.28) Balance \$263.72.

Sunday, May 3 - \$335 May 17 \$625.
Sunday, May 10 - \$1,020

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(2Samuel 24-24)

PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy for *PENTECOST*

BLUE	p. 11	Mark Divine Liturgy
GREEN	p. 203	Pentecost Sunday

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: A

**EXCEPT: Cherubic Hymn, We praise You, D
Our Father Tone 6
All you who have been baptized B**

1. Hymns during incensation “O Holy Spirit” and “We have seen the true light.”
2. Special Hymn Tone 6 p. 203
3. Antiphons of the Feast and Entrance Hymn p. 203-205 GREEN
4. At the Troparia
 - Troparion of Pentecost Tone 8 pp. 204-205 GREEN
 - Kontakion of Pentecost Tone 8 p.205 GREEN
5. Instead of “Holy God...” “All you who have been baptized...” P. 32 BLUE
6. Scripture Reading
 - Prokeimenon of Pentecost Tone 8 p. 206 GREEN
 - Epistle: Acts 2:1-11
 - Alleluia Tone 1 p. 206 GREEN
 - Gospel: John 7:37-52 & 8:12
7. Instead of “*It is truly proper*” Exaltation and Irmos of Pentecost pp. 206-207 GREEN
8. Communion Hymn: of Pentecost, p. 208 GREEN

• **Social Hour has returned!** There will be a social hour on the 1st 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
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