EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
3410 Woodburn Road
Annandale, VA 22003

Very Reverend John G. Basarab

Glory to Jesus Christ!		**Glory forever!**
Slava Isusu Christu!	**September 27, 2026**	**Slava na v'iki!**

VIGIL OF THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENECOST

Sat. Sept. 26 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioner

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Sept. 27 9:00 AM +Elizabeth Lichvarcik by Fr. John Basarab

Nineteenth Week after Pentecost

VIGIL OF THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Wed. Sept. 30 7:30 PM Great Vespers

PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS - SOLEMN

Thurs. Oct. 1 10:00AM +Edward Gubanich by Joseph Stone

VIGIL OF THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Oct. 3 5:00 PM +Joseph Koshuta by Monica Koshuta

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Oct. 4 9:00 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Oct. 3 5:00 PM R. Maurice
Sun. Oct. 4 9:00 AM P. Cooke (L), J. Hughes, M. Hughes, R. Riley

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Sept. 26 5:00 PM Volunteers
Sun. Sept. 27 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 Office Staff
Jamie Bacigalupi, Administrative Assistant
Lucie Cantsilieris, Financial Assistant

Parish Council of Administration
Emil Koval, Sally Green

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

.arish 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 of

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TITHING & GIVING

Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026

Adults	$2165.00
Building Fund	$1435.00
Holy Days	$155.00
Candles	$57.00
BCY	$5.00
SOR	$85.00
Seminary	$150.00
St. Nicholas	$16.00
	$4068.00

Tithely, August 2026 Total by Category

Offertory	$3021.20
Bldg. Fund	$323.54
Less Bank Charges	$102.39
	$3242.35

"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? The Bingo profit for August 18 was $2435. Visit www.emcbingo.com Next Session is Tuesday, September

LITURGY AND LIFE

Please remember in prayer: Msgr. George Dobes, Deacon Peter Turko, Caroline Zurun, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, Steve Seman, Damon Seman, Jessica Polink, Kimberly Snow, Michael Maskarinec, Alfred Minichiello, Betty Mattingly, Tony Fazio, Marilou MacDonnell, and Caroline "Tiger" Davidowich. 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 Donaldson, Steve Anderson, Bobbi Stak, Mary Kisha, sister of Emil Koval, and Patrolman Maria Kisha, niece of Emil Koval.

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: Mary Brooks, German and Matrona Busch & Family, Elijah and Danielle Cassella & Family, Max Cassella, Vincent and Jennifer Cassella & Family, Paul and Stephanie Ceragiola, William Chaeys, and from the Mission, Thomas Klimkosky.

Protection of the Theotokos. In the tenth century, Constantinople, the capitol of the East Roman (Byzantine) Empire, was besieged by Saracens. The Byzantine army was away on the frontier, so the citizens of the walled capitol city gathered in the Church of the Mother of God at Blacherna neighborhood of Constantinople where her robe, veil, and part of her belt were kept. During the night as people kept prayer vigil, the Mother of God visited them with her protective veil. The Saracens were dispersed, and the city was saved, and its inhabitants were spared. This deliverance drew the commemoration of all subsequent appearances of the Mother of God as well as her weeping icons to this one commemoration on October 1st. The Protection is the patronal feast of the Mother Church, the Eparchy of Mukachevo. The Byzantine Ruthenian Bishops of the United States mindful of this, dedicated the Byzantine Ruthenian chapel in the Basilica of the National Shrine to the Mother of God under her Protection.

Catechetical Sunday. Today, we joyfully celebrate an important event in our parish: the beginning of the catechetical school year. The theme for the 2026-27 Catechetical Year is, "The spirit of the Lord is upon me: A year of favor, healing, and mission." Parents are kindly requested

to return with their students to the Church 15-20 minutes after Liturgy for the Kickoff. Let us all pray for God to grant them wisdom, understanding and holiness!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Epiphany Ladies Guild (ELG) Meeting - October 4, 2026. Please mark your calendars for the October ELG Meeting, which will be held on Sunday, October 4, 2026, immediately following the Divine Liturgy. Lunch will be served. We have a lot of ELG and parish activities for the remainder of 2026 to discuss! Please watch your email, as well, as we will send out materials prior to the meeting.

EMC October Meeting. The EMC October meeting is **THURSDAY, October 8th.** Appetizers will be served at 6:30 pm, followed by dinner at 7:00 PM. A highlight will be our annual tasting of the finest grapes from "Chez Fournier."
The meeting will begin at 7:30 PM.

Rummage Sale. The Epiphany Rummage sale is on!! It will be held during the St. Nicholas Christmas Market on Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
We will start collecting donations in mid-October in the Chapel basement. **Remember:**
- no large furniture. Smaller pieces only.
- no old linens, sheets, blankets or bedspreads.
- no clothes or shoes.
- no rusty or broken items.
- no car parts.

We will also be setting up a separate table in the Parish Center for more valuable items.
Any questions or to volunteer to help, contact Chris Terpak Malm 703-371-4011

Weekly Office Schedule

Mon. 9/27	*Tues.9/28*	*Wed. 9/29*	*Thurs 9/30*	*Fri. 10/1*
Jamie /Lucie	Lucie	Jamie	Jamie & Lucie	Lucie

Mezzanine Icons Available. Christine Uveges Loya, the Iconographer, has sent us the icon plan for the Mezzanine (choir loft) To update the mezzanine icons: 1. John of Damascus was switched out for Andrew of Crete. 2. All four mezzanine icons King David, Cassia, Romanus, and Andrew of Crete have been donated.

Parking Lot Paving. Finley Paving has informed us that paving will begin Monday, October 19,2026 and be completed October 19, 2026, including striping. It will be drive on ready on Tuesday morning before the daycare hours begin. Thank you, Epiphany Ladies Guild, for all your hard work to make this a reality.

Cornice Icons. Christine Uveges Loya plans to install two icons which have been donated on the cornice in October. Two additional icons have recently been donated. There are now only three cornice icons remaining to be commissioned and dedicated or memorialized: Christ Conversing with the Samaritan Woman, Peter and John at the Empty Tomb, and the Christ Washing the Feet.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mid-Atlantic States Syncellate Wedding Anniversary Celebration (Jubilarian). The wedding anniversary celebration for married couples observing their five-year anniversary, i.e. 5th, 10th, 15th, will be held November 14, 2026, at Epiphany of our Lord Church. If you are celebrating one of these five-year anniversaries, you should have received an invitation. **Please return the response card whether you plan to attend or not.** This helps us in planning for the event. If you did not receive an invitation , but believe you should have, please call Jamie at the Parish Office at 703 573 3986.

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. **The Maria Theresa Foundation is offering a gift to college students of parishes of the Eparchy of Passaic to offset the costs**.

New Home on the Internet of Eparchy of Passaic. The Eparchy of Passaic has a new look for its web site thanks to Jerry Wutkowski, online communications director.

***Walk with Mary, Queen of Peace*,** a retreat to honor our Blessed Mother. It's being held on **Saturday October 10th - from 8:45 - 4:00** at **the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg, MD. * Msgr Charles Mangan,** once spiritual director to Carmelite Nuns and now an associate professor at Mount St. Mary's Seminary is leading this retreat. Morning and afternoon inspirational talks, Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation,

the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Carmelite Rosary, and **Mass celebrated by Bishop Evelio Menjivar** of Wheeling-Charlestown, WV. There is also an opportunity to enroll in the Brown Scapular Confraternity *Bring a bagged lunch, *$20 donation at the door

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Celebrant
Sun.	Sept. 27	10:00 AM	Deacon Peter Turko

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

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

Bishop's Appeal 2025. The Bishop's Appeal 2025 began in October 2025 and concluded June 30, 2026. Our goal for this year was $6000. Epiphany Mission parishioners have pledged $4,790. May God bless you for your generosity.

Financials: Collections:
Sunday, July 12 - $725; Received Friday, July 31 - $400
August Tithely –$ 184.28
Tithely $184.28
Expenses $(4.28)
Remaining $180.00

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PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy
for
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

BLUE	p. 11	Mark Divine Liturgy
GREEN	p.125	Resurrection Tone 1

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: A
EXCEPT:

1. Sunday Antiphons
2. At the Troparia
   Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 1 pp. 125-126 GREEN
   Kontakion of the Resurrection Tone 1 pp. 126-127 GREEN
3.. Scripture Readings
   Prokeimenon of the Resurrection Tone 1 p.127 GREEN
   Epistle: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11
   Alleluia of the Resurrection Tone1 p. 127 GREEN
   Gospel: Luke 5:1-11
4. Communion Hymn of Sunday