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!	**October 18, 2026**	**Slava na v'iki!**

VIGIL OF THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Oct. 17 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Oct. 18 9:00 AM +Joseph Pullella by Pullella Family

Twenty-second Week after Pentecost

Tues. Oct. 20 10:00 AM +Pat Cuccia by Michael & Emily Strickland

Wed. Oct. 21 7:30 PM Akathist Hymn to the Mother of God

Fri. Oct. 23 10:00 AM +LaDonna Rodock by Rodock Family

VIGIL OF THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENECOST

Sat. Oct. 24 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Oct. 25 9:00 AM +LaDonna and +John Rodock by Monica Koshuta

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Oct. 24 5:00 PM R. Maurice
Sun. Oct. 25 9:00 AM J. Ricca (L), P. Cooke, M. Hughes, C. Noffsinger

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Oct. 24 5:00 PM Volunteers
Sun. Oct 25 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 Office.

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TITHING & GIVING

Adults	$855.00
Building Fund	$1240.00
Holy Days	$50.00
Candles	$103.00
St. Nicholas	$36.00
	$2284.00

Tithely, September 2026 Total by Category

Offertory	$3901.44
Bldg. Fund	$523.54
Less Bank Charges	$114.03
	$4310.95

"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 October 6, 2026 was $1817
Visit www.emcbingo.com. Next Session is Tuesday, November 3, 2026

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 Spak, Mary Kisha, and Patrolman Maria Kisha.

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: Theodore Conrath, Claire Cooke, Gemma Cooke, Hannah Cooke, John Cooke, Mae Cooke, Thomas and Jennifer Cooke & Family and from the Mission, Steven Krempasky

Prayers for the Mid-term Elections. Bishop Kurt has directed that prayer to the Mother of God be offered in churches of the Eparchy of Passaic during the month of October for the elections. We will be taking one kontakion and ikos of the Akathist Hymn after each Divine Liturgy. This Wednesday we will pray the entire Akathist Hymn at 7:30 PM.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMC Communion Breakfast Today (Sunday October 18th). Epiphany Men's Club sponsors a Communion Breakfast once a month following the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy. All are invited to attend. The next Communion Breakfast is **today (Sunday October 18, 2026).**

ELG Meeting/Book Talk. The ELG will host Dr. Elaine Rusinko, author of the book, *Andy Worhol's Mother, the fascinating story of Julia Warhola,* a Carpatho-Rusyn immigrant and mother of artist, Andy Warhol. The book provides the first in-depth look at Julia's hardscrabble life,

creative imagination, and spirited personality, from the folkways of the Old Country to the smog of industrial Pittsburgh and the tumult of avant-garde New York. When & Where: Sunday, November 8th at 11:30 AM following Divine Liturgy in the Epiphany Social Hall. All Epiphany parishioners are welcome. Please RSVP to Kyra or Nancy before Oct. 19.

Rummage Sale Update. The Epiphany Rummage sale is on!! It will be held during the St. Nicolas Christmas Market on Saturday, December 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We need your old treasures!! We are collecting donations now in the old church basement. Bring your donations to the basement after church on Sundays, or see Tony Fazio on Tuesday Bingo nights. 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. Please put a note on better items so we send them to the parish center for the holiday market Dec. 5. Any questions or to volunteer to help, contact Chris Terpak Malm 703-371-4011
(Feel free to text.)

Weekly Office Schedule

Mon. 10/19	*Tues10/20*	*Wed. 10/21*	*Thurs 10/22*	*Fri. 10/23*
Jamie/ Lucie	Lucie	Jamie	Jamie & Lucie	Jamie, Lucie

PARKING LOT PAVING. Parking Lot Paving begins tomorrow, Monday October 19, at 7:00 AM. All traffic will be directed to the back entrance of the property located on Knox Road. Park only on the upper parking lot in front of the Parish Social Hall. Use the same exit to leave the property. We are assured that all paving will be completed by Monday evening and the asphalt will be drive -on- ready Monday night This includes the stripping of the parking spaces. The more we cooperate with directions, the easier it will be for the crew to finish the work on schedule.

Cornice Icons. Christine Uveges Loya plans to install two cornice icons which have been donated November 9-11. 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.

FY2025 NSSGP Epiphany of our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church – Selected. The Federal Emergency security grant we were awarded roll out process has begun. Out of 200 applications, only 36 applications were granted the awards. Epiphany of our Lord was one of the 36. Because of several delays on the government's side in 2025, we are behind in the process by one year. The grant has an end date of 2028. Now, we are putting together reports required by FEMA for approval to have the money released. The grant will be used to install security at the parish center.

Cathedral Church Envelopes Announcement. Cathedral Letter Concepts, the supplier of our offering envelopes, has informed us that parishioners may experience a delay in receiving their next envelop packet. If this happens to you, Cathedral suggests using a plain envelope and writing your name and envelope number until the envelope packet arrives in the mail. Cathedral Letter Concepts offers their apologies for any inconvenience.

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.

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.

Icons from Greece at Bible Museum. At the personal request of His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, two important Greek Orthodox monasteries that are under his supervision have generously allowed treasured Byzantine icons to travel to America for the very first time. These sacred images from Vlatadon Monastery in Thessaloniki and the Monastery of St. John the

Theologian on Patmos have borne witness to the prayers of their people, over hundreds of years of devotion. Each monastery is located in a place associated with books of the Bible—Paul preached in Thessalonica, and John received his visions of the Apocalypse on Patmos. Both monasteries are recognized as UNESCO World Heritage Sites due in large part to the exquisite quality of their Byzantine icons which play a role in the authentic practices of the Greek Orthodox faith. Exhibition November 7, 2026 – February 28, 2027. Included with admission price.

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Celebrant

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.

Financials: Collections:
Sunday,Aug.4 -$400; Sunday Aug. 31 - $2230
Sunday, Sept. 20 - $1180
September Tithely –$210.

Tithely	$215.40	
Expenses	$$5.40	*"The king, however, replied: 'I cannot sacrifice to the Lord*
Remaining	$210.00	*my God offerings that cost me nothing." , (2 Samuel 24:24)*

Fall Fest. Casey Community Center with the City of Gaithersburg Parks, Recreation & Culture Department. is excited to welcome families with young children for a fun fall outing featuring fresh fall fruits and vegetables, freshly baked breads, delicious baked treats, unique spice mixes, a balloon twister, music with DJ Tony, fun activities, giveaways, and more! This is a wonderful opportunity for parents, caregivers, and families with toddlers, preschoolers, and young children to get out of the house, enjoy the fall season, support local vendors, and connect with their community, all at no cost. **Event Details Event:** FallFest at the Casey Farmers Market **Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2026 **Time:** 11:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

PARISH USTAV

The Order for the Divine Liturgy

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke

BLUE	p. 11	Mark Divine Liturgy
GREEN	p.141	Resurrection Tone 4

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: C
EXCEPT:

1. Sunday Antiphons
2. At the Troparia
   Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 4, p. 141 GREEN
   Troparion of the Apostle, Tone 5 See below
   Kontakion of the Resurrection Tone 4 pp. 141-142 GREEN...
3. Scripture Readings:
   Prokeimenon Resurrection Tone 4 p. 142 GREEN
   Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20
   Alleluia Resurrection Tone 4 p. 142 GREEN
   Gospel: Luke 8:5-15
4. Communion Hymn of Sunday

Troparion St. Luke (Tone 5) Let us praise the holy and glorious Apostle Luke with sacred chants. For he is a living doctor who heals human weakness, the ills of souls and the sickness of nature He is the awesome writer of the Gospel of Christ and the story of the Acts of the Apostles. He recorded for the Church what had been unwritten.