

## Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

36TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF OUR HOLY FATHER JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (Tone 3)

Saturday Jan. 26 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance\*

5:30PM Divine Liturgy for a special intention

Sunday Jan. 27 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance\*

10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the Faithful of Epiphany Parish

Epistle: 1Tomothy 1:15-17 & Hebrews 7:26-8:2; Luke 18:35-43 & John 10:9-16

11:30AM ECF for children and Adult Education Class on the Prophets

Monday Jan. 28 Our Venerable Father Ephrem the Syrian

9:00AM Divine Liturgy for the health and wellness of the Sogia Family by Gina & Ken

Wednesday Jan. 30 The Three Holy Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian,

AND JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (simple Holy Day)

7:30PM Divine Liturgy for the Help of the Holy Spirit for Fr. Lewis Rabayda

on his 3rd anniversary of ordination

Friday Feb. 1 THE HOLY MARTYR TRYPHON (simple abstinence from meat)

Saturday Feb. 2 The Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon in the Temple (Solemn Holy Day)

**9:00AM** Divine Liturgy for a special intention

SUNDAY OF ZACCHEUS—SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY PROPHET SIMEON AND THE PROPHETESS ANNA (Tone 4)

Saturday Feb. 2 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance\*

5:30PM Divine Liturgy for a special intention

Sunday Feb. 3 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance\*

10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the Faithful of Epiphany Parish

Epistle: 1Tomothy 4:9-15; Luke 19:1-10

11:30AM ECF for children and Adult Education Class on the Prophets

\*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment or before and after weekday services

During the month of January, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle In memory of + Louise Campbell by Sisters Peg and Ging (Barbara Bates)

**LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Those who are ill or convalescing: Shirley Spontak, Dan Cunningham, Patricia Rabayda, and Catherine Garcia. May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies, grant them

peace and good health for many blessed years.—Please let Fr. Lewis know if anyone should be added or taken away from this prayer list.

## Christ is Born! Glorify Tim!

 Stewardship 1/6/2019
 Stewardship 1/20/2019

 Offertory
 \$3,544.00
 Offertory
 \$3,661.25

 Stewardship 1/13/2019
 Total Jan:
 \$9,194.25

 Offertory
 \$1,989.00

**CHRISTMAS GREETING:** We can use the Christmas greeting until the Feast of the Encounter on February 2.

FOSTER PARENT'S NEEDED: On Sunday February 3rd Michael McMahon—a Catholic of http://www.advocacyforfosterchildren.org/—will give a presentation in the Chapel for those who are curious or interested in the Foster Care program. Michael has been a Foster Parent for many years and is an advocate for encouraging couples to become foster parents. He speaks of the great need for foster homes and the tragedies that some of these children have gone through and the great love they need to grow and heal. Please consider attending this discussion.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS:** The class is on the prophets and will take place after the Divine Liturgy on Sundays. Come hear what the prophets have to say, especially Isaiah. The class is led by Fr. Dcn James.

**ALL SOULS SATURDAYS:** In the Byzantine tradition there are 5 All Souls Saturdays through the year where each parish prays for the deceased of it's members by individual name. The service is a Divine Liturgy for the Deceased with a Pan-

## **EVAGRIOS THE SOLITARY (345-399AD): ON PRAYER** excerpts from the Philokalia, Vol. 1

- 6. Pray with tears and all you ask will be heard. For the Lord rejoices greatly when you pray with tears.
- 7. If you do shed tears during your prayer, do not exalt yourself, thinking you are better than others. For your prayer has received help so that you can confess yours sins readily and make your peace with the Lord through your tears. Therefore do not turn the remedy for passions into a passion, and so again provoke to anger Him who has given you this grace.

10. When the demons see you truly eager to pray, they suggest an imaginary need for various things, and then stir up your remembrance of these things, inciting the intellect to go after them; and when it fails to find them, it becomes very depressed and miserable. And when the intellect is at prayer, the demons keep filling it with the thought of these things, so that it tries to discover more about them and thus loses the fruitfulness of its prayer.

## Upcoming Parish & Eparchial Events

Feb. 2 Encounter of Our Lord Solemn Holy Day

Feb. 3 Foster Parent Discussion

Feb. 10 Annual Parish Meeting

Feb. 23 1st All Souls Saturday

achida after the Ambon Prayer and before the Dismissal. If you would like your deceased family member to be included, please fill out the supplied form and return it by Feb. 17.

Annual Parish Meeting: We will be holding our Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 10th. There have been many developments since our last meeting in the fall, and some new items to discuss with the whole congregation. If you can, please plan on attending to allow for a thorough discussion.

House Blessings: It is the tradition to have one's house blessed with the Jordan Water of Theophany as soon after the feast as possible, however, because of the distances involved, we may complete the house blessings over a longer period of time. Everyone is invited to participate. You may indicate your desire for a house blessing by filling out the House Blessing Envelope and returning it in the weekly collection, or, you may call or email the parish office to schedule the time and date. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the narthex and Fr. Lewis will contact you with the best times. Please know that a stipend is not necessary, but the envelopes have been supplied for those who wish to use them.

**NEW ICONS FOR SALE:** We have some new Icons for sale. Some are specific to the upcoming Great Fast, so check out the gift shop.