



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST—SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY & MEMORY OF THE HOLY PROPHETS (Tone 1)

Saturday Mar. 9 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil for the faithful of Epiphany Parish

Sunday Mar. 10 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
9:30AM Third Hour
10:00AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil and the Mystery of Christian Initiation of Vincent Gollner and the Confirmation on Communion of Phillip Gollner
Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26,32-12:2 & Romans 6:3-11; John 1:43-51 & Matthew 28:16-20
11:45AM ECF/Adult Education classes continue

Wednesday Mar. 13 THE TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF OUR HOLY FATHER NICEPHOR, PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE (simple abstinence from meat)

7:30PM Scripture Study on the Epistle to the Hebrews
8:30PM Great Compline for the Great Fast

Friday Mar. 15 THE HOLY MARTYR AGAPIUS AND HIS COMPANIONS (simple abstinence from meat)

7:30PM Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts
8:30PM Pot-luck dinner in the narthex

Saturday Mar. 16 SECOND ALL SOULS SATURDAY—THE HOLY MARTYRS SABINUS AND PAPAS

10:00AM Divine Liturgy for those Inscribed in Our Diptics

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST—(SUNDAY OF ST. GREGORY PALAMAS—IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCHES) (Tone 1) OUR HOLY FATHER PATRICK, ENLIGHTENER OF IRELAND

Saturday Mar. 16 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil for the faithful of Epiphany Parish

Sunday Mar. 17 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
9:30AM Third Hour
10:00AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil and the Mystery of Christian Initiation of Victoria Sogja
Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 & Romans 6:3-11; Mark 2:1-12 & Matthew 28:16-20
11:20AM General Moleben for Robert Kopmar & Family by Christopher Lievano & Family
11:45AM ECF/Adult Education classes continue

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

During the month of March, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for a Special Intention by Alex Adekambi

Stewardship 3/03/2019 March Operating Budget

Offertory \$3,384.00 \$13,255

Total March: \$3,384.00

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Those who are ill or convalescing: James Murray, Deborah Deduck, 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.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS: The class is on the prophets and will resume on Sunday, March 10.

HEBREW BIBLE STUDY: Last week's Bible study on Hebrews was amazing! All who attended truly came to deeper understandings of this important text as well as the importance of Jesus Christ as our savior and what that really means in the light of the Pentateuch and the Old Testament. This week we will read chapters 3,4, & 5 and begin to talk about the High Priesthood of Jesus Christ. If you like, you may bring your own Bible and stay for a very beautiful service of Great Compline.

FR. LEWIS AWAY ON RETREAT: Fr. Lewis will be away on a personal silent retreat from Sunday afternoon until early Wednesday morning, when he will be on Quest Radio for their pledge drive. If there are any pastoral emergencies, please call your local Roman Catholic Church and/or Deacon Michael to let him know what is going on.

COURAGE AND ENCOURAGE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT EPIPHANY: We are very happy to join the Legionaires of Christ by sponsoring a "Conference on a pastoral approach to those suffering from same-sex attraction in the light Christ's merciful love" at 4:30PM on Sunday, March 31. The speaker of the conference will be Fr. Philip Bochanski, the executive director of Courage and EnCourage. These organizations are fully supported by the Catholic Church and embrace Catholic teaching in the areas of same sex attraction and for the family and loved one of those who experience

UPCOMING PARISH & EPARCHIAL EVENTS

Mar. 10 Daylight Savings Time Begins—clocks ahead 1hr. Rite of Christian Initiation of Vincent Gollner

Mar. 15 Second Pot-luck after the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

Mar. 16 2nd All Souls Saturday

Mar. 17 Rite of Christian Initiation of Victoria Sogja

Mar. 31 Courage & EnCourage Conference with Fr. Philip Bochanski in the nave 4:30PM

same-sex attraction. If you are interested in learning about this important issue, please plan on attending.

THIRD HOUR DURING THE GREAT FAST: We will be continuing to pray the Third Hour before the Sunday Divine Liturgy on Sunday's of the Great Fast. These will usually begin at 9:40AM and end just before the Divine Liturgy. However, this Sunday and next Sunday we will be having Baptisms, so the Third Hour will begin 10 minutes early so as to allow us to begin the Baptisms a little earlier than 10AM. Please consider this little bit of extra prayer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GOLLNER FAMILY! Congratulations to our new parishioners Grant and Dallas Gollner on the Baptism of their second child, Vincent Augustus Gollner and the Confirmation and Communion of their first child Phillip Eugene Gollner! We welcome you to our parish family and we pray that God grant you and your children many graces and blessings at your new spiritual home!

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIALS: There are still a few months available for offering the Sanctuary Lamp for special intentions and memorials for 2019. The suggested offering is \$50/month.

LENTEN DONATIONS: We will participate in the Baby Bottle Boomerang as an option for almsgiving outside of the parish during this Great Fast. There is often a complaint about Christians that in being Pro-Life they fight to defend the unborn child, but then seldom offer ways and means to take

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

31. Do not pray for the fulfillment of your wishes, for they may not accord with the will of God. But pray as you have been taught, saying: Thy will be done in me (cf. Luke 22:42). Always entreat Him in this way—that His will be done. For He desires what is good and profitable for you, whereas you do not always ask for this.

care of these previously unwanted children when the mothers do decide to bring them to term and allow them life. This is definitely one way in which we can all contribute to Life by offering the financial support that mothers in need require to choose life instead of death. I pray that we will be generous in our giving, so that in providing life, we too will experience an abundance of life. <https://supportheopecenter.com>

ROSWELL DANCE THEATRE: Parishioners Elizabeth and William Parnaby will be performing with the Roswell Dance Theatre in their production of “Anastasia” on March 23-24 at the Sandy Springs Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$20-28 and are available at SpringBalletConcert.com. The Atlanta Dance Theatre will perform “Peter Pan” as part of the same show, so it’s two ballets for the price of one.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH GROUNDS MAINTENANCE: This past summer we began to do our own lawn and grounds care which has saved us a huge amount of money. We are looking for additional volunteers to help with lawn maintenance this year. We found last year that it takes two people per week to cut the grass which only takes a few

hours. If we could get four additional people, the schedule would be for that person to dedicate a few hours once a month. If interested in donating your time for the beautification of our parish grounds, please contact Ed Klotz at Ed@trinitasgroup.net, or 404-901-0155.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY TO PROMOTE MOVIE ABOUT ABORTION: Our parishioner, Hanna Grace Fuchko, is in the process of beginning a Pro-Life young adult ministry and is asking for those who are interested to join. She is promoting the upcoming independent film Unplanned, which can be learned about at <https://www.unplannedfilm.com>.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY & ICON PROCESSION: We will have a joyous and busy day on Sunday, March 10. We have a Baptism, the Liturgy of Saint Basil, and an Icon Procession to commemorate the restoration of the Icons after the Iconoclastic controversy. We will be having an icon procession after the Ambon Prayer and all are invited to participate in it. You may bring your icons from home and process with them!

FASTING REGULATIONS: Every person who receives Holy Communion and is a subject of the Eparchy of Passaic is obligated to participate in the prescribed Fast. This is: no meat or dairy on Monday, Mar. 4, & Friday, April 19. No meat on all Wednesdays and Fridays of the Great Fast. Of course, Bishop Kurt Burnette and Father Lewis Rabayda encourage everyone to go further in their fasting regimen so that the celebration of Pascha is truly a joy and celebration of not only Jesus’ Resurrection, but also our own resurrection with Him! **Fr. Lewis also recommends taking off of work Good and Holy Friday, April 19 to fully enter into a day of prayer.**

NEW PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY: We will be compiling a new parish photo directory. We have not had one since the early 90’s. We realize that it is difficult to get everyone together for photographs, but we will have 3 days on which this can be accomplished. These will be scheduled in the near future, but please set these dates aside and plan to have your family portrait taken for our directory. This service is free of charge and everyone will receive one free print, but as usual, the photographs will be available for purchase. These dates are: April 5, 6, & 7.

ARE YOU LISTENING?
Atlanta’s New Catholic Radio Station is on air



featuring Atlanta’s favorite priests and ministries
March 12 - 14 8:00am - 7:00pm

LISTEN ON AIR or ONLINE NOW
on your radio during daylight hours or stream 24/7 at theQuestAtlanta.com

ATLANTA’S NEW CATHOLIC RADIO STATION: Quest 1160AM, Atlanta’s new Catholic radio station is holding it’s Spirit Drive from March 12-14 from 8am to 7pm. Fr. Lewis will appear on the drive on Wednesday, March 13th from 9-10am and will talk about his vocation story and the Byzantine Church.

DAYS OF ALLELUIA & PROSTRATIONS: The weekdays during the Great Fast are called Days of Alleluia. One aspect of this is that the Divine Liturgy is specifically not to be celebrated. This is why we have the Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts, because the Sacrifice of the Liturgy of the Eucharist is a joyous celebration, it cannot be done during a period of fasting and repentance. Also, during the weekday services we will have the opportunity to prostrate. These can be difficult with pews, but please do not feel unwelcome to enter into the isles in order to make a full prostration. A full prostration

is to make the sign of the cross, bend on both knees, place one’s hands on the floor and touch one’s forehead to the floor solemnly. Fr. Lewis will be leading these for anyone who may not be familiar.

READER INSTALLATION ON PALM SUNDAY: Those who have been training to be new Readers will have more practices on the coming Sunday afternoons with Subdeacon John Reed, please see him for the schedule. However, we will be blessing our newly trained Readers on Palm Sunday, April 14 after the Ambon Prayer. They will then be equipped to participate in the many readings of the services of Great and Holy Week.

FRIDAY PRESANCTIFIED DIVINE LITURGY AND POTLUCK: We will be celebrating the Presanctified Divine Liturgy on Friday’s of the Great Fast. This is a beautiful Lenten service where we sing about the austerity of the Fast and enter into its life-giving spirituality. We will also be holding a small pot-luck meal afterwards. In order to be prepared for it, we ask that those who wish to bring something sign up on the sheet in the narthex. See you there!

APOSTICA OF GREAT VESPERS FOR THE SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY:

“We who have turned away from the darkness of disbelief and have been enlightened by th light of knowledge, now sing our psalms of acclamation. May our praise and thanksgiving rise up to God! And let us bow with respect before the holy icons of Christ, the Mother of God and of all the saints. Let us reject the godlessness of those who do not follow the true faith. For Saint Basil has said: The veneration of the icon passes over to th one who is represented. Through the intercession of your most pure Mother and all the saints, we implore You, O Christ, to grant us your great mercy.”

APOSTICA OF THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE GREAT FAST:

“Come, let us purify ourselves by sharing with the poor, not sounding the trumpet for our almsgiving, nor making public our good deeds. May our left hand know not what our right hand does, lest vainglory rob us of our fruit! But in secret, let us say to Him who knows all secrets: Forgive us our trespasses, Father, in your goodness for mankind.