



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—POSTFESTIVE DAY OF THE DORMITION; THE HOLY MARTYRS FLORUS AND LAURUS—TONE 1

Saturday Aug. 17 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy for a special intention
Sunday Aug. 18 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Matthew 17:14-23
11:15AM Panachida for the 50th anniversary of the repose of +John Linko by Dave & Shirly Spontak

Tuesday Aug. 20 POSTFESTIVE DAY OF THE DORMITION; The Prophet Samuel and Stephen
9:00AM Divine Liturgy for a special intention

Wednesday Aug. 21 POSTFESTIVE DAY OF THE DORMITION; The Apostle Thaddeus
7:30PM Divine Liturgy for a special intention

Thursday Aug. 22 The Martyrs Agathonicus and Others
7:30PM Men's Group in the Narthex

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—THE HOLY APOSTLE TITUS—TONE 2

Saturday Aug. 24 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy for a special intention
Sunday Aug. 25 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35

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

During the month of August, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for +Jacob and Irene Sadler (Parents), by William Sadler

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Those who are ill or convalescing: Fr. Conan Timoney, Dcn. Michael Tisma, Daniel Cunningham, James Murray, Patricia Rabayda, Catherine Garcia, Helena Bates, Betty Yurchik, Betty Korkowsai, Brenda Bryant, Patricia Anne Reidy, and

Matt McMurray. 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.

Stewardship 8/04/2019 Aug. Reg Total: \$5,660.00
Offertory \$2,277.00 Aug. Cap. Imp. Total: \$1,625
Capital Imp. \$1,450 Aug. Operating Budget \$9,553
Stewardship 8/11/2019
Offertory \$3,383.00
Capital Imp. \$175

THE BLESSING OF FLOWERS AND CHILDREN'S PROCESSION: We had a wonderful and glorious celebration of the Holyday of Precept of the Dormition of the Theotokos. We had many visitors for the liturgical All-Night Vigil of Vespers and Matins with the candlelight procession of the Theotokos' Burial Shroud. Several parishioners kept vigil all night in the church and alternated chanting the Psalter, of which they did complete all 150 Psalms! These acts of communal prayer will lift all of us up and will help to further sanctify our parish. May God bless all of those who gave such special efforts to make this such a prayerful feast!

NEW ECF YEAR APPROACHING & ADULT EDUCATION: We will soon be taking registration of children for the 2019/2020 ECF year. All parish children are highly encouraged to attend these classes. The more children we have who regularly attend, the more rich the program will be and the more each child will learn as they can share with each-other and encourage one-another in their Byzantine faith. Also, we will be offering Adult Education classes the same time as the ECF classes, so that parents can learn while their children are learning, and we can all be enriched together.

UNIONTOWN PILGRIMAGE 2019: We are considering hiring transportation to go to the Uniontown Pilgrimage this year. This is an event that is in its 85th year where Byzantine Catholics come from all over the country to pray and socialize with other Byzantine Catholics. There are several Divine Liturgies, Matins, Akathists, Parastas, children and teen events, and food. There are also dorm style accommodations and camping available on-site for minimal fees. Hotels are also available. If anyone is interested, please see Fr. Lewis

UPCOMING PARISH & EPARCHIAL EVENTS

Aug. 22 Aug. Men's Group Meeting, narthex 7:30PM
Aug. 29 Aug. Women's Group Meeting, narthex 7:30PM
Aug. 30-Sept. 2 Annual Pilgrimage in Honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Mount Macrina, Uniontown, PA
Sept. 8 Catechetical Sunday: Beginning of ECF Year Adult Education begins as well
Sept. 29 Parish Founder's Day Picnic!

or Dcn. Michael for details. If we go, we will go from August 30 to September 2.

NEW PARISH CENSUS FORMS: It has been a few years since census forms have been submitted and we are asking that everyone submit their information on our new forms. There have been a few changes to the form, so please be diligent. We thank you for your cooperation.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S GROUPS: These groups provide men and women of all ages an opportunity to meet outside of liturgy to discuss spiritual topics, as well as foster community. The realities of a metropolitan area can lead to isolation of the Christian person. We live in many villages: our schools, our workplace, our sports, activities, and interests; but it seems that the most important village is sometimes neglected—the Church. These groups can help support this Church Village experience while remaining within Eastern Christian thought. This month the Men's group will meet on Aug. 22, and the Women's group on Aug. 29, both at 7:30PM in the narthex. Teenagers are welcome to attend with their parents; fathers and sons, mothers and daughters.

EVAGRIOS THE SOLITARY (345-399AD): ON PRAYER

excerpts from the Philokalia, Vol. 1

86. Spiritual knowledge has great beauty: it is the helpmate of prayer, awakening the noetic power of the intellect to contemplation of divine knowledge.

87. If you have not yet received the gift of prayer or psalmody, persevere patiently and you will receive it.



HELP AFRICAN PRIEST SERVE HIS PARISH: Fr. Dismas Kimboi is a dedicated servant of God who ministers to a home parish of 200 to 300 people as well as five outstations in the

impoverished Rufiji District of Tanzania. In addition to serving the spiritual needs of his people, father believes in facilitating educational opportunities for the children of the communities he serves. His dedication includes taking the lead on building a school for girls, who have particularly few opportunities in this country. Father also visits children away at schools to encourage their studies and he also takes part in numerous activities throughout his archdiocese. Father's work requires extensive travel over primitive roads, sometimes in excess of 110 miles. The vehicle father drove recently broke down and is irreparable. Due to the import laws of Tanzania, a replacement vehicle is prohibitively expensive for Fr. Dismas. Father prayerfully requests donations to

help him obtain a used SUV so that he may again serve his people. Please go to <http://www.gofundme.com/suv-for-ministry-of-african-priest> or scan the QR Code with your phone camera for details. Thank you for your support and prayers!

6-MONTH FINANCE MEETING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ENVELOPES: We will not be mailing out the information of the 6-month finance meeting to the entire parish. However, if anyone is interested in what was discussed at the meeting on July 21, or would like a copy of the 6-month financial report, then please ask Fr. Lewis and one will be provided. Also, please note that **Capital Improvement envelopes** have been supplied for each month. Donations in these envelopes help us with our ongoing maintenance of the church and grounds.