



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS—TONE 3

- Saturday Dec. 12** 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Vigil Divine Liturgy for +Henry Lablanc by Ken Holewinski
- Sunday Dec. 13** 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (streamed)
Epistle: Colossians 3:4-11 & Luke 14:16-24 (28th Sunday Aft. Pentecost)
- Wed. Dec. 15** 7:30PM **The Holy Martyr Eleutherius**
Emmanuel Moleben for the Phillips Fast
- Fri. Dec. 18** 12NOON **The Holy Martyr Sebastian and His Companions**
(simple abstinence from meat or equivalent penance)
Emmanuel Moleben for the Phillips Fast

SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS: SUNDAY OF THE ANCESTORS—TONE 4

- Saturday Dec. 19** 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Vigil Divine Liturgy for +Bernebé Garcia by Antonia Reidy
- Sunday Dec. 20** 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (streamed)
Epistle: Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40 & Matthew 1:1-25

2020 Nativity Liturgy Schedule

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| Dec. 24 | 9AM Royal Hours for the Nativity 7:30PM Vespers Basil Liturgy for the Nativity 9:30PM Nativity Eve Great Compline | Dec. 26 | 10AM Divine Liturgy Synaxis of the Theotokos (Solemn Holyday) 5:30PM Vigil Divine Liturgy for Sunday |
| Dec. 25 | 10AM Nativity Divine Liturgy | Dec. 27 | 10AM Sunday Divine Liturgy |

Welcome to our parish! We are glad that you have chosen to participate in the Divine Liturgy with us today and we pray that it has been a spiritually nourishing experience. If you would like to register as a parishioner or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

The Mysteries (Sacraments) of the Church are available for all Baptized Catholics in Good Standing. This means that a

Catholic attends Divine Liturgy on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation, utilizes the Mystery of Repentance at least once a year, receives the Eucharist at least once a year, observes the church's penitential seasons and fasting regulations to include abstaining from meat or an equivalent penance on all Fridays except when mitigated, supports the Church in Her temporal needs through offering of time, talent, and treasure, and believes the Church's teachings on faith and morals.

During the month of December, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for the repose of +Jacob & +Irene Sadler by William Sadler

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| Stewardship 12/06/2020 | Dec. Off. Total: | \$3,715.13 |
| Offertory \$2,702.00 | Cap. Imp. Total: | \$358.90 |
| Online Giving \$1,013.13 | Christmas. Fl & Coll. | \$25 |
| Capital Imp. \$358.90 | Retired Religious | \$5 |
| Chr. Flowers \$5 | Dec Operating Budget | \$10,868 |
| Christmas Collec. \$20 | | |
| Retired Religious \$5 | | |

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Those who are ill or convalescing: Ed Sabula, Alexandria Odish, Riordan Catton, Joseph & Joanne Baranko, Clara Vranich, Daniel Cunningham, Patricia Rabayda, Catherine Garcia, Betty Yurchik, Frank Korkowski, Patricia Anne Reidy, and Jeff Lovall. *May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies, grant them peace and good health for many blessed years.*

Also, our deployed military members: Lt. Commander William Bridges, and Sergeant Francis "Joseph" Fuchko. *May God's Divine Care and Mercy be given to them and may their Guardian Angels protect them from harm. —Please let Fr. Lewis know if anyone should be added or taken away from these lists.*

2020 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL: Our parish goal is the same as last year at \$10,800. However, if we reach or exceed our goal as we did last year, the parish will receive a rebate of 40% of that total after the campaign has concluded. **So far, 13 families have contributed \$3,775!** (no updates have been received, but we may assume other families have given) It is suggested that if each family contributes \$200, then we will meet our goal. Also, similar to last year, a parishioner would like to challenge us all by donating \$50 for a minimum donation of \$75! This will undoubtedly aid us in our goal!

SAINT NICHOLAS DAY EVENT: Thank you so much to all those who helped to decorate the church for the Nativity Season as well as all those who helped to make our Saint Nicholas Day event cheerful and sanitarilly safe. A good time was had by all.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S GROUPS CANCELED FOR DECEMBER: With all of the different events going on this month, we will be canceling our usual Men's and Women's groups and will reconvene in January.

THE PHILLIPS FAST: Before each major feast we usually have a period of fasting in which we prepare ourselves both physically and spiritually so that we may fully celebrate the feast. The Phillips Fast is our time of preparation before the Nativity of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ. There is no requirement to participate, but we are all encouraged to take up more fasting, more prayer, and more charity.



PERK ARTISAN COFFEE FUNDRAISER: We have enrolled in a fundraising program for those who enjoy excellent freshly roasted coffee. For each bag sold, the parish will receive a \$4 donation!

The coffee is shipped to your home and may be whole bean or ground. Please visit our website for the link to Perk Artisan Coffee.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY AND NEED FOR NEW PHOTO SUBMISSIONS: Yes, this directory is a year late. We have been tossed about by different internal account representatives, but ultimately it is Fr. Lewis' fault. Anyway, for those who have not had their picture taken by this company, you may submit a family photo for inclusion in the directory. Please submit this within One week, and we will make sure you are included in the directory.

ALTAR LAMP OFFERINGS NOW ACCEPTED FOR 2021: We are now accepting memorials or other intentions for the monthly Altar Lamp in 2021. Suggested offering is \$50.

FOR SALE!



Nut & Poppseed Rolls \$15 a roll