



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; THE HOLY VENERABLE MARTYR STEPHEN THE YOUNGER—TONE 2

Saturday Nov 27 4:30PM Mystery of Repentance*
 5:30PM Divine Liturgy for Fr. Milan Kasperek by David & Sarah Malakauskas

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; OUR VENERABLE AND GOD-BEARING FATHER SABBAS THE SANCTIFIER—TONE 3

Saturday Dec 4 4:30PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy for +Joesph James Regan by Ralph Regan

*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment

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.

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.

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

During the month of November, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for +Jacob & +Irene Sadler by Bill Sadler.

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Those who are ill or convalescing: Ernie & Patricia Holewinski, John Gollner, Logan Camacho, Richard Ballard, Wyatt, Dcn. James Smith, John Rooth, Suzanne Pichnarcik, Anna Cospelich, Alexandria Odish, Joseph & Joanne Baranko, Betty Yurchik, Frank Korkowski, and Patricia Anne Reidy. *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: Pvt. Hannah Fuchko, Lt. Commander William Bridges, Sergeant

Francis "Joseph" Fuchko, and Sailor David Russo.

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.

Also, our Catechumens: John Gollner, Savanna Swinehart, Victoria Foden, Ricky Marion & Bryan Cantrell. *May the Holy Spirit teach and guide them to full knowledge of Jesus Christ and His Church! Amen.*

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.: Dcn. John Reed will offer another great class from Ascension Press. If anyone would like to purchase a booklet for this course, it can be obtained here: <https://ascensionpress.com/products/jesus-the-way-the-truth-and-the-life-study-set?variant=31214877442084>

Schedule as follows:

—Break until January—

1/16: Adult Ed Session 7

1/30: Adult Ed Session 8

2/6: Adult Ed Session 9

2/13: Adult Ed Session 10

2/20: Adult Ed Session 11 (final discussions)

PERK ARTISAN COFFEE FUNDRAISER: We receive a **25% donation** of the sale price for all coffee that is purchased. The coffee is freshly roasted and delicious.

 Please visit our website for the link to Perk Artisan Coffee. Enjoy excellent coffee while donating to the parish.

CHURCH DECORATING DAY: We will have our decorating day on Dec. 4. Please join us in making our Church beautiful for the Nativity Season!

CONDOLENCES TO THE KAZANJIAN FAMILY: It is with deep sorrow that we offer our condolences to the Kazanjian family on the falling asleep in the Lord of Ginny Kazanjian, on Thursday, November 18. The family had a private internment on Saturday, Nov. 27. In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to your departed servant Ginny, and remember her forever!

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INSTRUCTORS NEEDED: We are looking to train, within a program in use by the Archdiocese of Atlanta, instructors of the Natural Family Planning methods for our parish. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the parish office.

2022 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL: Yes, it is that time again where we are asked to support the work of the Eparchy of Passaic. The Eparchy is responsible for many functions of our church and relies on Cathe draticum (8% tax of weekly collections from each parish), and this direct annual Appeal. Our parish goal is the same as last year at \$10,800. However, if we reach or exceed our goal, the parish will receive a rebate of 40% of that total after the campaign has concluded. Last year, we exceeded our goal and received back \$4,788! It is suggested that if each family contributes \$200, then we will meet our goal.

Stewardship 11/07/2021	Stewardship 11/21/2021
Offertory	\$2,381
Online Giving	\$188.83
Capital Imp.	\$225
Stewardship 11/14/2021	Thanksgiving
Offertory	\$1,922
Online Giving	\$210
Capital Imp.	\$195
Thanksgiving	\$20
Phillip's Fast	\$40
Arch of the Military	\$250
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Upcoming Events

Nov 28	Becoming Byzantine Webinar 3 4PM-5:30PM
Dec 1	First Emmanuel Moleben
Dec 4	Church Decorating Day for Nativity Season

PHILLIPS FAST HAS BEGUN: The Phillips Fast is the period of time before The Nativity of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ in which we fast and spiritually prepare to celebrate this monumental feast. Please see the insert as to possible fasting regimens which can be used as part of our spiritual preparation for the Feast of the Nativity.

BECOMING BYZANTINE : Please see a link on our website to a program the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix is sponsoring for those interested more in our Byzantine tradition. There is a Webinar and Video Series on Byzantine Faith, Worship, & Life. **Sunday, Nov. 28 is the next session.**

Changeable Parts of the Divine Liturgy

November 27/28 for the Teal Pew Book

Sunday Tone Two: p. 130
Hymn of the Incarnation: A p. 18
Thrice Holy Hymn: E p. 30
Cherubikon: F p. 47
Creed: B p. 53
Holy, Holy, Holy: C p. 57
Our Father: p. 67
"We Have Seen": B p. 83
"May Our Mouths Be Filled": B p 85
"Blessed be the Name of the Lord": B p. 88
Thanksgiving Prayers: p.95-96

EARN A MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY: Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Saints Cyril and Methodius offers a Master's Degree in Theology. Students have a choice of four M. A. T. focus areas: chaplaincy, dogmatics, liturgy, and sacred scripture. Degree options offered both online and on campus. Application deadline for Spring semester is Dec 1. Visit www.bcs.edu for more details.

SAINT NICHOLAS DAY CELEBRATION: We will have our 2021 Saint Nicholas Day Celebration on Sunday, December 5. After the Divine Liturgy, we will make our way to Regina Ceali Academy Gym at 1565 Holcomb Bridge Rd, Roswell, GA 30076. There will be activities for the children, and even a visit from Saint Nicholas himself. Please join us for this glorious feast.

Emails have gone out to ask parishioners to RSVP. Please respond to this request so that we can plan a really successful event. Later this week, food requests will be sent out as well to make sure that we have a well balanced and healthy meal.

MARTHA AND MARY GROUP: Thank you so much to the efforts of our Martha and Mary group who gathered this past Saturday. 11 Women came, prayed the Akathist to the Theotokos with Dcn. John, and assembled many baskets for those in need. May God bless you all for your generosity!

CHURCH ROOF REPLACEMENT: It has been no surprise to those attending liturgy these past few weeks that we are in the process of having the roofing (shingles) replaced on the church. This project has been needed for some time and is now being accomplished.

Fasting Regulations for the Phillips Fast

EPARCHIAL REGULATIONS: All who receive Communion in the Eparchy of Passaic are required to abstain from meat or perform an equivalent penance on Fridays of the Phillips Fast. This is the normal practice throughout the year.

FROM THE TYPICON (A GUIDEBOOK FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE LITURGY AND DIVINE OFFICE): “During this fast it was the custom to observe a strict abstinence on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and a lesser abstinence (mitigation for wine and oil) on Tuesday and Thursday. The fast is observed more strictly from December 10 (in some traditions) or from December 20 (in other traditions), with

daily strict abstinence, and a mitigated abstinence (wine and oil) on Saturday and Sunday. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season. This fast may be observed voluntarily, partially, or in its entirety.”

POSSIBLE FASTING REGIMINES: Here are a variety of fasting possibilities for those who find the spiritual benefit of challenging themselves to a deeper participation in the Phillips Fast. One can start simple and increase the difficulty as the Fast progresses. **Either way, all are encouraged to do more than the minimum, except the elderly, pregnant, small children, and those with special medical issues.**

Fasting Required by our Eparchy

Sunday No Fasting	Monday No Fasting	Tuesday No Fasting	Wednesday No Fasting	Thursday No Fasting	Friday Abstain from meat	Saturday No Fasting
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Option 1 Fasting

Sunday No Fasting	Monday No Fasting	Tuesday No Fasting	Wednesday Abstain from meat	Thursday No Fasting	Friday Abstain from meat	Saturday No Fasting
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Option 2 Fasting

Sunday No Fasting	Monday Abstain from meat	Tuesday No Fasting	Wednesday Abstain from meat	Thursday No Fasting	Friday Abstain from meat	Saturday No Fasting
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Option 3 Fasting

Sunday No Fasting	Monday Abstain from meat	Tuesday Abstain from meat	Wednesday Abstain from meat	Thursday Abstain from meat	Friday Strict Abstinence	Saturday No Fasting
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Special Notes

The tradition also suggests that fish with a backbone is considered flesh and meat, however, any type of shellfish is permitted all days of the fast. It is also the tradition that both wine and oil are abstained from as well; this may have been because of their storage in animal skins, but either way, alcohol is good to abstain from during fasting periods.