

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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-Schedule of Divine Services-

Sunday of the Prodigal Son; Post-Festive Day of the Meeting in the Temple—Tone 2 $\,$

Saturday Feb. 4	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance
	5:30PM	Vigil Divine Liturgy for the repose of +Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Bragg Family
Sunday Feb. 5	10:00AM	Mystery of Repentance Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish with the blessing of candles (live streamed) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 & Gospel: Luke 15:11-32 ECF & Adult Education Ezekiel Ch. 19-24
Wednesday Feb. 8		Post-Festive of the Meeting; The Holy Great Martyr Theodore; Prophet Zechariah Divine Liturgy for the repose of +Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Bragg Family
Friday Feb. 10		The Holy Martyr Charalampas (simple abstinence from meat)
Saturday Feb. 11		1st All Souls Saturday; Memory of all the Faithful Departed
	10AM	Divine Liturgy with Panachida of All Names in our Dyptics
Meatfare Sunda	y; Our Hol	Y FATHER MELETIUS—TONE 3
Saturday Feb. 11		Mystery of Repentance Vigil Divine Liturgy for Jeffrey Howard by K. Howard
Sunday Feb.12		Mystery of Repentance Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9.2 & Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 Meatfare Pot-Luck Picnic
		*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Those who are ill or convalescing: Stephanie & Bernie Pardee, Ihor Bilyy, Robin Cutcuin, Fr. Robert Stash, Patricia Reed, Mario Marione, Brenda Bryant, Ernie & Patricia Holewinski, John Gollner, Logan Camacho, John Rooth, Suzanne Pichnarcik, and Anna Cospelich. *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. Bryan Buck, Pvt. Michael Fuchko, Sailor David Russo, Sergeant Francis "Joseph" Fuchko, and Commander William Bridges. *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.

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. **BULLETIN CORRECTION:** Last week prayers for the week of the Prodigal Son were included in the bulletin, but this was a mistake, the prayers for the Publican & the Pharisee should have been included, but they have been included this week. If you have been adding them to your daily prayers, then it's ok to use these this week, as you have already prayed about the Prodigal Son last week.

THANK YOU! Thank you so much for the wonderful card and all of your prayerful messages on my 7th anniversary of ordination! May God grant you all many years!—Fr. Lewis

MEATFARE & CHEESEFARE PICNICS: We will again have pot-luck picnics on both Sundays in February. Meatfare is on Sunday, Feb. 12, and this is the date we will celebrate our Monthly Birthdays and Anniversaries. If one will be adhering to the traditional fast (which is not required by law), then Feb. 12 will be the final day to eat meat before the celebration of Pascha. On this day, we can celebrate by bringing our favorite and ethnic meat dishes to share with our parish community—Gyro Meat and fixings will be provided. The Cheesefare picnic will be on Feb. 19, and all are invited to bring their favorite dairy dishes (no meat allowed).

MEATFARE WEEK: Again, if one is adhering to the traditional fast, then the week of meatfare (Feb. 6-Feb. 12), we should be cleaning out our refrigerator of the meat products we have, so there will be none left by the evening of Feb. 12, Meatfare Sunday.

*GIVING ENVELOPES DELAYED: Our printer said the envelopes will be sent to us sometime in February. 2023 Liturgical Wall Calendars are now available!

*2022 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL: No updates recently, but so far, 25 families have contributed \$10,245 towards our goal of \$10,800! If we reach or exceed our goal, the parish will receive a rebate of 40% of that total after the campaign has concluded.

***PAVILION PROJECT UPDATE:** Quotes are being procured for some work involved in the project based on survey questions. Survey will be approved after quotes received. There will be a meeting with the parish before we enter into the final stages of this project, as it has grown in size and will cover many sections of the property based on Roswell's requirements.

BLESSING OF HOMES: If you would like to have your home blessed, which is our custom after Theophany, please contact the parish office, and we will schedule a date as soon as possible.

ALTAR LAMP MEMORIALS:

All months in 2023 have now been reserved—thank you.

PROPHET EZEKIEL CLASS: Learn about the Babylonian captivity and the visions that Ezekiel had. Hear the story of how the dead bones of Israel come to life. The class will run concurrent with the Sundays of ECF.

ALL-SOULS SATURDAYS: Each year beginning before the Great Fast, we have special liturgies at which we pray a Panachida for the deceased of our families. We will have Divine Liturgies for the first and last All-Souls Saturday, and we will have Panachidas on Friday nights after the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts during the Fast for the remaining 3 All-Souls Saturdays. You will need to resubmit your names each year with an accompanying stipend, the current Eparchial suggested stipend is \$50. Names will need to be submitted by Wednesday, Feb. 8. The first All-Souls Saturday is Feb. 11 at 10AM.

— Since many have protestant family members, please note that the names will be prayed for during the Panachida, so we will be able to pray for those outside of the Catholic communion.

During the month of February, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for +Richard Ballard by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Limongello

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 8 All-Souls names Due
- Feb. 11 First All-Souls Saturday Divine Liturgy
- Feb. 12 Meatfare Picnic
- Cheesefare Picnic & Forgiveness Vespers Feb. 19
- Feb. 20 Clean Monday: First Day of the Great Fast

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Stewardship 1/29/2023			
Offertory	\$1,466		
Online Giving	\$228.83		
Capital Improveme	ent \$70		

Cap. Imp. Total: Jan. Op. Budget

Jan. Off. Total: \$19,009.88 \$825 \$10,250

Changeable Parts of the Divine Liturgy February 4/5 for the Teal Pew Book Sunday of the Prodigal Son/Post-Feast Meeting

Vigil Divine Liturgy: p. 104 Propers Tone 2: p. 128

Sunday Antiphons: p. 14 Hymn of the Incarnation: A p. 18 Tropar. T2 p.130 & Tropar. Meeting p. 321 Kontak. Prodigal Son p. 216 & Kontak. Meeting p. 321 Thrice Holy Hymn: E p. 30 Cherubikon: B p. 43 Creed: B p. 53 Holy, Holy, Holy: B p. 56 "We praise you, we bless you...": B p. 59 Our Father: Tone 2 p. 67 "We Have Seen": A p.82 "May Our Mouths Be Filled": A p.84 "Blessed be the Name of the Lord": A p. 88 Thanksgiving Prayers: p.95-96

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

-consider adding these to your daily prayers-

One theme present in the parable of the Publican and the Pharisee is humility of prayer. We should always be aware of the sins that we commit, and not boast about the good that we do.

Apostica of Vespers

T5 Glory: Because of my sins my eyes are weighed down, and I can no longer raise them up to see the light of heaven. Bur grant that I may repent like the Publican; O Lord, have mercy on me. *Now and ever:* O Most pure Virgin, you are the temple, the gate, the palace, and the throne of the King. Christ, our Redeemer and Lord, appeared through you to those who slumbered in darkness. For He, as the Sun of Righteousness, wished to enlighten those whom He created with His own hands according to his own image. Therefore, O Lady, whom we always praise in song, we beseech you to intercede with Christ for the salvation of our souls; for, as his mother, you can approach Him with the greatest confidence.

Kontakia

T4 Let us flee from the boasting of the Pharisee, and let us learn the humility of the Publican; let us say to our Savior: Forgive us, O Lord, for You alone are generous in your mercy.

T3 Let us offer the Lord sighs like the publican. As sinners, let us fall before him, our Master; for he wills the salvation of everyone. He grants forgiveness to all who repent for, while remaining God, co-eternal with the Father, he took flesh for our sakes.

IKOS OF MATINS

O faithful, let us all humble ourselves. With tears and sighs let us strike our conscience, so that on the day of eternal judgment we may e found without reproach and may obtain forgiveness. For this is the true repose that we hope to see one day and for which we now pray. It is the repose from which all pain, sorrow and sighing are absent. It is the marvelous garden and the new Eden which Christ has gained for us, for He is the Word of God and co-eternal with the Father.

HYMN OF LIGHT OF MATINS

Glory: Let us cast far from us the pride of the Pharisee, and let us learn the prefect humility of the Publican so that we may be exalted and say with him: Lord, forgive your servants, for You were born of the Virgin, O Christ our God, and freely You suffered even to the Cross, and by your divine power You have raised the world with You. *Now and ever:* The Author of creation and the God of the universe has taken mortal flesh from

your womb, O Mother of God; He has completely renewed my corrupted nature. And we the faithful now sing: Rejoice, O glory of the universe.

