

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

Third Sunday of the Great Fast: Veneration of the Holy Cross—Tone 7 — (Daylight Savings Time)					
Saturday Mar. 11		Mystery of Repentance Vigil Divine Liturgy of St. Basil for Fr. John Azar by James & Theresa Reichard with Veneration of the Holy Cross			
Sunday Mar. 12	10:00AM	Mystery of Repentance Divine Liturgy of St. Basil for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 & Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 with Veneration of the Holy Cross ECF & Adult Education Ezekiel Ch 37-42			
Wednesday Mar. 15 6:30PM		Mid-Lent Holy Martyr Agapius & His Companions (abstinence from meat) Great Compline			
Friday Mar. 17	6:30PM	Venerable Father Alexis, Man of God; Holy Father Patrick, Enlightener of Ireland (abstinence from meat) Presanctified Divine Liturgy for the repose of +Ann Dias by David & Sarah Malakauskas with the 4th All Souls Panachida for those inscribed in our Dyptics			
Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast: Our Holy Father John Climacus—Tone 8					
Saturday Mar. 18	5:30PM	Mystery of Repentance Vigil Divine Liturgy of St. Basil for Daniel Malakauskas by Sandra Malakauskas Birthday & Anniversary Blessing with a relic of the True Cross			
Sunday Mar. 19	10:00AM 6:45PM	Mystery of Repentance Divine Liturgy of St. Basil for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: Hebrews6:13-20 & Ephesians 5:9019 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31 & Matthew 4:25-5:12 Birthday & Anniversary Blessing with a relic of the True Cross Monthly Picnic — ECF — Adult Education Ezekiel Ch 43-48			
		*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment			

*2022 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL: So far, 31 families have contributed \$13,305 towards our goal of \$10,800! We have now exceed our goal, and the parish will receive a rebate of 40% of that total after the campaign has concluded, which will currently be \$5,322! Thank you so much for your generosity! MARCH MONTHLY PICNIC: We will be having out monthly picnic on Sunday, March 19 along with our monthly birthday celebrations. We are not celebrating this at the beginning of the month because of how our other picnics fall in both Feb, & Apr. Please refrain from bringing meat products, as some are adhering to the traditional fast. Remember to keep a "spirit" of the fast when possible. During the month of March, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for +Mykola & +Paraskevia Scheremeta by Mike & Irene Laschuk

ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS & CONCORDI LEATITIA CHOIR: Nine months before the Nativity of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ is when He was conceived in the Womb of Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit. This Feastday is Saturday, March 25th, and we will celebrate liturgy at 10AM. We will also have a special guest joining us again, members of the Concordi Leatitia Choir will be leading the responses for this liturgy.

GROUNDS CREW CALL: We will soon begin our weekly grounds cleaning schedule. Helping out with this ministry for the parish is good for camaraderie and also helps the parish save a large amount of money by not having to hire a service to keep our grounds looking tidy and pleasing. Mike M. sets a schedule from March to December on a rotating schedule, so, the more who volunteer, the less frequently each person will need to be scheduled. Call or email the parish office, or see Mike Madrigal.

CHANGES TO SUNDAY LITURGY: You may notice that during the Fast we replace the usual Sunday Antiphons with the Typical Psalms and the Beatitudes. This is a liturgical option for us, and some churches choose to pray them during fasting periods. The Beatitudes are some of the basic teachings of Christ, and it is beneficial for us to contemplate these teachings during the fast, so we can once again apply them to our lives the whole year long. Blessed Fast to all.

PAVILION PROJECT UPDATE: 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.

JOBS IN DENVER: Sophia Montessori Academy, a Byzantine Catholic School in Denver, Colorado, is hiring for the 2023-2024 school year! We are looking for faithful and dedicated teachers to join us in our mission to provide an exceptional education to children ages 3-9. Our job openings include an Office Manager, a Primary Montessori Guide, a Support and After Care Lead, and an Assistant Teacher. Learn more about our openings on our website: sophiamontessori.com/employment or email a resume and letter of interest to Pauline Meert at info@sophiamontessori.com.

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Those who are ill or convalescing: Fr. John Azar, Barbara Vincent, 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.

Upcoming Social Events

Mar. 19	Monthly Birthday Celebration & Picnic (no meat please)
Apr. 16	Thomas Sunday Picnic & Easter Egg Hunt
May 7	Mother's Day Picnic
June 17	Float Down The River, Father's Day Picnic In Ellijay (rain date: June 24)

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Stewardship 3/05/2023				
Offertory	\$3,818			
Online Giving	\$579.78			
Capital Improveme	ent \$175			

Feb. Off. Total: Cap. Imp. Total: Mar. Op. Budget

\$4,397.78 \$175 \$8,302

Changeable Parts of the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil March 11/12 for the Teal Pew Book 3rd of Fast, Veneration of the Cross

Vigil Divine Liturgy of St. Basil: p. 104 Propers Tone 7: p. 154

Typical Psalms 1&2 *simple form* A: p. 16 Hymn of the Incarnation: B p. 19 Beatitudes (in place of 3rd antiphon) p. 23 Tropar. T7 p.156 Tropar. Cross p.223 & Kontak. p. 224 "We Bow to Your Cross" (in place of Holy God): B p. 33 **Cherubikon: F p. 47** Creed: A p. 52 Holy, Holy, Holy: Basil Melody A p. 96 "We praise you, we bless you...": Basil Melody A p. 98 **Our Father: Tone 4 Podoben p. 74 "We Have Seen": B p.83 "May Our Mouths Be Filled": B p.85 "Blessed be the Name of the Lord": B p. 88**

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK AFTER THE SUNDAY OF THE CROSS

—consider adding these to your daily prayers—

During his middle week of the Fast, we focus on the Cross of Christ and it's saving power. Note, how the Cross is spoken of as a sword piercing the depths of Hades, and how by Jesus enduring the Cross, the Satan has been vanquished

Apostica of Vespers

T4 Glory... now and ever: O Lord, You assisted David in battle to overcome the godless ones; with the weapon of your Cross, help us to drive back our enemies, Show us Your love as You did before, so that the people might know in truth that You are our God, and that our victory comes from You. Your Mother intercedes unceasingly that we may be granted your great mercy.

KONTAKION

No longer does the flaming sword guard the gates of Eden; for on them one finds the most glorious seal, the Tree of the Cross. By it the sorrow of death and the victory of the Abyss have been conquered. For You, O my Savior, stood and called out to those in the Abyss: Enter again into Paradise.

IKOS OF MATINS

Pilate set up three crosses on Golgotha, two for the thieves and one for the Lord of life. Seeing this Hades asked its servants: Who has driven this spear into my heart? A wooden lance has pierced me, and I am torn apart. What pain has penetrated my womb and my hear, what sorrow stabs my spirit? I am force to give up Adam and his children, those whom I had received from the forbidden Tree, for a new Tree leads them to enter again into Paradise.

HYMN OF LIGHT OF MATINS

Glory: Today we see the precious Cross of Christ placed before us; let us venerate it in joy as we bow before it; and let us beseech the Lord who was crucified on it, that He may grant us the grace to contemplate his holy and glorious Resurrection.

Now and ever: We bow before the Cross, O Virgin, where your Son stretched out his most pure hands for our salvation. Grant us peace that we may contemplate the holy Passion which saved us, and the bright day of the Pasch of the Lord, which brings joy to all the world.

