

## Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS; TONE 6 (LEAVE-TAKING OF THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION)

Saturday Sept 20 4:30-5PM Mystery of Repentance (Confession)

5:30PM Vigil Divine Liturgy for Sam Calo by the Bragg Family

Sunday Sept 21 9-9:30AM Mystery of Repentance (Confession)

10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed)

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20; Gospel: Mark 8:34b-9:1

Panachida for the Repose of +Charlie Kirk by Nicholas Fuchko

ECF for Children & Adult Education Class

Friday Sept 26 The Falling Asleep of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian

OUR HOLY FATHER PAUL VI, POPE OF ROME (Simple Abstinence from Meat)

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; TONE 7; OUR VENERABLE FATHER CHARITON; THE HOLY PROPHET BARUCH

Saturday Sept 27 4:30-5PM Mystery of Repentance (Confession)

5:30PM Vigil Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish

**Sunday Sept 28** 9-9:30AM Mystery of Repentance (Confession)

10:00AM Divine Liturgy for the repose of +Fr. Ken W. Bayer MSFS by Paul Sedor (live streamed)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 Panachida for the Repose of +Fr. Ken W. Bayer ECF for Children & Adult Education Class

\*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment

During the month of September, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for the

Living & Deceased Members of the Evanco Family by Carol Evanco

 Stewardship 09/21/2025
 Sept Off. Total:
 \$9418.52

 Offertory
 \$2800.50
 Cap. Imp. Total:
 \$320.00

 Capital Imp.
 \$100.00
 September Total
 \$9738.52

 Online Giving
 \$791.99
 Sept. Op. Budget
 \$11,699.15

**EPARCHIAL PRIEST RETREAT THIS WEEK:** This week Father Lewis will be out of town Mon-Fri on an Eparchial Priest Retreat in Pennsylvania. He will be back late Friday in time for the weekend (Sat/Sun) liturgies as usual, but there will be no weekday (Tues/Thurs) liturgy this week. For any sacramental emergencies, please contact your nearest Catholic church.

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY:** The children's catechism class begins this Sunday, September 21, after liturgy.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS CONTINUES:** Also this Sunday, September 21, the adult class will continue with the minor Prophet Hosea after liturgy.

LITURGICAL POSTURES ADVISORY: As we continue to increase our understanding and accuracy in the proper and traditional liturgical postures, let us be mindful of when to sit, stand, and bless ourselves. In the teal pew books, there are notes in red lettering that say when the faithful may sit or stand during liturgy. The proper way to read this is that "the faithful may sit" is generally for those who cannot remain standing, such as the elderly, disabled, or sick. This is usually during the several litanies, where the faithful reply "Lord Have Mercy" and so on. Standing is the proper posture during all of these, as well as at the beginning of the liturgy when the celebrant moves to the front of the altar table. The appropriate times to sit are before liturgy begins, during the reading of the Epistle, and during the homily. At all other times, the faithful stand throughout the liturgy, according to the proper tradition. As for blessing ourselves, it is proper to make the sign of the cross at every mention of the Three Persons of the Trinity together. With these notes in mind, we may better worship Our Lord Jesus Christ in the most proper and reverent way, according to the traditions of our faith.



Sounds of Sawnee Concert Band: Our very own Gary and Diane Bushko are members of the Sounds of Sawnee Concert Band, and they have an upcoming Fall Concert. \*\*The First

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Those who are ill or convalescing: Paulo DosReis, Fr. Maximos, Patricia Rabayda, Tim Watson, Paul Cincoski, Fr. Robert Stash, Sally Baer, Cathy Bowen, Andrew Reidy, Patricia Moyle, Robert Pardee, Mary Rinik, Mario Marione, Ernie & Patricia Holewinski, John Gollner, and Anna & Catherine 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: Cadet Hanna Fuchko, Pvt. Bryan Buck, Sailor David Russo, and Cmdr. 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.

Fall Concert was canceled. The Second Fall Concert will take place Sunday, September 28 at 3:00PM at the Sexton Hall Enrichment Center. The address is 2115 Chloe Road, Cumming GA, 30041. The Second Fall Concert has an admission fee of \$10 if tickets are purchased in advance and \$15 if purchased at the door. Tickets may be purchased using the QR Code. Please consider attending this opportunity to experience wonderful local music!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Those couples who are celebrating a Wedding anniversary of 5-year increments in either 2025 or 2026 are asked to notify the parish office so that a certificate can be made out to you in January. There will be a Divine Liturgy celebrated for those couples by Bishop Kurt on January 17, 2026 at Saint Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, Orlando, FL at 11AM. Please let the parish office know if you would like to attend this liturgy.

**BYZIKIDS SEPTEMBER 2025 EDITION:** In this edition, you'll journey through the world of the Early Church Fathers. The holy men who helped shape the Church in its earliest days. This issue is packed with faith, fun, and learning! Use the QR Code below to access the online version of this month's edition.



## 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. Those seeking Sacramental Marriage should contact the parish 1 year in advance.



https://becomingbyzantine.updates.church

## **Upcoming Social Events**

Sept. 21 ECF for Children

Oct. 5 Founders' Day Celebration

Nov. 2 Monthly Picnic

Dec. 7 Saint Nicholas Party

## Changeable Parts in the Teal Pew Book Sept. 20/21 Sunday After the Exaltation of the Cross

Vigil Liturgy begins on p. 104; Tone 6 on p. 149

(Sun) 1st & 2nd Festal Antiphons: p. 253 (Sun) Hymn of the Incarnation: C p. 21 (Sun) 3<sup>rd</sup> Post-festive Antiphon: p. 259 (Sun) Post-festive Entrance Hymn: p. 259 (Sun) Troparion & Kontakion p. 255 We Bow to Your Cross, B p. 33 Prokeimenon & Alleluia: p260 Cherubikon: B p. 43 Creed: Ap. 51 Thrice Holy Hymn: C p. 57 We Praise You...: B p. 59 Magnification and Irmos: p. 256 Our Father: Tone 6 p. 71 Communion Hymn: A p. 78 "We have seen...": A p. 82 "May Our Mouths be filled.": C p. 86 "Blessed be the Name of the Lord": B p. 88 Thanksgiving Prayers: p.95-96 Panachida for the deceased: p. 432