



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

MEATFARE SUNDAY; TONE 2; THE HOLY GREAT MARTYR THEODORE; THE HOLY PROPHET ZECHARIAH

Saturday Feb 7	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	5:30PM	Vigil Divine Liturgy for +Abbot Nicholas Zachariadis by David & Sarah Malakauskas
Sunday Feb 8	9-9:30AM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) with the Office of Christian Initiation of Tuan Dahn (Baptism) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2; Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46
	11:45AM	New Dad's Class
	NOON	Meatfare Picnic: the theme is "Meat"

Tuesday Feb 10 CHEESEFARE TUESDAY; THE HOLY MARTYR CHARALAMPAS

7:00PM	Divine Liturgy for Jack Blue by the Bragg Family
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Thursday Feb 12 CHEESEFARE THURSDAY; OUR HOLY FATHER MELITUS, ARCHBISHOP OF ANTIOCH

7:00PM	Divine Liturgy for +Ann & +Tom Coulter & All Holy Souls in Purgatory by Antonia Reidy
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Friday Feb 13 CHEESEFARE FRIDAY; OUR VENERABLE FATHER MARTINIAN (SIMPLE ABSTINENCE)

CHEESEFARE SUNDAY; TONE 3; THE HOLY APOSTLE ONESIMUS; THE TWENTY-ONE COPTIC MARTYRS IN LIBYA

Saturday Feb 14	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	5:30PM	Vigil Divine Liturgy for +Juraj Kasperek by Sandra Malakauskas
Sunday Feb 15	9-9:30AM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: Romans 13:11b-14:4; Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21 Cheese fare Picnic: Theme is "Dairy."

*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment

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

**+Mykola and +Maria Laschuk
by Michael & Irene Laschuk**

ADULT BAPTISM THIS SUNDAY: Congratulations to Tuan Dahn, as he prepares for Baptism into the Body of Christ this Sunday, February 8 (rescheduled due to weather). He will be fully initiated (Baptized, Chrismated, and Communicated) during the Sunday liturgy on February 8. Please keep Tuan in your prayers as he enters into a Life in Christ.

Stewardship 02/01/2026	Feb. Off. Total:	\$3438.54
Offertory \$3160.00	Cap. Imp. Total:	\$20.00
Capital Imp. \$20.00	Feb. Total	\$3458.54
Online Giving \$278.54	Feb. Op. Budget	\$11,977.24

MEATFARE PICNIC THIS SUNDAY: February 8 is Meatfare Sunday. We will have our first of two parish picnics for February after liturgy that day. There is no

specific theme, just bring meat (and other appropriate side dishes)! **Cheesefare Picnic will be next Sunday, February 15.** Please bring dairy-focused and shellfish dishes and appropriate sides. Thank you!

CLASS FOR NEW DADS: Fathers young (and old) are invited to join parishioner John Fuchko for the second class after Divine Liturgy on February 8. John will share perspectives grounded in our Catechism, Scripture, and in his own experience as a father of 12.

THE NEW SHED HAS ARRIVED! Electricity is almost finished being installed, with HVAC following soon. After those are done, we will begin filling and organizing the new shed, so please bear with us just a little longer with the clutter. In your offertory envelopes you should see Capital Improvement envelopes as well. Those can be used to give toward this and other improvement projects that we have coming over the next several months.

2025 ANNUAL BISHOPS APPEAL: Our goal is the same as the last few years, \$10,800. If we reach our goal by June 1 2026, we will receive a 40% rebate. We have met this goal 5 years running, so giving to the Bishop's Appeal is giving to our parish! Please let us know if you need an envelope, we have them in the office. **So far 16 families have donated a total of \$5,575!**

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Those who are ill or convalescing: Sally Baer, Jane Berke Cathy Bowen, Anna & Catherine Cospelich, Robert Scott DeBell, Paulo DosReis, Angela Free, Ernie & Patricia Holewinski, Katherine Lydon, Mario Marione, Fr. Maximos, Patricia Moyle, Patricia Rabayda, Andrew Reidy, Anthony Regan, Marisol Reyes, Mary Rinik, Allyson Scalzi, Fr. Robert Stash, Will Saint-Fleur, and Tim Watson. *May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies, grant them peace and good health for many blessed years.*

Our deployed military members: Pvt. Bryan Buck, 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.*

PYSANKY WORKSHOP AT EPIPHANY: Pysanky is the Slavic tradition of designing and dying eggs specifically for the Paschal Season. There are many traditional patterns and colors used. We will be holding our own Pysanky Workshop here at Epiphany from 10AM-4PM on Saturday, February 28. At this class, you will be able to learn the traditional symbols and techniques used to produce these works of art. If you do not have a kit from last year, please order a stylus for the class (or the full kit if you want to do it at home) from the website www.UkrainianGiftShop.com. There is a \$10 cover fee for the eggs, dye, wax, and other supplies used in the class. Please RSVP to Irene Laschuk at laschuki@gmail.com by Monday, February 16. Space is limited, so reserve your spot early!



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

Feb 8	Meatfare Picnic
Feb 15	Cheesefare Picnic
Feb 28	Pysanky Class

Changeable Parts in the Teal Pew Book (Feb 7/8) Meatfare Sunday

Vigil Liturgy begins on p. 104;
Tone 2 on p. 128

- (Sun) Office of Christian Initiation Booklet
(Sun) Troparion & Kontakion: See Handout
(Sat) "Holy God": B p. 28
(Sun) "All you who have been baptized": p. 31
Prokeimenon & Alleluia: See Handout
Cherubikon: A p. 42
Creed: B p. 53
Triumphal Hymn: A p. 56
"We Praise You": A p. 58
"It is truly proper:" p. 62
Our Father: Tone 2 p. 67
Communion Hymn: See Handout
"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
Beneath Your Compassion: p. 454

A SIMPLE SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK AFTER MEATFARE SUNDAY

—consider adding these to your daily prayers—

One theme present in the parable of the Sheep and the Goats is the assurance of a final judgment. The peoples of the world will be judged by Jesus Christ according to how they interacted with the least of their brethren. However, even though we are sinful, we call upon the incredible mercy of God to forgive us our sins.

THE USUAL BEGINNING PRAYERS

Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy *on* us.
Amen.

Glory to you, our God,
glory *to* you.

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth,
everywhere present and filling all things,
Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life,
come and dwell within us,
cleanse us of all stain,
and save our souls, O *gracious* One.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal,
have mercy *on* us. (*3 times with a bow*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us;
Lord, cleanse us of our sins;
Master, forgive our transgressions;
Holy One, come to us and heal our infirmities for
your name's sake.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us *from* evil.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have *mercy*.

Come, let us worship our King and God,
Come, let us worship Christ, our King and God,
Come, let us worship and bow down before Jesus Christ, the *King* and our God.

PSALM 50

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my *offense*.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from *my* sin.

My offenses truly I know them;
my sin is always *before* me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
what is evil in your sight I *have* done.

That you may be justified when you give sentence
and be without reproach when *you* judge,
O see, in guilt I was born,
a sinner was I *conceived*.

Indeed you love truth in the heart;
then in the secret of my heart teach *me* wisdom.
O sprinkle me with hyssop, then I shall be clean;
O wash me, I shall be whiter *than* snow.

Make me hear rejoicing and gladness,
that the bones you have crushed *may* thrill.
From my sins turn away your face
and blot out all *my* guilt.

A pure heart create for me, O God;
put a steadfast spirit *within* me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your *holy* spirit.

Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervor *sustain* me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return *to* you.
O rescue me, God, my helper,
and my tongue shall ring out *your* goodness.
O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare *your* praise.

For in sacrifice you take no delight,
burnt offering from me you would *refuse*,
my sacrifice, a contrite spirit,
a humbled, contrite heart you will *not* spurn.

In your goodness, show favor to Zion:
rebuild the walls of *Jerusalem*.
Then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice,
burnt offerings wholly consumed,
then you will be offered young bulls on *your* altar.

APOSTICA OF VESPERS

T8 Glory: Alas! O my darkened soul, how long will you persist in sin? How long will you lie in laziness? Why do you not think of the dreadful hour of death? Do you not fear the awesome judgment seat of the Savior? How will you defend yourself? How will you be vindicated? Your works are there to convict you, and your actions witness against you. Moreover, time is growing short, O my soul; hasten and cry out in faith: I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned: but I know your love and your mercy. O Good Shepherd, in your goodness, do not deprive me of a place at your right hand.

Now and ever: O Virgin, you have never known wedlock, yet you conceived God in the flesh in a

manner which words can never describe. You thus became the Mother of God on high. O Immaculate Lady, receive the supplication of your servants and grant us the cleansing of our sins. Accept now our prayers and beseech God to save all of us.

KONTAKION

When you come to the earth in glory, O God, and the universe trembles and a river of fire flows before your judgment seat and the books are opened and everything hidden is revealed, deliver me then from the unquenchable fire and make me worthy to stand at your right hand, O most righteous Judge.

IKOS OF MATINS

When I think of your fearful judgment and the day of your justice, O Lord of goodness, I tremble with fear; for my conscience accuses me. When You shall be seated upon the throne to ring the entire world before You in trial, no one will be able to deny sins; for truth shall triumph and no one will dare dispute. The fires of Hades will crackle and sinners grind their teeth. But You, O Lord, have mercy on me and spare me, O righteous Judge.

AT THE PRAISES

I meditate upon that awesome day when we shall all stand naked as the condemned, to appear before the impartial Judge. Then the trumpet shall sound aloud, and the foundations of the earth shall shake. The dead shall come forth from their tombs, and all shall be as newborn children; all our secrets will be uncovered before You. Those who have not repented shall weep and sigh, and shall be sent to the outer fire; but the flock of the Just shall rejoice, and with joy they shall take their place in the heavenly abode.

What fear shall reign on that day, when the Judge will be seated on his awesome throne! The books will be opened and deeds revealed; the works of darkness shall be made known. Come, all you princes and kings, slaves and free, just and sinners,

poor and rich, for the Judge is coming to settle accounts with the whole world. Who will be able to bear his sight, when the angels are witnesses to uncover our deeds, thoughts and desires, those by day and those by night? O what fear there shall be on that day! But before the end, O my soul, hasten to cry out: I am returning to You, O Lord; save me in your goodness.

Tone 8: Daniel the prophet, a man greatly beloved, having seen the power of God, cried out: God is seated in judgment, and the books are opened. O my soul, if you fast, do not deceive your neighbor. If you abstain from food, do not judge others, lest you go to be burned like wax in the fire. But may Christ lead you freely to his heavenly kingdom.

Tone 1 Glory: O faithful, let us purify ourselves by repentance, the queen of virtues. Behold, it bring us an abundance of blessings. It dresses the wounds of the passions; it reconciles sinners with the Master. therefore, let us embrace it with joy and cry out to Christ our God: You are risen from the dead; keep us free from condemnation, for we glorify You as the only sinless One.

Now and ever: You are truly most blessed, O virgin Mother of God. Through the One who was incarnate of you, Hades was chained, Adam revived, the curse wiped out, Eve set free, Death put to death, and we ourselves were brought back to life. That is why we cry out in praise: Blessed are You, O Christ our God, who finds in this your good pleasure. Glory to You!

THE DISMISSAL

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever and forever. Amen.

More honorable than the Cherubim,
and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim,
who, a virgin, gave birth to God, the Word;
you, truly the Theotokos, we magnify.

Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy *on* us.
Amen.