



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; THE HOLY UNMERCINARY PHYSICIANS CYRUS & JOHN; TONE 4

Saturday June 27	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	5:30PM	Divine Liturgy for All Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Bragg Family
Sunday June 28	9-9:30AM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: Romans 10:1-10; Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:1
	12NOON	Adult Education Class on Saint Francis

THE HOLY, GLORIOUS, & ILLUSTRIOUS PREEMINENT APOSTLES, PETER & PAUL (HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION)

Mon. June 29	12NOON	Divine Liturgy for the Faithful of Epiphany Parish
	7PM	Divine Liturgy for the repose of +Michael Dunlop by David & Sarah Malakauskas
Friday July 3		THE HOLY MARTYR HYACINTH (SIMPLE ABSTINENCE)
	7PM	Small Compline
	8PM	Men's Campfire & Social

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; OUR VENERABLE FATHER ATHANASIUS OF MT. ATHOS; TONE 5 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES (CIVIC HOLIDAY)

Saturday July 4	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	5:30PM	Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish Monthly Anniversary & Birthday Blessing
Sunday July 5	9-9:30AM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy for the repose of +Mary Ann Pinkney by Kerrie Pinkney (live streamed) Epistle: Romans 12:6-14 & Galatians 5:22-6:2; Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8 & Luke 6:17-23 Monthly Anniversary & Birthday Blessing
	11:30AM	Monthly Pot-luck Picnic

*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment

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

**Living & Deceased Members of the
Vasyl & Svitlana Popovych Families**

Stewardship 06/21/2026	June Off. Total:	\$14,488
Offertory \$2,561.00	Cap. Imp. Total:	\$300.00
Online Giving \$173.54	June Total	\$14,788.88
Capital Imp. \$0.00	June Op. Budget	\$13,227

Upcoming Social Events

July 3	Men's Campfire 8PM
July 5	July Pot-luck Picnic
July 31	Young Adult Convocation, Hillsborough, NJ



HOLYDAY OF

OBLIGATION: Saints Peter & Paul, celebrated on June 29th, is a Holyday of Obligation for all Canonical Ruthenian (Byzantine) Catholics, and those Catechumens and Converts enrolled in classes. These two Preeminent Apostles are

the first and most zealous leaders of the Catholic Church, working tirelessly to share the Good

News of Salvation in and through Jesus Christ to the whole world. We will celebrate two liturgies on this day to best suite the needs of the faithful.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS IN JUNE ON ST.

FRANCIS & BYZANTINE SPIRITUALITY: Daniel Synosky will present the following topics on the Sundays of June:

4) The San Damiano Cross: the icon that became the “Franciscan Cross” is really a spiritually rich icon originating from the Syriac tradition and holding in its details a comprehensive treatise on Francis and the Spiritual Life in a very Eastern medium - the icon!

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH: On

Sunday, June 21, we welcomed Justin McCarty to the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. Justin discerned joining the Apostolic Churches by first studying Catechism with the Greek Orthodox, then he began to realize the Fullness of the Faith is only present in the Catholic Church. He will be moving soon, and will be in very close proximity to another of our Ruthenian Churches, where he will worship. May God grant you many years!

JULY PICNIC: We will hold our monthly picnic in July in conjunction with celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the United States, on Sunday, July 5th. Please bring your favorite dishes, and as always, some foods will be supplied by the church.

PETER’S PENCE: Please take note of Bishop Kurt’s encouragement to participate in the Peter’s Pence

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Those who are ill or convalescing: Sally Baer, Cathy Bowen, Anna & Catherine Cospelich, Paulo DosReis, Ernie & Patricia Holewinski, Katherine Lydon, Mario Marione, Fr. Maximos, Joan Miller, Patricia Moyle, Patricia Rabayda, Andrew Reidy, Marisol Reyes, Mary Rinik, Allyson Scalzi, Haggai Sikalumbi, Fr. Robert Stash, Will Saint-Fleur, Marie Warnicke, 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.*

Changeable Parts in the Teal Pew Book June 27/28 Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Vigil Liturgy begins on p. 104;
Tone 4 on p. 138

(Sun) Sunday Antiphons: p. 14
(Sun) Hymn of the Incarnation: B p. 19
(Sun) 3rd Sunday Antiphon: p. 22
(Sun) Entrance Hymn: A p. 25
(Sun) Troparia & Kontakia Tone 4 : p. 141
“Holy God:” A p. 27
Prokeimenon & Alleluia: p. 142
Cherubikon: E p. 46
Creed: B p. 52
Thrice Holy Hymn: C p. 57
“We Praise You...” E p. 60
“It is Truly Proper...” p. 62
Our Father: Tone 4 p. 69
Communion Hymn: E p. 80
“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

collection all through the month of July, to help support the work of the Vatican. If you do not have envelopes, you may simple write a check to the parish with Peter’s Pence on the *Memo* line. These moneys will be forwarded to the Eparchy, and then on to the Vatican.

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.



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

June 29, 2026

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Friends,

The Peter's Pence collection is a collection with an ancient history in the English speaking world, a custom that we can look to with pride in the United States.

It began in the year 725, even before the Norman Conquest, when King Ina, King of the West Saxons, took a collection to the Holy Father called "Romefeoh". It was also called "Romescot". In 794, King Offa, King of the Mercians, also made a similar contribution to Rome. In the case of King Offa, the payment was to assuage his guilt after the murder of King Ethelbert, King of the East Angles, by his consort Cynethryth, "a cruel, ambitious, and blood thirsty woman". Ethelbert was murdered when a throne was prepared for his visit with a trapdoor and an assassin waiting in a pit.

After the Normans conquered England, the King included an annual collection of "a penny per hearth" in the late 1100's from Ireland as well as England. The English sovereign continued in faithful support to the Pope of Rome until Henry VIII stopped the practice in 1534. By then many other Catholic countries had begun the practice of supporting the work of the Apostolic See of Rome. In the nineteenth century, Pope Pius IX asked the entire Catholic world for help in 1871 after the Papal States were taken by the Italian revolutionaries.

Today, the Holy Father has enormous expenses: an enormous payroll, enormous charitable obligations, and a vast amount of libraries and works of art to maintain. The most important scripture library in the world is in the Vatican and probably the most important historical archive as well. Most of his income is from gifts from the United States and Germany.

In recent years, the gifts from both Germany and United States have decreased. This year, the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Christophe Pierre, made a special plea at the Conference of Bishops in November. Although the Conference always asks for remarks from the Nuncio who is representing the Pope, this is the first time that the Nuncio asked for time to speak to the bishops.

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF PASSAIC

As Americans, let's step up to the plate, and help out our new American Pope with the Peter's Pence collection! I pledge to give \$100 myself this year. Please consider doing the same, or at least ten or twenty if you are living on a small income.

Your pastor will accept the donation anytime starting on June 29 through the month of July.

Thank you for your generosity to Pope Leo!

God will not be outdone in generosity. God bless you and your loved ones this year.

Your servant,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kurt" with a cross symbol to the left.

Bishop Kurt