



# Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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## —Schedule of Divine Services—

### 26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; TONE 1; PREFESTIVE DAY OF THE MATERNITY OF THE HOLY ANNA

<b>Saturday Dec 6</b>	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	5:30PM	Vigil Divine Liturgy for the Rabayda Family by Joseph Wilson
<b>Sunday Dec 7</b>	9-9:30AM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: Ephesians 5:9-19; Gospel: Luke 17:12-19 Panachida for the repose of +Liubov Vouk by Natalia Bilyy
	12–3PM	Saint Nicholas Party: East Roswell Park Community Center

### **Monday Dec 8 THE FEAST OF THE MATERNITY OF THE HOLY ANNA (SOLEMN HOLYDAY)**

7:00PM Divine Liturgy for +Romaine Schroder by Victor and Becky Cole

### **Tuesday Dec 9 OUR VENERABLE FATHER PATAPIUS; THE HOLY HANNAH, MOTHER OF PROPHET SAMUEL**

7:00PM Emmanuel Moleben

### **Friday Dec 12 FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

7:00PM Divine Liturgy for All Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Bragg Family

### **SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS; TONE 2; THE HOLY MARTYRS THYRSUS, LEUCAS, PHILEMON, APPOLONIUS, & CALLINICUS; THE HOLY PRIEST AND ASCETIC FATHER NIMATULLA AL HARDINI**

<b>Saturday Dec 13</b>	4:30-5PM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	5:30PM	Vigil Divine Liturgy for the Health and Healing of Anonymous by Kerrie Pinkney
<b>Sunday Dec 14</b>	9-9:30AM	Mystery of Repentance (Confession)
	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy for the faithful of Epiphany Parish (live streamed) Epistle: Colossians 3:4-11; Gospel: Luke 14:16-24
	12NOON	Adult Education Class: The Twelve Minor Prophets

\*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment

During the month of December, the Altar Lamp burns  
before our Lord in the tabernacle for the  
**Tymchyshyn Family living and deceased**  
by George Tymchyshyn

**SAINT NICHOLAS CELEBRATION:** This year, the parishioners of St. John Melkite Church will join us for the St. Nicholas Celebration on Sunday Dec. 7. After our liturgy here at Epiphany, we will go to the East Roswell Park Community Center, 9000 Fouts Road, Roswell, GA 30076. There will be fun for all ages!

**PHILIP'S FAST:** According to the forty-day tradition, the Philip's Fast in preparation for Christmas began on Saturday November 15 and goes to Christmas Eve. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season (Canon 880, § 2). This fast **may be observed voluntarily**, partially or in its entirety.

<b>Stewardship 11/30/2025</b>	<b>Nov. Off. Total: \$15,333.52</b>
Offertory \$1222.00	<b>Cap. Imp. Total: \$1160.00</b>
Capital Imp. \$100.00	<b>Nov. Total \$16,493.52</b>
Online Giving \$538.54	<b>Nov. Op. Budget \$11,462.18</b>

**OFFICE OF HOLY OIL (ANOINTING):** As we have done in the past year, we will again join our two Atlanta Byzantine Parishes to celebrate the Office of Holy Oil (Anointing of the Sick) for this fasting period, The Phillip's Fast. This time, we will join St. John Chrysostom Melkite Catholic Church at 1428 Ponce de Leon Ave. NE, Atlanta, GA, at 7PM on Friday, December 19.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS:** The class on the twelve minor prophets will have their last meeting of 2025 on December 14; classes will then resume in January.

**2026 ALTAR LAMP MEMORIALS:** All months have been filled for the 2026 Altar Lamp Memorials!

**LOG PILE AND CONSTRUCTION CAUTION:** Please keep distance away from the log pile at the back of the parish property and the equipment nearby. The logs are precarious and not suitable for climbing or playing. There may also be sharp and dangerous tools nearby. We are using that lumber to build benches and other improvements to the property, so be on the lookout for those in the coming weeks!

**NEW SHED COMING SOON:** In the next couple of months we are having a new shed installed at the back of the property. This will help us store all of our decorations, lawn care equipment, and tools so we can declutter the narthex and choir loft! 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! Anyone who has not received an envelope can pick one up in the narthex on the shelf next to the office door. **So far 11 families have donated a total of \$3,550!**

**2026 CALENDARS & ENVELOPES:** Next weekend, the 2026 Calendars and Contribution Envelopes will be available to pick up. Those not picked up Navitry will be mailed.

**BYZIKIDS DECEMBER 2025 EDITION:** From the 7 Days of Creation to the 7 Holy Sleepers, bake Seven Sleepers Pot Pies, sing joyfully in Choir Practice, and journey through the Nativity Fast as you discover how SEVEN reveals God's wonder and love.



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#### LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

**Those who are ill or convalescing:** Sally Baer, Cathy Bowen, Paul Cincoski, 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, Fr. Robert Stash, 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.*

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## 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

Dec. 7	Saint Nicholas Party, East Roswell Park Recreation Center
Jan. 4	January Picnic

### Changeable Parts in the Teal Pew Book (Dec 6/7) 26th Sunday After Pentecost

Vigil Liturgy begins on p. 104;  
Tone 1 on p. 123

(Sun) 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Typical Psalms: p. 16  
(Sun) Hymn of the Incarnation: A p. 18  
(Sun) Beatitudes: p. 23  
(Sun) Entrance Hymn: A p. 25  
(Sun) Troparion & Kontakion See Handout  
"Holy God": A p. 27  
Prokeimenon & Alleluia: See Handout  
Cherubikon: D p. 45  
Creed: B p. 53  
Triumphal Hymn: B p. 56  
"We Praise You": D p. 59  
"It is Truly Proper": p. 62  
Our Father: Tone 1 p. 66  
Communion Hymn: D p. 79 & 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  
Panachida for the Deceased: p. 432