



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy	Saturday, 5:30 PM · Sunday, 10:00 AM · Holy Days, 7:30 PM
Confessions	Saturday, 4:30-5:00 PM · Sunday, 9:00-9:30 AM
Collection	October 1-2, 2016: \$2,045.00 . God bless you for your generosity.

Thought for the Week.



Peace begins with a smile. Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love. Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person. Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Parish Census. Please remember before leaving this weekend to be sure to complete the new parish census form (front and back), even if you did one several years ago, and place it in the box in the narthex. We still have quite a few parishioners who have not yet returned the census form. This information is essential so that our parish records are up to date, especially for sacramental purposes and for important communications throughout the year, such as the annual contribution record for tax purposes and the ECL delivery. As soon as we have all the data compiled and entered into the database, a new parish directory will be published and distributed to all parishioners.



Bulletin Announcements. If you have something for the weekly bulletin or if you need special prayers from the parish family, please contact Deacon Michael via the parish email and he will be sure it's published. He prepares the bulletin each Thursday morning.

Lectors for Divine Liturgy. The parish is grateful to those who have answered the call to be Readers of the Apostolic Letters (Epistles) during Divine Services. It has always been the tradition of our Eastern Church to welcome both men and women in the role of cantors and readers in fulfillment of the universal call to service. St. Paul reminds us that both men and women have been called to be disciples, evangelists, miracle-workers, missionaries, prophets, and saints in the service of the Church's mission to make disciples of all nations. To answer their call from God, our new readers have been through some rigorous training over the last few weeks and will officially be installed at the Divine Liturgy the weekend of October 29/30. Please keep our new readers in your prayers as they begin the important task of proclaiming the Word of God. God bless their service.



Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord, and there are a variety of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

I Corinthians 12:4-6



St. Mary's Festival. Our special friends next door at St. Mary's Orthodox Church will have their annual **India Festival** on the parish grounds on **Saturday, October 22**, from 9AM – 8PM. Fr. Matthew has invited all of us to join the parish in this celebration of Indian food, culture, music, dance, sports and tradition. This is a wonderful family fall day ... see you all there!

Liturgy Intentions. If you wish to have a Divine Liturgy or *Panachida* served for your intentions, please email Fr. Deacon Michael via the parish email with the name of the person(s) to be remembered (whether living or deceased) or your special intention and a preferred date.

Saint Nicholas 2016. Mark your calendars for our **Saint Nicholas** celebration. Please see **Julie Leggin** or **Shirley Spontak** to sign up for decorating and/or for helping with the luncheon.

Saturday, December 3, 9:30am: Church cleaning and decorating
Sunday, December 11, following the Divine Liturgy: Parish luncheon

Respect Life Month. Each year, the American Catholic Bishops set aside the month of October as "Respect Life Month" across our nation. Human life is under attack in our culture today, from the moment of conception to natural death. Life is threatened because society and governments no longer understand what it means to be human. As St. John Paul II reminded us in his encyclical *Gospel of Life*, "In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ" (EV 84). Please pray, especially this month, that the Holy Spirit will enlighten the world to respect, love and promote the life of every human being in accordance with God's bountiful love in Jesus Christ. Together, let's work to build a culture of Life!