



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy
Confessions
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Capital Campaign

Saturday, 5:30 PM · Sunday, 10:00 AM · Holy Days, 7:30 PM
Saturday, 4:30-5:00 PM · Sunday, 9:00-9:30 AM
November 5-6, 2016: **\$2,782.00**. God bless you for your generosity.
Pledged to Date: **\$7,888.00** · Received to Date: **\$4,643.00**

Thought for the Week...

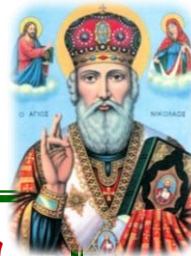
We must be open to the action of the Spirit of God, without fear of what He asks us, where He leads us, or how He will work it out. Let us entrust ourselves to Him and do what He asks us to do. He enables us to live and bear witness to our faith and to enlighten the hearts of those we meet.

Pope Francis

Saint Nicholas Celebration. Our annual Saint Nicholas luncheon is just around the corner.

As has been our custom, **there will not be a vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday, December 10; there will only be one parish Liturgy on Sunday, December 11 at 10:00 AM.**

Our parish luncheon and visit from Saint Nicholas will immediately follow in the church narthex. Please be sure to sign up on the food sheets on the information table in the narthex so we are sure to have enough items for everyone to share. Also, please see **Julie Leggin** or **Shirley Spontak** to volunteer to help and make this a most memorable occasion for all.



Church Cleaning and Decorating: Saturday, December 3, 9:30 am

Saint Nicholas Luncheon: Sunday, December 11, 11:30 am

Together in the Holy Trinity ... One Faith, One Church, One Future!

Akathist to the Mother of God. As Father Steven encouraged us last week in his homily, in preparation for the coming of our Savior, we as a parish family can pray the **Akathist to the Theotokos** in our homes during this time of the Philip Fast. If you would like a copy of this beloved and ancient Byzantine prayer hymn to our Lady, please see Father Deacon Michael.

Mysteries of Initiation. The Sacred Mysteries of Baptism, Chrismation and Eucharist will be celebrated next Sunday, November 27 as we welcome into the parish family a new child of God, **Benjamin Francis Cathey**, son of John and Alexandra. The initial rites will begin at 9:30 AM, followed by Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM as usual. All are encouraged to attend the celebration of these Holy Mysteries in the fullness of our Byzantine Catholic tradition. Refreshments will be provided afterwards by the Cathey family.



Icon Installation. All the icons for the first phase of the icon installation have now arrived and the installation is just about complete. Now the beautification of God's Holy Altar and the front of the iconostasis will serve to be a source of devotion and prayer for all. We are now awaiting the second and third phases, which are those icons of our Lord, His Blessed Mother and the first disciples of Jesus. We hope to have the majority of these in by Christmas. Thank you so very much, Paul and Randy for your hard work on the installation. God bless you.

Entry Sign. Our new entry sign has been approved by the City of Roswell and is expected to be installed by Thanksgiving. The new design and vibrant color scheme, as well as the removal of the overgrowth at the entrance, will make our new sign more visible and inviting to all who pass by and see Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church.

Memory Eternal. A *Panachida* will be offered after the Sunday Liturgy for the repose of Elsie Spang, beloved aunt of Gina Bridges, who fell asleep in the Lord recently.

Divine Liturgy Intentions. We now have Liturgy Intention cards for both the living and deceased. These are appropriate for mailing to the intended person or family as an expression of Christian prayer or sympathy if you wish to have a Divine Liturgy offered here at Epiphany. Please see Deacon James or Deacon Michael.

Parking Pads. The parking pads on the east driveway are now completed, as well as the additional handicapped parking space on the north entrance to the church in front of the rectory. These areas, as well as the previously laid four handicapped parking spaces, will now provide a much safer parking environment for our parishioners and visitors with special needs as well as a clean and secure area for others. Phase two of the project will hopefully be completed in 2017 in time for our 40th anniversary celebrations. We extend our deepest thanks to all of our parishioners for your generosity of time, treasure and talent in the service of God's Kingdom.

