



# Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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## March 19, 2017 + Sunday of the Holy and Life-Giving Cross

Divine Liturgy  
Confessions  
Collection  
Capital Campaign  
Sunday Readings  
Sacramental Needs

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  
Last week: **\$5,030.00**. God bless you for your continued generosity.  
Received to Date: **\$16,902.00**  
Apostolic Letter: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 + Gospel: Mark 8:34b-9:1  
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### Thought for the Week...

*"No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ. His prayer brought benefit to the multitude that raged against him. How much more does it bring to those who turn to him in repentance.*

*St. Leo the Great*

**Founders Day 2017!** October, 1977, marked the beginning of Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church in Georgia. We will celebrate our 40th anniversary this fall (rather than in May) to coincide with our actual founding. If you would like to be on the advance planning committee to make this a very special day for all of us and for our local community, please see Deacon Michael. This celebration is a very special way to spread the word that the *Light of the East* burns bright in Roswell! Let's make it radiant!



**Memory Eternal.** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ed Klotz's mother, Marie, who fell asleep in the Lord this past week. May her memory be eternal.

**All Souls Commemoration.** The third commemoration of our departed family and friends will be observed this **Friday, March 24** with a *Panachida* and Reading of the Diptychs at the conclusion of the Presanctified Liturgy.

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

**Lenten Suppers.** Calling all cooks! Be sure to sign-up in the narthex to share your special Lenten dishes, salads and sides for our Friday potluck suppers after Presanctified Liturgy.

**For the Sick and Suffering.** Please remember in your prayers **Andy Martin** who is in the hospital for a heart related condition.

If you wish to have the parish pray for your special needs or for someone who is sick and in need of healing, please notify the Deacons through the parish email.



**All-Night Vigil.** After our Lord died on the Cross, Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea took the body of Jesus, bound it in linen cloths with spices and buried it in a new tomb. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary sat opposite the tomb watching as their Lord was buried.

An ancient tradition of the Church is the **Vigil at Christ's Tomb**. This Great Friday we are reviving this pious tradition which provides us with an opportunity to keep watch over our Lord's body

throughout the night as He descends into Hell to loosen the bonds of death. What better way to understand the death and resurrection of Jesus than to participate in the Vigil by His tomb ... to spend one quiet hour with our Lord ... to watch and wait with the countless saints and myriads of angels as the Son of God conquers death ... to pray and to spiritually share in Jesus' sacrifice for us.

The parish has arranged for an off duty police officer to be on the property throughout the night.

Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Consider this great sacrifice to be close to our Lord for just one quiet hour as He lies in the tomb and we await His glorious Resurrection.

**Altar Lamp.** The Divine Presence Sanctuary Lamp burns continuously in front of Our Lord this month of March in loving memory of **+Rose Tisma**, by her sons Deacon Michael and Steven.

If you wish to have the Altar Lamp burn for your intentions, see one of the Deacons for details.

## + THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR FOR THE GREAT FAST +

- + Wednesday, March 22, 7:30 PM: **Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**
- + Friday, March 24, 6:30 PM: *The Way of the Disciple*, Spiritual Reading Group
- + Friday, March 24, 7:30 PM: **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, Panachida & Supper**
- + Saturday, March 25, 5:30 PM: **Divine Liturgy, Sunday of St. John Climacus**
- + Sunday, March 26, 9:15 AM: Lenten Reflection: *Climbing the Stairway to Heaven*
- + Sunday, March 26, 9:40 AM: **Third Hour** of the Divine Praises is prayed
- + Sunday, March 26, 10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy, Sunday of St. John Climacus**
- + Sunday, March 26, 11:30 AM: Adult Education: *Icons – Profound Truths of Faith*