

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

2030 Old Alabama Road · Roswell, GA 30076
Mailing Address: PO Box 1226 · Duluth, GA 30096

Parish Office: 770-993-0973 or 404-227-5401

Fr. Deacon James Smith, Administrator
Fr. Philip Scott • Fr. Deacon Michael Tisma

Email: epiphanybyzantinechurch@gmail.com • Website: www.epiphanybyzantinecatholic.org

July 9, 2017 + 5th Sunday after Pentecost: Tone 4

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| 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 | Last week: \$1,724.00 . God bless you for your continued generosity. |
| Sunday Readings | Romans 10:1-10 + Matthew 8:28-9:1 |
| Sacramental Needs | Please call Fr. Deacon James 770-993-0973 or 404-227-5401 |

The Light of the East ...

"Do not say, after spending a long time in prayer, that nothing has been gained; for you have already gained something. And what higher good is there than to cling to the Lord and persevere in unceasing union with Him?"

Saint John Climacus



Founders Day 2017. Our 40th Anniversary Founders Day celebrations are just around the corner so mark your calendar now for what will be a fun filled and memorable family event for us all. October 1977 marked the first meeting of fifty Byzantine Catholics from metro Atlanta which launched the first Ruthenian Byzantine Catholic parish in Georgia. The mission was placed under the omphorion of +Bishop Michael, of blessed memory, on December 12, 1977 and under the patronage of Saint John the Forerunner with the dedication as **Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church**.

This year our celebration of that great day will be on **Sunday, October 1, 2017**, the feast of the **Protection of the Mother of God**, a special day beloved by all Byzantine Catholics. We have many ideas to make this a great and memorable day for our families, neighbors and former parishioners. **We'll need lots of hands for setting up, promotion, preparing the grounds, etc. so be sure to sign up to volunteer when the time comes.**

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

The steering committee will meet next **Sunday, July 16**, after the Liturgy, to share ideas and to put together a final program. All are invited to participate. This is Our Special Day ... let's make it great and let the Light of the East shine bright in Roswell!



Altar Lamp. During the month of July, the Divine Presence Altar Lamp burns continuously before Our Lord for those who are sick and suffering, by Dan and Jane Cunningham. If you wish to have the Altar Lamp burn for your intentions, please see Father Deacon Michael.



Parish Ministries. Jesus reminds us that He is the vine and we are the branches. As it is the branches which nourish and enliven the vine, so it is with parish ministries and organizations which enliven every Christian community. There are many ministries and "helping hands" by which our parish can be enriched — some of which require occasional participation, and others which entail regular service. One does not become a parishioner simply by attending Sunday Divine Liturgy. Involvement in a parish ministry and activity will not only enrich one's life, but it will also vitalize the communion of faith we share as Byzantine Catholics here at Epiphany of Our Lord in Roswell. Please consider serving God and this parish family by becoming involved in our parish life. See one of our Deacons for details. There is a place for everyone to be a part of the "Light of the East".

Altar Servers + Grounds Committee + Holiday Outreach Ministry

Cantors & Readers + Taste & See Kitchen Committee + Visitors & Welcome Ministry

Altar Guild + Founders Day Committee + Bethany Ministry for the Sick

Sunday School Teachers (ECF) + St. Nicholas Committee + Lazarus "Bereavement" Ministry

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops reminds us that parishes are the home of the Christian community; they are the heart of our Church ... the place where God's people meet Jesus in word and sacrament and come in touch with each other as the Family of God.



Altar Servers. We are in real need of servers to assist regularly at God's Holy Table. To attend to the Divine Liturgy and to be next to the Precious Body and Blood of our Lord is a great honor and tremendous privilege. Altar service is open to all males 12 years and up; it requires work, dedication and commitment, but the spiritual rewards far outnumber the small sacrifices necessary. Training will be provided. Please consider serving God in this vital ministry. Please see Fr. Deacon Michael or Deacon Candidate John to volunteer.

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?'"
Then I said, 'Here I am, Lord. Send me!'" Isaiah 6:8