

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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December 10, 2017 + 27th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 2

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: \$2,570.00 . God bless you for your continued generosity.
Sunday Readings	Ephesians 6:10-17 + Luke 17:12-19 (<i>Lucan Leap for 29th Sunday</i>)
Sacramental Needs	Please call Fr. Deacon James 770-993-0973 or 404-227-5401

During the month of December, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle for Barbara Bates' parents +Michael and +Madelyn Wasilnak and sister +Elaine Helen Getz.



The Light of the East ...

“The purpose of the Incarnation is to establish full communion between God and humanity so that in Christ humanity may find adoption and immortality, often called ‘deification’ by the Fathers: not by emptying human nature but by fulfilling it in the divine life, since only in God is human nature truly itself.”

Olivier Clement, *The Roots of Christian Mysticism*

Retirement Fund for Religious. Where would we be today without the life-long dedication and commitment of our religious order sisters, brothers and priests? Many have served for years in Catholic parishes, hospitals, orphanages, schools and nursing homes for little or no pay. Today there is a major shortage of retirement savings to provide for their medications and care. Across the United States, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health-care



needs of aging members. For over 32,000 men and women of these religious communities, retirements and health care funds have all but disappeared. At this time of year, the American Bishops have asked all Catholics to consider a gift, large or small, to provide for those who have given the Church a lifetime of service. To make a donation please visit the website of the National Religious Retirement Office, www.retiredreligious.org. Please pray for God's continued blessing on those who have faithfully served our Church and world.

Saint Nicholas Luncheon. Our parish celebration of our holy Wonderworker is today **Sunday, December 10**, after the Divine Liturgy in the parish narthex. Please stay and join the celebrations. As always, a personal visit from Saint Nicholas himself is promised for our children.

After the luncheon, we also need volunteers to clean-up and return the tables and chairs to storage. Please see Reader John to help out.

Love One Another! Remember next **Sunday, December 17**, after Liturgy we as a parish will visit the assisted living facility of nearby Saint George's Village. If you have not yet selected an angel gift from the angel tree in the narthex, please remember to do so today. In the spirit of Christmas, we hope to bring joy and love to those who are lonely and so often forgotten, especially at this time of year. We will deliver our stocking stuffers, visit awhile with the residents, bring some holiday cheer with the singing of Christmas carols and baked treats ... and especially we want to let the elderly know that God loves them and so does Epiphany of Our Lord.

“By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 13:35

We will caravan and car-pool over to Saint George, leaving from Epiphany at 11:30 AM. We plan to be back at Epiphany around 12:45 PM. We encourage all our parents to involve their children in this wonderful expression of our faith and Christian love. Please plan to join us.

Holiday Liturgy Schedule

December 9 (Saturday)	No Liturgy
December 10 (Sunday)	10:00 AM – Liturgy / Saint Nicholas Luncheon follows
December 17 (Sunday)	10:00 AM – Liturgy 11:30 AM – Parish visit and outreach at St. George Village
December 23 (Saturday)	No Liturgy
December 24 (Sunday)	10:00 AM – Liturgy Sunday before Christmas
December 24 (Sunday)	9:00 PM – Christmas Eve Liturgy
December 25 (Monday)	10:00 AM – Christmas Day Liturgy



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