



Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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—Schedule of Divine Services—

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—THE HOLY MARTYR CALLINICUS (Tone 1)

Saturday July 28 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy For a special intention

Sunday July 29 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
10:00AM Divine Liturgy For the Faithful of Epiphany Parish
Epistle: 1Cor.4:9-16; Matthew 17:14-23

Friday Aug. 3 Venerable Isaacius and Others (Simple abstinence from meat, or *equivalent* penance)

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PREFESTIVE DAY OF TRANSFIGURATION & THE HOLY MARTYR EUSIGNIUS (Tone 2)

Saturday Aug. 4 4:30–5PM Mystery of Repentance*
5:30PM Divine Liturgy For a special intention

Sunday Aug. 5 9–9:30AM Mystery of Repentance*
10:00AM Divine Liturgy For the Faithful of Epiphany Parish
Epistle: 1Cor.9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35

Monday Aug. 6 7:30PM **Transfiguration of Our Lord** (Solemn Holyday)
Divine Liturgy For a special intention

*Mystery of Repentance also available by appointment or before and after weekday services

**During the month of August, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in the tabernacle
In memory of + Lori Holynskij by Michael and Irene Laschuk**

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Those who are ill or convalescing: Dan Cunningham, Shirley Spontak, Cameron Fradd, and the repose of +Claire Reichard and for the Reichard family. May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies, grant them peace and good health for many blessed years.

Please let Fr. Lewis know if anyone should be added or taken away from this prayer list.

RECTORY RENOVATIONS: Fr. Lewis has moved into the rectory and will be taking some time to settle in and to set up the parish office. The parish line is now functioning, so one may call the official parish phone to reach Fr. Lewis, or they may also use his mobile number. We are on our way to greater things. May God bless all of you for all of your help in

this time of transition.

Goal \$40,000 :: Offered to date: \$45,300!!!

THE DORMITION FAST: The Tyikon by Fr. David Petras states: “The traditional rule for the Dormition Fast is a strict abstinence from August 1 to 14, with the usual mitigations (wine and oil) for Saturday and Sunday and the Feast of Transfiguration. It is, therefore, observed as the Great Fast. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season. The observance of this fast is voluntary. In some parishes, the Paraklis to the Theotokos is sung frequently during this Fast.”

Stewardship 07/01/2018	Offertory	\$1,335
Offertory	\$1,844	Stewardship 07/22/2018
Stewardship 07/08/2018	Offertory	\$1,399
Offertory	\$3,280	Total July: \$7,858.00
Stewardship 07/15/2018		

The Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos is a Holyday of obligation. We will be celebrating it with Great Vespers the evening before and with Divine Liturgy on the evening of August 15th. Certain feast days have minor fasting period associated with them so that we can properly prepare ourselves to experience the great joy of the feast. Prayer, almsgiving, and fasting are ways for us to strengthen our spiritual life and to purge our secular life so that we can see with truer eyes the splendid revelation of God through His holy feasts.

If you are interested in fasting more than before, try adding additional days through the week of not eating meat. Wednesday is the traditional addition to the normal abstinence we practice on every Friday. For those who do not eat much meat, try adding days where you omit dairy from your diet. When we fast and add more intimate prayer to our lives we allow God to reorient ourselves to Him, so that we can share in the joy He has in store for us by obeying His commandments.

UPCOMING PARISH & EPARCHIAL EVENTS

Aug. 4-8 Altar Server Camp at the Carpathian Village in Canadensis, PA

Aug. 1 Beginning of the Dormition Fast

Aug. 6 Solemn Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord
Divine Liturgy at 7:30PM

Aug. 15 The Dormition of the Theotokos
(Holyday of Obligation) Great Vespers and
Divine Liturgy

Sept. 1-2 Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Uniontown, PA

BABA'S KITCHEN: A Taste of the Old Country. Be sure to stop by Baba's Kitchen in the narthex after Liturgy for some of our newly arrived assorted pieroghi or nut and poppy seed rolls. No matter what time of year, these old world delights are always in season! All proceeds go toward the maintenance fund of the church. Be sure to tell all your friends about Baba's Kitchen and let's raise the roof!



—Definitions—

Fast: Primarily, the abstinence from food. The Orthodox Church has appointed certain days and periods as fasts and has established the degree of abstinence from food on those days. The purpose of fasting is to make the flesh submissive to the spirit and presupposes in parallel an intensified spiritual struggle.

Liturgical Time and Space: During the celebration of the Divine Liturgy the category of time as we understand it in the linear sense is transcended. Yesterday, today and tomorrow become, through grace, as one. In this mystery we live in some as yet unrevealed manner both the past and the future of the divine Economy. In the same way, space is transformed into liturgical space. Space and time in the Divine Liturgy are sanctified by Him who is beyond 'place and time and name and understanding.' Christ, who is in heaven, is together with us in the Divine Liturgy.

Mystagogy: In a general sense it means instruction in preparation for initiation into a Mystery, for instance that of Holy Baptism; but it refers pre-eminently to the Divine Liturgy, for it is this that leads us into the mystery of God's love.

Definitions taken from: The Divine Liturgy: A commentary in the light of the fathers, by Hieromonk Gregorios, The Cell of ST John the Theologian Koutloumousiou Monastery, Mount Athos, 2012