

Welcome to our Parish

Come and join us daily for the Divine Liturgy in the Chapel located just south of the narthex. Or stop by for a prayer before going to work. The church is open at 7:30 am. Confessions at about 8:30 am.

Come and join our prayer group.

DIVINE LITURGIES, SERVICES

AND INTENTIONS

Sat 1/2 No Morning Service

Sun 1/3 SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY & Tone 7, p. 309 & 154

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am Confessions

10:00 am For members of our parish family

NO ECF CLASSES today-we will resume next Sunday

Mon 1/4

Pre-festive Day of Theophany

9:00 am

THE OFFICE OF READINGS with Holy Communion (*The Sixth Hour with the 4 Hebrew readings, 4 Apostolic readings and the 4 Gospels on the Baptism of our Lord*)

THE THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST

Holy day of Obligation

Tue 1/5

Vigil for Theophany

7:30 pm

Vesper/Liturgy of St. Basil the Great & The Great Blessing of Water
God's blessing on Carol Pasmant by Ron Pasmant

Wed 1/6

The Feast Day, p. 312

9:00 am

Liturgy of St. John & The Blessing of The Water in front of the Church

Thu 1/7

*No Divine Liturgy-
Father is not available*

Fri 1/8

Postfestive Day of Theophany, p. 312

9:00 am

God's blessing on Carol Pasmant by Ron Pasmant

Sat 1/9

No Divine Liturgy

Sun 1/10

SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY & TONE 8, P. 316 & 161

9:30 am

Confessions

9:40 am

THE THIRD HOUR

10:00 am

For members of our parish

ECF CLASSES



Be sure to bring your own container for you Holy Water. You may also want to bring your own bottles of water for the Blessing.

PRAYER REQUESTS Cole Webb Harter, Fr. Marcus Gomori, Ruth Terry, Sr. Christopher, OSBM, Adrian Flores & Veronica Navarette, Colton Oschmann, Jessica Kanenbley, Judy Livingston, Bob & Rita Pipta, Marilu Krofchik, Margaret Bevins, Stella Navarette, Nicholas Moyta, Jean Anderson, Betty Belanger, Betty Perebzak, David, the brother of Marilyn Cooper, Richard Sesma, Deanna Keefe, Ron Lowery & Family, Alex Vida, Susan Dovin., Kay Weil, Janet Lambert, and Ron, Carol & Gilbert Pasmant, Ethan McArthur. For the immigrants escaping the horrors of war in their home country. Thank you Lord for sending the gentle rains for us in Anaheim.

7 DAY CANDLE OFFERING

Eternal Light:

Intention for Dennis & Sally Rock

Around the Christmas Icon

+Evdokiya Obushko by Charles & Tanya Johnson

Donna Safian by Tanya Johnson

READERS & REHEARSAL SCHEDULE for more information contact Robert Pipta

1/03/16 REHEARSAL 9:00 - 9:45 am

Greg Gath 2 Timothy 4:5-8

1/10/16 3rd Hour 9:40 am

Ron Pasmant Ephesians 4: 7-13

1/17/16 REHEARSAL 9:00 - 9:45 am

Nick Olszyk 2 Timothy 3: 10-15

1/24/16 3rd Hour 9:40 am

Steve Kopko 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

1/31/16 REHEARSAL 9:00 - 9:45 am

**Parish Calendar
& Upcoming Events**

TODAY Begins the 50/50 raffle with the drawing on Sunday February 7 after the Parish Liturgy. For your tickets see Ann Voytilla in the parish hall during the coffee social.

THE THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD IN THE RIVER JORDAN—Holy Day of Obligation

1/5 Tuesday 7:30 pm Vesper/Liturgy
& Blessing of Water

1/6 Wednesday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
& Blessing of Water

1/10 Sunday NEW YEAR LUNCHEON —Pork Luncheon. See ad for information.

EASTERN CATHOLIC PASTORAL ASSOCIATION

1/21 Thursday 11:00 am Prayer & Luncheon Meeting at Holy Angels in San Diego, California.

FIRST ALL SOULS SATURDAY

9:00 am Saturday Liturgy with the Reading of the Names of our Deceased

MEETING OF OUR LORD WITH SIMEON & ANNA-Solemn Holy Day

2/1 Monday 7:30 pm Vesper/Liturgy
2/2 Tuesday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

2/7 Sunday-50/50 Monthly Raffle

FIRST DAY OF THE GREAT FAST

2/8 Monday Strict Fast—no meat of dairy products.
7:30 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS, ANAHEIM, CA. February 26-28 The largest Religious Education Congress will be held at the Anaheim Convention Center.

Our Eparchy will have an exhibitors booth in the Convention Center during which Bishop Dino will be present, displaying and distributing materials of our Byzantine Catholic Church.

Very Rev. David M. Petras will be a co-presenter with Rt. Rev. Alexei Smith on "The Importance and beauty of the Eastern Catholic Churches". This workshop will be held on Friday, February 26th. In addition to our presence as Eastern Catholics, on Saturday, February 27th at 5:15 pm, Rt. Rev. Aphram Mushe will celebrate the Syriac Divine Liturgy.

ALL SOULS SATURDAYS FOR 2016 we have 5 All Souls Saturdays on which we commemorate by name our beloved deceased.

The dates for this year are: January 30 (Saturday before Sunday of Meatfare), February 20, February 27, March 5 (3 Saturdays during the Great Fast) and May 14 (the Saturday before Pentecost Sunday).

Please use the special card in your Budget Envelope Sets to print out your last name on the top of the card and only the first names of the deceased you want to remember and place the card and the envelope in the Sunday collection basket or give it to Father. The donation for the All Souls is given to the pastor.

The names are read during the Panachida after the All Souls Memorial Liturgy.

"50/50 Raffle Update--Beginning TODAY, the raffle will run every month with drawings on the 1st of the following month. As usual, every week in January tickets will be sold in the Parish Hall at \$5 each or \$20 for 5 tickets and the drawing will be held the 1st Sunday in February 7th. The only exception is that 50/50 tickets will not be sold during fundraising luncheons. See Anne Voytilla for more information.

TITHING AND ATTENDANCE REPORT

Christmas & December 27

Attendance: Sun: 10:00 am 105 Souls

Adult Tithes : \$3,291.00

Youth Tithes: \$7.61

Christmas Youth: \$47.22

Christmas: \$5,611.65

Candles: \$246.00

Mortgage Reduction in Memory of Evdokiya: \$50.00

Pledge on Mortgage: \$695.00

January Luncheon pre-sale: \$222.00

Memorials:

Thank you for your support and love for our Parish. We accept credit and debit cards by way The Square. Your receipts are e-mailed. We appreciate your comments.

MEMORIALS Thank you for remembering our parish. *Antoinette Holowatch (50 years) & Sam Holowatch (20 years):* \$100.00.

Christmas Flowers: +*Robert McCarthy* by Lisa & Mihail Chelu

Memory of +*Marie J. Salmen* (the aunt of Sally Rock) \$488.35

Epiphany or Theophany?

The term "Theophany" is officially used for us in English in our Liturgical Books and in the green people's book in the pews.

Epiphany (Greek: επιφάνεια, = epifaneeya) means "appearance" or "manifestation") is a Christian feast intended to celebrate the "shining forth" or revelation of God in human form to the human race in the person of Jesus. Many Western Christians commemorate the visitation of the Magi to the child Jesus on this day, while others use the day to commemorate the baptism of Jesus as an adult. The feast is also called Twelfth Day — being the twelfth day of Christmas — or Three Kings Day for those commemorating the Magi.

In Eastern Christian Churches it is also called Theophany especially by those commemorating Christ's baptism. The Feast of **Theophany** (Greek: Θεοφάνεια, = Theofaneeya) means "God shining forth" or "divine manifestation"), it is one of the Great Feasts of the liturgical year. Most Eastern Christians (Catholic and Orthodox) Christians celebrate Theophany on January 6 (the date of January 6 on the Julian Calendar falls on January 19 of the modern Gregorian Calendar).

Today in Eastern churches, the emphasis at this feast is on the shining forth and revelation of Jesus Christ as the Messiah and second person of the Holy Trinity at the time of his baptism. It is also celebrated because, according to tradition, the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River by St. John the Baptist marked the only occasion when all three persons of the Holy Trinity manifested their physical presence simultaneously to humanity: God the Father by speaking through the clouds, God the Son being baptized in the river, and God the Holy Spirit in the shape of a dove descending from heaven. Thus the holy day is considered to be a Trinitarian feast.

Epiphany is not wrong but it lacks the preciseness of Theophany in my humble opinion. *One can have an epiphany about many wonderful things. However, a Theophany is only about a revelation of God.* In Slavonic it was always called, "Богоявления" = "Bohojavenija." Boho = God and "javlilsja" = a

manifestation or revelation. I hope this helps to answer your question. God's blessings always.

Aspects and Powers of Water

By St. Cyril of Jerusalem - Catecheses, 9, 9ff. (PG33, 648)

Who is the father of the rain? Who makes the drops of dew? Who holds the clouds together and prevents them pouring water on the earth? Sometimes he brings golden-lined clouds scurrying from the south. In some cases he lets them take a firm shape, in others he makes their form vary with every moment. They hold great quantities of water yet they do not break and they roam peacefully over the sky until he unleashes the winds on the world. Who crystallizes the water into ice? The ice seems hard as rock, yet it is water. On some occasions the water becomes snow and looks like wool. On other occasions again he uses it to scatter the fog like ashes. In spring the rock melts and runs down the slopes. Water always remains water yet it has many different powers. In vineyards water becomes 'wine to gladden the hearts of the people.' In the olive groves it becomes 'oil to make their faces shine.' And it also changes into 'bread to strengthen people's hearts,' [Ps. 104:15] and into fruit of every kind. In the face of all these marvels who can fail to adore their Creator?



ANNUNCIATION BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

NEW YEAR LUNCHEON

WHEN: SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2016

TIME: AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY,
APPROXIMATELY 11:30AM

WHERE: IN THE SOCIAL HALL

COST: ADULTS \$12.00, CHILDREN 4-12

TRADITIONAL PORK TENDERLOIN WITH APPLE
SAUCE, MASHED POTATOES,

APPLE CAKE A LA MODE AND MORE!

ADULTS: \$12.00 & CHILDREN 4-12: \$6.00

FOR TICKETS: SEE, OR CALL:

RITA PIPTA AT 714-838-6067

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&
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