

The Celebration of the Eucharist:

Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.; Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 12:00 pm (Adult Choir) and 7:30 pm (Contemporary Choir)

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Parents are asked to contact the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard in the church on Saturdays from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. and during the week at the Parish House or by appointment with a priest

Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to their wedding date to begin their marriage preparation.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Parishioners, especially those who are entering the hospital, who wish to receive the Anointing of the Sick are asked to contact the Parish Office.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Saturday from 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Novenas:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday after the 8:00 am and 12:10 pm Masses.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday after the 12:10 p.m. Mass

Parish House (Rectory):

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April 19, 2015
Third Sunday of Easter

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Church of the Epiphany– April 19, 2015

Irish Music Concert

The Glee Club of the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick will perform their annual concert at Epiphany this Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 6:00 pm in our church. Admission is free. Please plan on hearing this world renowned group perform some of your favorite Irish tunes.

Annual Golden Jubilee Celebration

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary anytime during 2015 are invited to attend one of the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Masses on either Saturday, June 20, 2015 or Sunday, June 21st at St. Patrick's Cathedral; both Mass times are at 2:00 pm. Registration for this Mass is required. You can call the Parish Office at 212-475-1966 or send an email to epiphanychurch239@gmail.com. We will need to know the names of the jubilee couple and the date and name of the church where the wedding took place. The deadline to register is Tuesday, May 19th.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Most Reverend John J. O'Hara, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of New York, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, April 24, 2015 at 5:00 pm. Please keep in your prayers this week the young men and women of our parish who will be receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Olive Wood Gifts

Next weekend at all our Masses we will have for sale hand carved olive wood religious articles made in Bethlehem in the Holy Land. We are well aware of the perilous situation of the Christian community who live in the land of Jesus' birth, death, and resurrection. The sale of these articles is a very important source of income for the artists who handcraft them, making it possible for them to support their families. These beautiful objects make wonderful gifts for family and friends - and maybe even a gift to yourself.

Thomas Merton Lecture

The Corpus Christi (NYC) Chapter of the Thomas Merton Society will present *Still Life with Peace - Thomas Merton's Advice to Peacemakers* on Saturday April 25, 2015 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at Corpus Christi Church , 529 W 121st Street, Manhattan. The presenter is Jim Forest, an internationally known peace advocate , who was a personal friend of Dorothy Day and has written books both on her and Thomas Merton. Admission is \$10 (free to members of the NY Chapter.) Call 212-666-9350 for additional information.

Jubilee Website

The Vatican has created a web site for the Holy Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis. Visit www.iubilaemmisericordiae.va for additional information. The site can be viewed in multiple languages.

Announced Mass Intentions

Monday, April 20, 2015

8:00 am Stanley Gursky
12:10 pm Ann Marie Capuano

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

8:00 am Dorothy Davy
12:10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh
(Anniversary)

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

8:00 am Easter Novena
12:10 pm Dr. Dolores Danilowicz

Thursday, April 23, 2015

8:00 am Joseph Walsh
12:10 pm Sr. Doris Sahyonne

Friday, April 24, 2015

8:00 am Olga Villareal
12:10 pm Helen Turner

Saturday, April 18, 2015

8:00 am Easter Novena

*May the Souls of the
Faithful Departed
Rest in Peace.
Amen. Alleluia!*

Stewardship

The way we offer our thanks to God
by sharing our time, talent, and treasure.

Palm Sunday—\$12,429.00
Holy Land—\$2,577.00
Easter—\$23,940.00

The Cardinal's Annual Appeal 2015

We are making sure and steady progress toward reaching our parish goal of **\$134,000** for the Cardinal's Appeal. Our latest update shows that **186** families and individuals have contributed **\$103,580** which represents **78%** of our goal. Of this amount, **\$73,945** has already been paid. The 186 gifts we have received represents a **10%** participation rate for the parish.

Although we are doing well at this point, we still have some work ahead of us to reach our goal, which we consistently have done over the years. We are slightly behind where we were at this point in the Appeal last year.

The key to success this year will be to increase the number of people in the parish who contribute to the Appeal. We are doing so well thus far because a number of parishioners have been extraordinarily generous. Our largest gift has been \$7,000 along with two \$5,000 gifts and a number of gifts at the \$2,000 and \$1,000 level. Not everyone has the means to be this generous, **but all of us are able to give something. Every contribution counts and many small gifts add up.**

We have approximately \$31,000 to go in order to reach our goal. We will get there if the more than 1,900 parishioners who received letters from Cardinal Dolan and have not yet contributed give something. Contribution envelopes are available in the church narthex. You can place your gift to the Appeal in the basket next Sunday.

Thank you very much to those who have brought us to 78% of our goal. And thank you also to those who will be making their gift over the coming weeks.

The Church and the Environment

April 22, 2015 is the 45th anniversary of Earth Day, a day set aside for action and reflection on stewardship of our planet. The Catholic Church brings a distinct perspective to the discussion of environmental questions, by lifting up the moral dimensions of these issues and the needs of the most vulnerable among us. This unique contribution is rooted in Catholic teaching calling us to care for creation and for “the least of these.” (Mt 25:40) Of particular concern to the Church is how environmental problems and our response to those challenges will affect the poor and vulnerable people at home and around the world.

In response to Pope John Paul II’s groundbreaking 1990 World Day of Peace Message entitled *Peace With God the Creator, Peace With All of Creation*, the full body of U.S. Catholic bishops adopted in 1991 their first statement on the environment, *Renewing the Earth: An Invitation to Reflection and Action on Environment in Light of Catholic Social Teaching*. In this foundational statement the bishops draw attention to the ethical dimensions of the ecological crisis, exploring the link between ecology and poverty and the implications of environmental degradation for human life and dignity.

Building on the commitment made by the U.S. bishops in their 1991 statement, the Environmental Justice Program of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) was created in 1993 to educate and motivate Catholics to a deeper reverence and respect for God’s creation, and to encourage Catholics to address environmental problems, particularly as they affect poor and vulnerable people.

Pope Benedict XVI made a number of significant statements about environmental issues during his pontificate, earning him the title “The Green Pope.” This issue is very much on the agenda of Pope Francis, who is being called “The Greener Pope.” In his homily at his Mass of installation as pope on March 19, 2013, he said: “I would like to ask all those who have positions of responsibility in economic, political, and social life, and all men and women of goodwill: let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God’s plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and the environment.”

Pope Francis is now in the process of completing an encyclical letter on the environment. It is expected to be issued within the next few months and is anticipated to be a groundbreaking statement on this most crucial topic from the leader of the Roman Catholic Church. We eagerly await its release.

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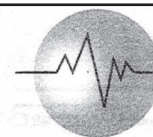


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