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*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

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**May 3, 2015**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

*Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible*

## **Church of the Epiphany– May 3, 2015**

### **Annual Golden Wedding 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](mailto: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. We already have one couple who has registered.

### **Family Life Rosary**

The members of our parish Respect Life Group invite you to join with them in praying the rosary on Tuesday, May 5th following the 8:00 am Mass.

### **Mother's Day Novena**

Next Sunday, May 10th, is Mother's Day. A wonderful way to remember our mothers, living and deceased, is to enroll them in our Mother's Day Novena of Masses that will be celebrated during the month of May at Epiphany. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the church narthex. Please return them in the collection basket by Mother's Day.

### **Anniversary of the Dedication of Our Church**

Next weekend we will celebrate at all our Masses the 48th anniversary of the dedication of the "new" Epiphany church, with a special observance at the 12:00 pm choir Mass. The actual date of dedication is May 14, 1967.

### **Blessing for Expectant Families**

We will have a special blessing for families who are anticipating the birth or adoption of a child at the 10:00 am Family Mass on Sunday, May 17th.

### **The Epiphany School 21st Annual Golf Outing**

Our school's annual Golf Outing will take place on Monday, May 18, 2015 (rain or shine) at the prestigious Wykagyl Country Club in New Rochelle, NY. Registration begins at 11:00 am followed by a BBQ lunch. Shotgun start at 12:30 pm. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a dinner buffet from 5:00 - 9:00 pm. Tickets are \$395 per golfer; \$1,575 for a foursome. Cocktail party and dinner only is \$150. For additional information call the Epiphany Foundation office at 212-473-6158.

### **Benefit Reception**

The Church of St. Vincent Ferrer in Manhattan will host Pregnancy Help, Incorporated's (PHI) Spring Reception on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, in the Priory from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm. A Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 pm by Fr. Walter C. Wagner, O.P. Camile and Rory Kelleher will be honored for their steadfast support of women faced with an unplanned pregnancy. Funded entirely by private donations, PHI assists women in crisis in their Greenwich Village Office five days a week and with an around-the-clock hotline answered by a counselor 365 days a year. Some 3,000 women are helped annually. Tickets are \$100. Please call Keelyn Mulvey at (914) 319-3798 for additional information or email her at [keelynmulvey1@gmail.com](mailto:keelynmulvey1@gmail.com).

### **Parishioners Helping Parishioners (PHP)**

We wish to remind you of this parish outreach ministry that came about as a result of the feedback from parishioners when we conducted the survey as part of *Making All Things New*. PHP consists of parish volunteers who have been screened and trained to provide services to the homebound of Epiphany parish such as escorts to doctor appointments, light shopping, friendly visits, telephone reassurance calls, and other needs that can be accommodated. If you or someone you know can benefit from PHP, you can fill out an inquiry form that is available in the church narthex or the parish office, call the PHP help line at 646-429-9541 or send an e-mail to [EpiphanyPHP@gmail.com](mailto:EpiphanyPHP@gmail.com). A PHP volunteer will then be in touch with you.

## Announced Mass Intentions

### *Monday, May 4, 2015*

8:00 am Mary Collins & John J. Collins  
12.10 pm Joe Feely

### *Tuesday, May 5, 2015*

8:00 am Special Intention / St. Anthony  
12:10 pm Joseph Pappalardo

### *Wednesday, May 6, 2015*

8:00 am Alana Schmitt (Living)  
Mass of Thanksgiving  
12:10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh

### *Thursday, May 7, 2015*

8:00 am Michael Duff  
12:10 pm The Souls in Purgatory

### *Friday, May 8, 2015*

8:00 am Silus Garrett  
12:10 pm Estelle DeVito Milio, MD

### *Saturday, May 2, 2015*

8:00 am Martha DeSteno

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

## **Stewardship**

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We encourage parishioners to make their  
contributions using ParishPay.

## Cardinal's Annual Appeal

Our current totals as this bulletin goes to press: 206 families and individuals have contributed \$115,365 (of which \$89,485 has been paid) which is 86% of our parish goal of \$134,000. We have \$18,365 to go in order to reach that goal.

We are extremely grateful to all those who have contributed thus far. Your great generosity is the reason we are only 14% away from reaching our goal.

We continue to reach out to those who have not yet made a gift to the Cardinal's Appeal. No gift is too small and every gift is a helping hand to our needy sisters and brothers in Christ.

If you have not yet contributed to the Appeal, please consider doing so in the next few weeks. Contribution envelopes are available in the narthex. All you need to do is drop it in the basket on Sunday.

Epiphany has a tradition of always reaching and even exceeding our goal. Let's try and keep this tradition alive.

## New Web Site

We have totally redesigned our parish website which is now online. Visit [epiphanychurch.nyc](http://epiphanychurch.nyc) in order to view it. This is our new domain name. The former domain name is still active, but all hits to our website will be transferred to the new domain name.

The new website is easier to navigate and much simpler for us to update, making it easier for us to keep current with parish news and events. We trust that you will like this improvement.

The pictures on the website, including the beautiful panorama of the interior of the church, were taken by a parishioner, Mr. Greg Lord. We thank him for sharing them with us.

## Ten Tips for Getting More Out of Mass

### 1. Get the “lay of the liturgical land.”

In other words, get to know the Catholic community that is your parish. Get to know your parish church. Stop by the church when Mass is not being celebrated. Slowly and prayerfully take in every element of the church. Contemplate the crucifix. Approach the sanctuary taking in all the sacred architecture. Stop to look at and appreciate every statue. Look at the stained glass windows, especially the “Epiphany window” over the main doors. Pause at the baptism font and thank God for your own baptism. Kneel before the Blessed Sacrament and give thanks for the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave us the night before he died. The more intentionally you “see” the church’s environment (and understand what each element signifies), the more deeply you will be able to enter into the Mass with your mind and heart.

A few things about our beloved church. As most of you know our parish was established in 1868 and the first Epiphany church was consecrated on April 3, 1870. This church was redecorated in 1955 and again in 1963. On the night of December 20, 1963 the church was destroyed by a tragic fire. What made the loss of the church even more tragic was that it was the result of arson.

The rebuilding effort began immediately. The first Mass in the “new” Epiphany was Midnight Mass on December 25, 1966. The church was solemnly dedicated by Francis Cardinal Spellman on May 14, 1967. Our church has the distinction of being the first post Vatican II church built in the Archdiocese of New York. We are also the only church in the Archdiocese named Epiphany. A member of our parish, Mr. Viggo Rambusch, a renowned church designer, was responsible for many of the design elements of the new church.

A few “relics” of the old church are contained in the new. You can notice in the floor directly in front of the altar a piece of marble of a different color that is set into the floor. This is from the floor of the original church. The sanctuary lamp next to the tabernacle is fashioned from one of the “high six” candlesticks that stood on the original altar. And if you look at the Epiphany window in the narthex, especially at the figures of Mary and the infant Jesus, you will notice they are of a much different style from the rest of the window. The figures of Jesus and Mary were the only parts of the original Epiphany window that survived the fire. The artist of the new window skillfully incorporated the surviving elements into it, a reminder of the church that stood on the same spot for almost 100 years.

There is available on our parish website ([www.epiphanychurch.nyc](http://www.epiphanychurch.nyc)) the contents of the book published on the occasion of the dedication of the new church in 1967. It contains a history of the parish up to that point, pictures of the old church, and a detailed description of the building of the new one.

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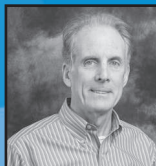
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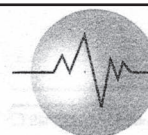


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