

Church Hours:*Monday through Friday hours:*

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday hours:

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday hours:

7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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)

7:30 pm (Contemporary Choir)

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. Baptism class is *required* for all new parents. We ask parents to contact the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard in the church on Saturdays from 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. and during the week at the Parish House or by appointment with a priest

Sacrament of Marriage:

We ask couples planning to get married to contact the Parish Office at least one year 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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The Parish Office is closed on

Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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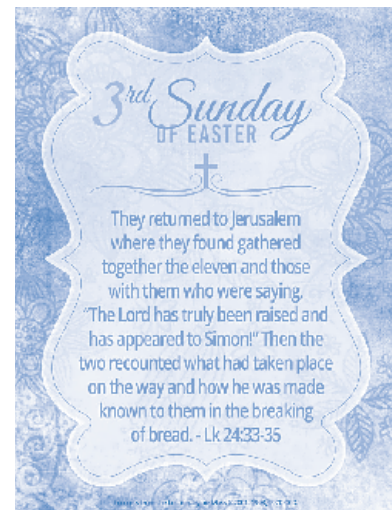
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Third Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2017

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EPIPHANY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena

8:00 pm William H. Frazier

Sunday, April 30

8:00 am Our Parishioners

10:00 am Mary Hyland

12:00 pm Matilde Lee-Llacer

7:30 pm James Gannon

Monday, May 1

8:00 am Dorothy R. Walsh

12:10 pm Lina Llacer

Tuesday, May 2

St. Athanasius

8:00 am Lina Llacer

12:10 pm Lina Llacer

Wednesday, May 3

Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

8:00 am Lina Llacer

12:10 pm Angela & Francu Portelli

Thursday, May 4

8:00 am Herminia Guillermo

12:10 pm Hector Luis Diaz Jr.

Friday, May 5

8:00 am Lina Llacer

12:10 pm Joseph Falzon

Saturday, May 6

8:00 am Lina Llacer

*May the Souls of the Faithful Departed,
Through the Mercy of God,
Rest in peace. Amen*

Epiphany's Longest-Tenured Parishioners

We always welcome those who are new to Epiphany. And we are always grateful to those who have remained with Epiphany from the time they were new to the parish. We want to honor those who have been with us the longest.

If you have been with Epiphany 40 years or more, please call the rectory office M-F, 9-4.

After 40 years, you deserve special recognition!

MASS ATTENDANCE

April 22 - 23

| | | | | |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
| 4:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM | 12:00 PM | 7:30 PM |
| 171 | 116 | 288 | 210 | 201 |

Average **Monthly** offertory per donor: \$41.64

Monthly Offertory gifts range from a low of \$5 to a high of \$675

REMEMBRANCE & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

A wonderful way to remember our loved ones who have passed on and to pray for special intentions, while giving back to God

Announced Mass (\$15)

Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 / week)

Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.



Our Sanctuary Lamp

April 30 - May 6

will burn for the intentions of
Dr. Donald Mayer &
Victor Tabije

Our Bread & Wine

April 30 - May 6

will be offered for
members of the Baduria family
living & deceased



Visitation



SICK and HOMEBOUND

The Legionnaires of Mary would be happy to pay a visit to any of Epiphany's homebound parishioners. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

Any parishioner seeking anointing is invited to call the rectory to make arrangements.



Golden Wedding Jubilee

Annual Mass

at St. Patrick's Cathedral
Sunday, June 11 at 2:00 PM

Couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2017 are invited to attend a Mass celebrated by His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan.

Pre-registration is required.

(All couples must register in their home parish.)

Please call the Epiphany rectory to make arrangements.

Closing date for registration is Friday, May 12

If you're having trouble hearing in Epiphany Church...

It may be as simple as moving closer to the sanctuary.

You'll be closer to the action - and when God has a message just for you, you'll hear his Word loud and clear!!



HEARING LOOP INSTALLED
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

Epiphany church offers a loop system for anyone wearing a hearing aid with a "T" (telecoil) setting.

To use this service, hearing aid wearers must sit in the first five rows behind the Lector pew on the left side of the church, facing the pulpit.

Surrounding these pews, there is a copper band on the floor, which enables the system.

This Week at Epiphany
April 30 - May 6

Tuesday - 22 Club - CANCELLED

Wednesday - 5:00 PM - Legion of Mary (rectory)

Wednesday - 3:30 PM - First Communion rehearsal

Saturday - 11:00 AM - First Communion Mass

Ministry at Epiphany
We need you!

We invite all our parishioners to offer their services in the different ministries at Epiphany.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist - bring the body of Christ to others

(Mandatory Training: May 15 at 7:00 PM in the church)

Lectors - share the word of God at Epiphany liturgies and special spiritual events

Our **Spirituality Committee** to assist in planning special spiritual events

Our new **Gardening Fellowship Ministry** - you can assist in beautifying our plaza and surrounding areas

Legionnaires of Mary to visit the sick & homebound and spread the comfort of prayer.

Please call the rectory to enroll
in any of our very fulfilling ministries.

ON THE MONEY

Life continues - and so do the bills...
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NYC mandate to upgrade elevator - \$5,100

Previews of bills yet to come

- Burst Radiator
- Mandated NYC elevator testing
& inspection of the testing



'Thank You' Reception for Epiphany Volunteers

Friday, May 19 - 7:00 PM in the *narthex*

If you are currently volunteering at Epiphany,
please join us for a reception in your honor.

Let us show our appreciation
with refreshments and hors d'oeuvres
in the company of friends & fellow volunteers.

Kindly RSVP to the rectory before Friday, May 12.

212-475-1966 or epiphanychurch239@gmail.com



Save the Date
Wine Tasting

Friday, June 2 at 7:00 PM
Epiphany Parish Hall

The 2017 Cardinal's Appeal

Your gift to the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*.
enriches our Catholic faith in so many ways.

| WEEK 12 | # of gifts | GOAL | PLEDGED |
|---------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| 2016 | 307 | \$131,000 | \$149,050 |
| 2017 | 160 | \$126,000 | \$111,975 |

We are grateful to everyone who has pledged already,
though we are struggling this year to bring our totals
up to the level in the same week in the 2016 *Appeal*.

***For where your treasure is,
there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21***

We humbly ask our parishioners to reflect prayerfully
on their decision to make a pledge to the *Appeal*.



First Holy Communion

Our Epiphany school children and
their classmates from nearby schools
will receive their First Eucharist at a
special Mass on Saturday, May 6

Please keep them in your prayers
as they receive this sacrament,
so vital to their spiritual life.

May the Eucharist become the center of their lives!



Cowboy Justice

A cowboy appeared before St. Peter at the pearly gates.
"Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St. Peter
asked.

"Well, I can think of one thing," the cowboy
offered. "Once, on a trip to the Black Hills of
South Dakota, I came upon a gang of bikers,
who were threatening a young woman. I
directed them to leave her alone, but they
wouldn't listen. So, I approached the largest and most heavily
tattooed biker and smacked him in his face, kicked his bike
over, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground. I
then yelled, 'Now, back off, or I'll whup the tar out of you!'"

St. Peter was impressed. He leafed through the great book he
held. "When did this happen?"

"Just a couple minutes ago. . ."



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Thoughts on the Road to Emmaus

By Staci Stallings

"... their eyes were opened, and they recognized him..." ~ Luke 24:31

Two friends—people who had known Jesus, who had walked with Him, talked with Him, and eaten meals with Him every day for three years didn't recognize Him even on a long walk down a dusty road. Have you ever wondered about that? I have. How could that possibly be?

The reality is: the disciples were looking at a man who happened to be traveling along the same road they were. They did not see Jesus because they did not expect to see Jesus.

How many times on our walks through life do we not see Jesus? How many times do we talk with a co-worker or a parent or a child or a friend or even someone we have never met before and fail to recognize that this person holds a precious piece of Our Lord and Savior within them? And because we don't recognize Jesus in them, we treat them not as we would treat Jesus, but as just our friend, or just our co-worker, or just our child.

It must make Jesus terribly sad that for all our flowery words and pious presumptions, we still do not recognize Him in each other.

Moreover, consider this: Is it possible that in religious settings, we look at one another, and instead of seeing Jesus, we see only the other person's religion, their label? And because we don't see Jesus, we say, "You are so obviously not spiritual—look, you stand when we are kneeling, or you use crucifixes instead of picturing the risen Lord, or you pray to statues and icons instead of to the living God, or you don't have our label, and so, obviously God is not going to let you into His kingdom."

Thus, we spend so much time questioning each other's commitment to Jesus and so much time fighting over man-made rules and laws that we forget about those people who are lost and hurting. We forget to do God's real work—ministering to those who are hungry for His word and His truths to come into their lives. Instead, having been seduced by Satan to believe that God's kingdom is some kind of exclusive club, we spend our time fighting with each other about who is going to get in and completely fail to see that the world is going to hell around us.

However, we have the choice to open our eyes and commit ourselves to do God's work here on earth. Rather than judging, we can reach out to the lost souls—not by telling them about God's love, but by showing them how great God's love is. Witnessing by how we live and how we treat one another, so that they look to us and say, "I want to be like them. I want what they have." And then maybe God's grace will touch their hearts and make them ask, "How do I get it? What do they have that I don't?" But living this way hinges on whether or not we see Jesus in every single person we happen to walk down a path with in our day-to-day lives. When we look at another person, do we see someone who is worthy of Christ's message? Someone whom God loves beyond measure? Do we see Jesus Himself—lost, hurting, and alone? Or do we see just another person.

I tell you truly, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.
~ Matthew 25:45

Think about the inherent admonition in these words. Our goal should be to treat others not as we want to be treated but as we would treat Jesus Himself. That is God's real work. We are commissioned to spend our time ministering to God's children—rather than trying to improve our status in His eyes or to impress one another.

By opening our eyes to Jesus' presence in the those around us, we will come to see His spirit manifesting in our own lives. And thus we can say as the disciples did at the conclusion to the Emmaus story -
"Were not our hearts burning within us while He was speaking to us on the road..."
~ Luke 24:32

Open your eyes. This opportunity is with you right now. Don't waste this chance to get to know the Jesus who is in your midst at this very moment.

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