



EPIPHANY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:00 pm

Sunday
7:30 am
9:00 am (Korean)
10:30 am
Last Sunday of the Month
12:00 pm (Lithuanian)

Monday - Friday
7:30 am

First Saturday of the Month
8:00 am (Latin – Novus Ordo)

Holy Days of Obligation
7:30 am & 7:00 pm

Confessions

Monday - Friday
8:00 - 8:30 am

Saturday
4:00 - 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday
5:30 – 6:30 pm

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2023

Reverend Stefan Megyery

Pastor

SACRAMENTS & PARISH SERVICES

Infant Baptisms

Please visit the parish website to register or contact the parish office.

Marriage

Please call at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date. Marriage preparation, and instruction are required.

Sick Calls

Please call if any parishioners are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick.

Religious Education (CCD) for Children

For those preparing for First Holy Communion.
Please contact the parish office.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

For those who would like to join the Catholic Church.
Please contact the parish office.

Adult Confirmation

For Catholics who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
Please contact the parish office.

Parish Membership

New parishioners may register online by visiting the parish website.

Contact

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Washington, D.C. 20007
(202) 965-1610

epiphanygeorgetown@gmail.com
www.georgetownepiphany.org

DAILY MEDITATION: MATTHEW 18:21-35

Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you? (Matthew 18:33)

People saddled with impossible debt, desperate pleas for more time, threats of imprisonment and even torture—why did Jesus tell such an upsetting parable? To help his disciples understand the need to show mercy when someone sins against them. Peter’s question started it all: “How often must I forgive?” (Matthew 18:21). It was understandable. Shouldn’t there be a limit to how often we should forgive, especially repeated offenses? An honest look at ourselves might help us see the answer. How often do we go to the Lord asking for mercy for the same sins again and again? We would never want him to tell us we have reached our limit. Thankfully, he never does; he repeatedly forgives us.

Not only does God forgive us again and again; he doesn’t hold our sins against us. Remember the unforgiving servant. His entire debt was wiped out. There was nothing hanging over him. Similarly, God has pardoned every sin we have ever committed and stands ready to forgive every sin we will ever commit. Nothing is outside the scope of his mercy. He forgives us everything.

This is the standard of mercy that Jesus calls us to imitate. It’s not so different from the Lord’s Prayer: “Forgive us . . . as we forgive” (Matthew 6:12). Granted, today’s parable is more graphic. But it shows us that God doesn’t want us imprisoned in unforgiveness and tortured by resentment. He knows how hard it is to forgive. But he went so far as to give us his only Son to cleanse us and soften our hearts so that we could share that same mercy.

Mercy goes beyond simply not punishing offenses. It forgives the entire debt. That’s how God treats us. Let that truth change how you treat the people who offend you.

“Heavenly Father, strengthen me to be able to forgive others as you have forgiven me!”

Sirach 27:30–28:7 Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12 Romans 14:7-9

Collections

September 10 Offertory Collection: \$2846

Second Collection “CUA”: \$504

Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$4792

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Saint of the Day

September 20



On Monday, September 20th, the Church commemorates the Korean martyrs **Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions**. Saint Andrew Kim is the first native-born Korean priest, and he is the patron saint of Korea. Andrew Kim’s parents were converts to the faith, and his father, grandfather, and several uncles were executed for it by the rulers at that time who were afraid that Christianity would undermine their power. Saint Andrew Kim was baptized at the age of 15, entered the seminary in Macao/China and was ordained a priest. He returned to Korea to minister and evangelize. Two years later, at the age of 25, he was captured as he made his way along the Korean shoreline to find safe and secret passages for other missionaries. He was tortured and beheaded on September 26, 1846. ***Let us keep our brothers and sisters from our Korean Community in our prayers on their feast day.***

MASS SCHEDULE and INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 16	5:00 pm (Vigil) <i>Emily Barrion</i> <i>Almendralo</i>
Sunday, September 17 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30 am <i>Our Parish Family</i> 9:00 am (Korean Mass) 10:30 am <i>Zenaida Rivero de</i> <i>Alviarez</i>
Monday, September 18	7:30 am <i>Joseph Maher</i>
Tuesday, September 19	7:30 am <i>Holy Souls</i>
Wednesday, September 20 Saints Andrew Kim Taegon & Comp.	7:30 am <i>Epiphany Korean</i> <i>Community</i>
Thursday, September 21 Saint Matthew	7:30 am <i>Holy Souls</i>
Friday, September 22	7:30 am <i>Holy Souls</i>

Epiphany Catholic Church

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear fellow parishioners,

As we all know when compared with our neighboring parishes we are rather small but nevertheless a vibrant parish. Home also to high-spirited Korean and Lithuanian communities, we average around 200 people every weekend at our various Masses. This year alone, our community was blessed to celebrate 15 baptisms, 10 confirmations and 6 weddings – all signs of the active presence of the Holy Spirit in our parish. We are blessed to have a beautiful and growing music ministry, led by Mr. Neil Weston. Our cantors and choir provide uplifting and spiritually enriching music during our Sunday Masses as well as on special occasions like on Corpus Christi, at Evening Prayers during our Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday during Lent and Advent, and at the Tenebrae Service during Holy Week.

Today, I turn to you and ask for your help to preserve our precious jewel of a parish. Over the last couple of years, we have fallen woefully behind in the revenues needed to continue as a viable parish. This fiscal year (ending June 30, 2024) we expect to fall short in meeting our basic expenses by nearly \$75,000, and will have to utilize funds from our reserves to cover the shortfall. If we continue on this trajectory, our financial resources will be exhausted very quickly. With that comes the danger that our parish with its rich and vibrant history would become financially unviable, resulting in a potential closure as the Archdiocese of Washington cannot and will not subsidize parishes that are not viable. Therefore, it is vital that we cover our shortfall and establish a stable financial platform for the future.

Fortunately, there is a solution. If every parishioner gives an additional \$10 to their weekly offering we can cover our shortfall. Of course, additional contributions are always welcome. If you value the intimacy of our community, our traditional and reverent liturgy, our Sunday Socials, and our music, please help us meet our financial obligations.

If you have specific questions about our financial situation, you can email Paul Thrasher, member of our Finance Council, at paultcpa@msn.com or me at pastor@epiphanygeorgetown.org and we will be happy to discuss this further.

Together, we can overcome this and with the grace of God we will meet this challenge.

Yours sincerely in Christ

Rev. Jeff Barry

Epiphany Catholic Church

PARISH LIFE

POPE FRANCIS' UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER



For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.



Eucharistic Adoration

Our Next Holy Hour will be on
Wednesday September 20, 2023
from 5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m.



We will resume our traditional and beloved "First Sunday Socials."

Our first Sunday Social "Oktoberfest" will be on **October 1, 2023** immediately after the 10:30am Mass in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome!

Please join us for a time of fellowship and good food.

DIVE INTO THE STORY OF HOW
CHRIST ESTABLISHED HIS KINGDOM IN

Matthew

A 24-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING
JEFF CAVINS



Join us for our Bible Studies!!

Dates - Times - Location
Wednesday evenings
from 7pm to 8:30pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 9/20

Epiphany Catholic Church
Parish Hall
2712 Dumbarton Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20007

Cost - Registration
Purchase (\$37.95+T&S) at:
<https://ascensionpress.com/collections/matthew-the-king-and-his-kingdom/products/matthew-the-king-and-his-kingdom-study-set-1>
For More Information

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom shows how Jesus fulfills God's promises to Israel and establishes his kingdom on earth. Through references to Testament promises of God to his people, messages God sent them through the prophets, *Matthew* provides the key to understanding of the New Testament and Christ as the fulfiller of God's plan.

Jeff Cavins explains how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to achieve a new level of holiness. To live it, we must be thoroughly immersed in the kingdom of heaven on earth, the Church.

"Once you start learning, he makes you hungry for more. Jeff pulls everything you need to know out of the Bible, and it all starts to make sense like it never did before."

—Margaret



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Epiphany Catholic Church

Sacred Music

Harmony in Faith: Consider Participating in the Choir at Epiphany Catholic Church

Music has long been held in high esteem at Epiphany Catholic Church. Over the past century of our parish life, countless members of the faithful have offered their God given talent in this place to serve the liturgy. Central to this tradition of service has been the choir, a group of devoted individuals who play a pivotal role in enhancing our worship. In this short article, we aim to shed light on the significance of the choir and extend a heartfelt invitation to consider joining the wonderful group of people who serve from the choir loft week by week.

The Choir

For centuries, choirs have played a vital role in the Catholic Church, lending their voices to elevate the sacred nature of the liturgical celebrations. Our choir embodies this rich tradition, channeling the talents of its members to foster an atmosphere of reverence, devotion, and joy during our regular Sunday Masses and other special occasions.

Building Our Musical Life

At Epiphany, we are committed to nurturing and expanding our music program, with a particular focus on our choir. We understand that our choir members are not just singers; they are ministers who contribute to the spiritual well-being of the parish, through their service in the Sacred Liturgy. At this time, we are actively seeking volunteers who possess the gift of a pleasant voice and the ability to match pitch who would be interested in joining the choir. Our Director of Sacred Music, Neil Weston, is committed to building up the choir, with a vision of creating an ensemble that embodies a spirit of unity and devotion.


If you've ever dreamed of sharing your vocal talents in a sacred setting, our choir is the perfect place for you to express your faith through music. Joining our choir offers numerous benefits, both for you personally and for our faith community:

1. **Spiritual Enrichment:** Singing in the choir provides a profound opportunity for spiritual growth. You'll be actively participating in the liturgy, allowing you to connect to the sacred action in a more profound way.
2. **Community and Fellowship:** Our choir is more than just a musical group; it's a family of like-minded individuals who share a passion for worship through song.
3. **Musical Education:** If you're interested in improving your singing skills or learning more about music theory, our choir offers a supportive environment for growth. You'll receive guidance from experienced choir members and our Director of Sacred Music.
4. **Service to the Church:** By joining our choir, you become a vital part of our parish's ministry. Your contributions will be felt and appreciated by all who attend our Masses and special events.

Rehearsal and Commitment

Our choir rehearses every Sunday at 9:30 am, before the 10:30 am Mass at which they sing. The commitment required is manageable and incredibly rewarding. While a pleasant voice and the ability to match pitch are important, a sincere desire to serve the Lord through music is paramount. Our choir members find that the time invested in practice and performance is a labor of love, one that brings them closer to God and strengthens their sense of belonging within our church.

As we continue to build our choir and music program, we extend a warm invitation to all those who feel called to share their musical talents with our faith community. For more information on how to become a member of our choir, please reach out to Neil Weston by sending an email to music@epiphanygeorgetown.org. We look forward to welcoming you with open arms and open hearts as we continue our sacred musical journey together.

시작성가	286	성체성가	158
봉헌성가	216	마침성가	285
제1독서	지혜서 3,1-9	제2독서	로마서 8,31-39
화답송			
복음 환호송	눈물 로 씨 뿌 리던 사 람 들 환 호 하 며 거 두 리 라		
◎ 알렐루야	복 음 루카 9,23-26		
○ 그리스도의 이름 때문에 모욕을 당하면 너희는 행복하리니, 하느님의 성령이 너희 위에 머물러 계시리라.	“나 때문에 자기 목숨을 잃는 사람은 목숨을 구할 것이다”(9,24).		

◎ 순교자 대축일 미사 안내 오늘 9월 17일(주일)에는 “성 김대건 안드레아 사제와 성 정하상 바오로와 동료 순교자들 대축일(9월 20일)” 미사를 봉헌합니다. 독서와 복음 말씀은 “매일 미사” 117쪽은 참고하시기 바랍니다.

◎ 야외미사 및 야유회 9월 24일(주일) 아침 10시에 한인 공동체 야외 미사가 있고, 미사 후 야유회가 있습니다. 많은 참여와 협조 바랍니다. 이날 본당에서 아침 9시 미사는 없습니다. 참고하시기 바랍니다.

장소: Nottoway Park Reseable Picnic Area Shelter
#19537 Courthouse Road, Vienna 22181

◎ 본당 가을 축제 안내 10월 1일(주일) 아침 10시 30분 합동 미사를 봉헌합니다. 미사 후 본당 가을 축제(Octoberfest)에 많은 참여 바랍니다. 이날 9시 미사는 없으니 합동 미사에 참례 바랍니다.

◎ 성인, 어린이 예비자 교리 2023-2024년 예비자 교리는 지난주부터 시작하였습니다. 교리는 성당 옆 사제관 지하 교리실에서 10시 30분에 있습니다. 가톨릭 신자가 되고자 하시는 분들과 견진성사를 받고자 하시는 분들을 초대합니다. 많은 관심과 참여 바랍니다.

◎ 주일학교 개강 안내 초중고 주일학교 교리가 지난주에 개강을 했습니다. 주일학교 교리는 성당 옆 사제관 1층에서 9시 미사 후에 있습니다. 초중고 학생들이 주일학교 교리에 참여할 있도록 부모님들과 관심과 협조 바랍니다.

◎ 금주의 미사 지향

< 생미사 >

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◎ 감사헌금 김박자 리오바 \$1,000

◎ 2024달력 광고 안내 내년 달력을 제작하고자 합니다. 달력에 사업체나 단체 광고를 신청하실분은 9월 24일(주일)까지 koreanmadonna@hotmail.com로 연락주시기 바랍니다. 달력 제작에 도네이션도 받습니다. 많은 관심과 협조 바랍니다.

◎ Memorial Garden 본당 성모상 주변에 조성되어 있는 “기념 정원” 신청 받습니다. 기념 정원 벽돌은 (크기는 4"×8") 한글이나 영어로 세줄을 넣을 수 있습니다 (한 줄에 띄어쓰기와 부호를 포함 18자). 벽돌 하나의 가격은 \$300이고, 2개는 \$500입니다. 기념 정원 신청은 본당 웹사이트(www.georgetownepiphany.org)에서만 가능합니다.

	9월 17일(주일)	9월 24일(주일)	우리들의 정성	교황님의 9월 기도 지향
독서자	여수경 마리아 정수연 마리아	조은희 글라라 김양순 골롬바	9월 10일 (9시 미사) 1차 \$784.00 2차 \$120.00 감사드립니다.	소외되어 살아가는 이들 사회에서 소외되어 비인간적 생활 환경에서 살아가는 이들이 제도 안에서 홀대받지도 않고 결코 하찮은 존재로 여겨지지 않도록 기도합니다.
복사	김이안 반서연, 반서진	최서윤 스텔라 이채령 아가다		
친교	소공동체 C	성모회		

[한국 순교자 대축일] 축일 9월 20일



○ 성 김대건 안드레아와 성 정하상 바오로와
동료 순교자들이여,

● 저희를 위하여 빌어주소서.

“주어라. 그러면 너희도 받을 것이다. 누르고 흔들어서 넘치도록 후하게 되어 너희 품에 담아 주실 것이다.
너희가 되질하는 바로 그 되로 너희도 되받을 것이다.” (루카 6:38)

친애하는 교우 여러분,

우리 성당은 비교적 작은 규모에도 불구하고 한인 공동체와 리투아니아 공동체를 비롯한 모든 신자분들의 활발한 참여 덕분에 200명이 넘는 신자들이 매주 주일 미사에 참여하고 있습니다. 올 한 해에만 본당에서 15명이 세례성사를 받았고, 10명의 견진성사, 그리고 혼인성사가 6번 거행되었는데, 이는 모두 우리 안에서 함께 해 주시는 성령님의 끝없는 은총 덕분입니다. 또한 Neil Weston 단장이 이끄는 성가대와 반주단에 힘입어 주일 미사 뿐 아니라 성체 성혈 대축일 (Corpus Christi), 사순부터 대림 시기 매주 수요일에 행해지는 성체 조배 (Eucharistic Adoration), 성주간 (Holy Week) 동안 바쳐지는 어둠의 기도 (the Tenebrae Service) 등 전례력에 따른 본당 행사들이 영적으로 더욱 충만해지고 있습니다.

오늘 저는 교우 여러분들께 이렇게 소중한 우리의 본당을 지키기 위한 도움의 손길을 부탁드립니다. 펜을 들었습니다. 안타깝게도, 지난 2년동안 본당의 재정 수입이 급속히 줄어들어 본당 운영에 필요한 기본적인 자금의 총당조차 어려워졌고, 이는 워싱턴 대교구 내에서 우리 본당의 입지가 현저히 줄어들었다는 것을 의미합니다. 이번 회계연도가 마무리 되는 2024년 6월 30일이 되면 재정 적자는 약 7만5천불 정도에 달할 것으로 추정되는데, 현재로서는 이 적자를 본당 비축금에서 메꿀 수 밖에 없습니다.

상황이 이대로 지속된다면 본당의 재정 고갈은 시간 문제이며, 이는 본당의 존폐와도 직결되어 있습니다. 우리와 같이 재정 위기를 겪는 경우에 관해 워싱턴 대교구는 재정 보조를 지급하면서까지 본당을 유지시킬 수는 없다는 입장이기 때문입니다. 따라서, 우리는 당연한 문제를 극복 할 뿐 아니라, 앞으로도 지속 가능하고 안정적인 재정 시스템을 구축할 필요가 있습니다.

하지만 이러한 난관에 대한 해결책이 없는 것은 아닙니다. 앞으로 신자들이 평소에 봉헌하던 주일 헌금에 10불씩만 더 봉헌해 주신다면 현재의 재정 적자는 해소 될 수 있습니다. 물론, 그밖에 다른 종류의 재정 기부도 감사히 쓰일 것입니다. 여러분께서 우리의 친밀하고도 풍요로운 공동체, 성스러운 전례, 주일 친교, 그리고 아름다운 전례 음악을 소중히 여기시는 만큼, 지금 우리가 처한 위기를 극복할 수 있도록 모든 신자분들의 도움이 절실히 필요한 때입니다.

본당의 재정 상황에 대해 더 궁금한 점이 있으시면 재무 담당 Paul Thrasher (paultcpa@msn.com) 또는 저에게 이메일 주십시오 (pastor@epiphanygeorgetown.org). 신자분들과의 대화 통로는 언제나 열려 있습니다. 우리 모두의 성과 노력이 함께 한다면 하느님의 무한한 은총 속에서 이번 위기를 슬기롭게 극복 할 수 있다고 저는 굳게 믿습니다.

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SIMPLICITY

Go to our parish website and click on the Parish Giving logo to register or log in.
In addition to recurring contributions, donations can be made as a one-time or an unplanned gift.

SECURITY

Security is our top priority - sensitive account information is not stored and is never shared with a third party.

CONVENIENCE

Online giving provides the account holder the ability to have Sunday be about our faith.
If sickness, travel or weather prevents attendance, your contributions will continue uninterrupted from your bank account or credit/debit card.

PARISH BENEFITS

Our parish will see a substantial increase in stewardship while reducing administrative costs. In addition to regular online giving contributions, you can also donate by any amount at any time by any means.

EASY RECORD KEEPING

24/7 account access to view and print your online giving contributions.



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