



# *Epiphany of Our Lord Catholic Church*

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## **MASS & SACRAMENTS**

**Sunday Masses:** 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am

**Weekday Masses Monday, Wednesday**

**Thursday, Friday & Saturdays:** 8:00 am

**Tuesday Morning Prayer:** 8:00 am

**Tuesday Mass:** 5:30 pm

**Saturday Masses** 8:00 am and 5:00 pm

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday,  
7:00-7:50 am or by appointment.

Tuesdays, 5-5:20 pm

**Baptisms:** Meeting first Thursday of the  
month. Preregistration required.

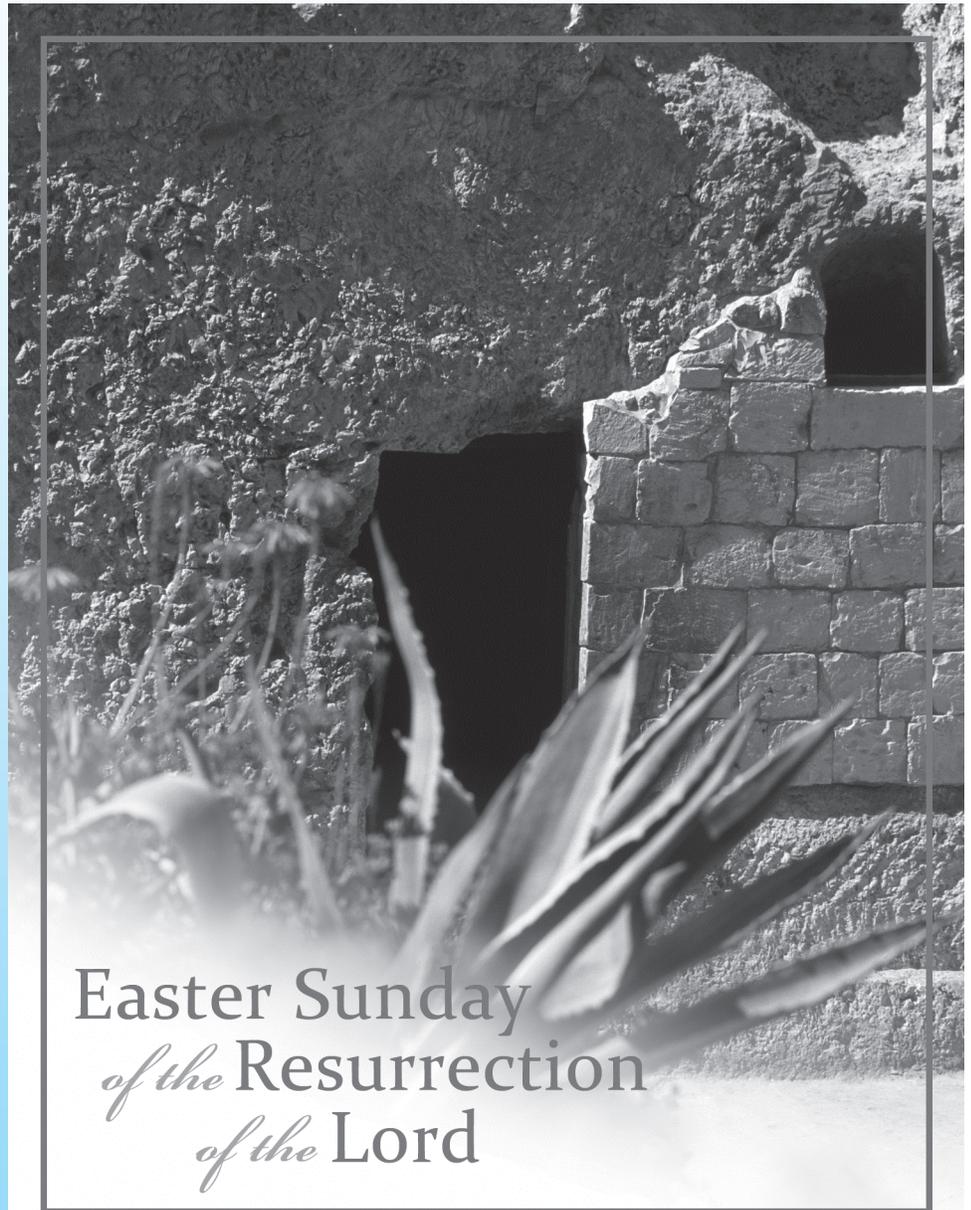
**Marriages:** Contact the priest at least 9  
months prior to the wedding date.

**Funerals:** To be arranged by contacting  
the Parish Office.

**Change of Address or Telephone**

**Number:** Please call the Parish Office.

**Bulletin Deadline:** 4:00 pm Monday.



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**Easter Sunday of the  
Resurrection of the Lord  
April 5, 2015**

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# LIVING OUR FAITH

## From the Desk of Fr. Pastorius

1. **Blessed Easter to One And All:** May our, Lord Jesus, not let the fear of death overpower us. May He not allow the loss of our loved ones cause us to doubt in His power to "Easter" everybody. Remind us, Lord, that You have the last words over death. You are risen! You are not "among the dead." Neither are we. We shall live forever in Your triumphant love. Amen.
2. **Faith & Family Programming April 7, 2015 - First Tuesday:** 6:30 Blue Knights @ UH 6:30 Little Flowers @ UH 6:30 Young Disciples @ UH 6:30 Chosen (Confirmation Class) @ UH 6:30 Confirmation Parent Mtg @ Church 7:00 Pillars of the Faith @ Rectory
3. **Financial Assistance for School Families:** Epiphany of Our Lord Parish offers financial assistance to families who wish to attend a Catholic School. The tuition assistance that we can offer depends upon the needs of the family and the number of families that apply. Any family wishing to receive financial assistance will need to participate in our School Covenant Program. Part of this program is a meeting with Father Pastorius and two other parishioners. Times are set aside on 4/14. 5/14. 6/30, 7/16 & 8/11. Please call Fr. Pastorius at the rectory to set up an appointment for one of those days. 314.781.1199
4. **Saint Louis Life Teen:** If you are a teen or have a teen that did not participate in our Luke 18 retreat weekend at DuBourg high school, you have no idea what you missed. Everyone who participated had fun, created new friends, and deepened their relationship with the Lord. Don't miss out any more. Attend St. Louis Life Teen on Wednesday at DuBourg at 7PM. I am so confident in our program that I am going to put my money where my mouth is - Any Epiphany teen that attends four events between now and June 1st will be entered into a raffle. I will pull one name out of the hat and that person will receive a \$100 gift card to Amazon, iTunes, or for gas.
5. **Congratulations to Our Little Lambs who received their First Communion next Sunday**  
On Divine Mercy Sunday our Little Lambs will receive their First Communion at the 11AM Mass

God bless,  
Fr. Tom

## The Resurrection of the Lord Gospel Jn 20:1-9

**Spiritual Reflection:** It is the small details in the Resurrection stories that are the most important. For example "the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place," tells us that the body was not stolen because who would take the time to unwrap a body they were stealing while Roman Guards were nearby. If someone was going to steal a body, they would take the body and the wrappings it was in with them and may be later take the body out of the burial clothes. In a similar way sometimes it is small things that show Jesus is alive still in our life.

### Spiritual Questions

1. What are some of small ways in which you know Christ is alive?
2. Why is it important that Mary Magdala was the first witness?
3. They believed in the Resurrection before they saw Christ? How about you?
4. How can you better understand Scripture?
5. How do you plan to grow in faith?

### OUR OFFERING FOR THE WEEK OF

Envelope .....	\$4,029.00	
Loose .....	\$1,279.33	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$5,358.33</b>	
Easter .....	\$40.00	
Easter Flower .....	\$66.00	
Holy Land .....	\$30.00	
Maintenance & Repair ..	\$103.00	
Priest Retirement .....	\$50.00	
SVDP .....	\$200.00	
Votive .....	\$50.00	
Debt .....	\$15.00	\$2,306.50(YTD)
Tuition Assistance .....	\$20.00	\$1,183.00(YTD)
Endowment Fund .....	\$	\$(YTD)



**ProLife** "Every child, at every age of development, brings us God's smile and invites us to recognize that life is his gift, a gift to be welcomed with love and preserved with care always and at every moment." – 2009-10 Respect Life Program Flyer, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

**Many Thanks** to Kay & John Gundy for funding the refurbishment and replacement of the Chimes for the Bell Choir. The chimes add another element of beautiful music to our Liturgy.

### **Stewardship** "Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." - COLOSSIANS 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for God's response on how we should use our gifts to fulfill His plan.

## Spiritual Ponderings

## Exploring Vocations

For the month of April, I would like to take a closer look at what the Church means by vocations. As we enter into this month's reflection, please note that I will not be writing about any one specific vocation in the Church but rather working on this radical idea that God chooses to let us be his co-workers.

As we begin our pondering of the idea of vocation let us look at Luke's story about how Peter, James, and John became disciples of Jesus:

While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He saw two boats there alongside the lake; the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that they were in danger of sinking. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. (Luke 5:1-11)

The first thing I would like to do is point out that when Peter first encounters Jesus, he does not have a real clue to who Jesus truly was. Jesus probably appeared to Peter as somewhat of a jerk because the Lord barges into Peter's boat and somewhat of a know-it-all because he instructs Peter in fishing despite the fact that Peter was the expert fisherman and Jesus was not. It turned out though that Jesus was more than he appeared because He was God. A true Christian vocation comes out of the realization that God knows better than us and that God's "pushiness" comes from his desire to be with us. Secondly Peter realizes that he is a sinner and begs Jesus to leave. Jesus chooses not to leave but rather calls Peter to follow Him. Only when we realize like Peter that we are not perfect and that we need a savior can we then follow a savior. The fact that Jesus did not walk away lets us know that none of our sins will prevent us from becoming his coworkers. Finally Peter is at a moment in his life where he has everything he could ever dream of including wealth beyond imagination with the great catch of fish but Peter must have sensed that this wealth would not make him truly happy and so he decides to leave all of this wealth behind in order to follow Jesus. While we may never have all the wealth that we want like Peter at a certain point in our lives we have to decide to follow Jesus because we believe Jesus alone will lead us to happiness.

As Catholics we believe that there are three levels of meaning to the word "vocation". The first level is what Catholics refer to as the Universal Call to Holiness. The call is universal because it is a call that everyone receives from God. To put it simply, Every Catholic is called to love like God loves. No matter what our state in life we believe that God has called us to bring and manifest his love in the world.

The second level of the vocation refers to how God desires us to manifest His love in the world. We are called to love in the world in one of four ways: priesthood, religious, married, or single. Each of these vocations is equal but each is different.

Finally the third level of vocation could better be defined as our career. What does God want me to do with my gifts and talents? Should I teach, enter the business world, or be a doctor? It is important not to get the second and third level confused. No one should ever say, "I do not want to be a priest, because I want to be a doctor," because priests can become doctors. No one should say, that "I want to be a teacher therefore I should be a religious."

**Congratulations** St. Mary's High School Sophomore, Danny Ranciglio, a Holy Cross Graduate and Epiphany parishioner, competed in the Archdiocesan Math League Competition. Out of 85 competitors, he was a ribbon winner! Congrats Danny!

# LITURGIES & SCHEDULES

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Easter Sunday, April 5

- 7:00 am Paul Zacheis
- 9:00 am Parishioners
- 11:00 am Special Intentions V.W.

### Monday, April 6

- 8:00 am Dan Nerviani

### Tuesday, April 7

- 8:00 am Morning Prayer
- 5:30 pm Carmen Real Castro

### Wednesday, April 8

- 8:00 am Don & Sean Welby

### Thursday, April 9

- 8:00 am Joseph Linneman

### Friday, April 10

- 8:00 am Mary Bersche

### Saturday, April 11

- 8:00 am Carl J. Bruckner
- 5:00 pm Margaret Finder

### Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12

- 7:00 am Parishioners
- 9:00 am Edra Cannon
- 11:00 am Special Intention S.O.



**MASS  
INTENTIONS**

## OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

### Monday - Saturday, April 6-11

- 7:30 am - Rosary, Church

### Easter Sunday, April 5

- 10:00 am - Bible Study, CMR
- 11:00 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB

### Monday, April 6

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 5:30 pm - Fit Factor, UH
- 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts, Upper Hall

### Tuesday, April 7

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 6:30 pm - Blue Knights, UH
- 6:30 pm - Little Flowers, UH
- 6:30 pm - Young Disciples, UH
- 6:30 pm - Chosen-Confirmation Program, UH
- 6:30 pm - Confirmation Parent Mtg., Church
- 7:00 pm - Pillars of Faith, CMR
- 7:00 pm - Msgr. Sullivan Committee Mtg., AR

### Wednesday, April 8

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 5:30 pm - Fit Factor, UH
- 6:30 pm - Bells Practice, Church

### Thursday, April 9

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 7:00 pm - Youth Group, UH
- 7:30 pm - Prayer Group, Church
- 7:30 pm - Epiphany Men's Club Mtg., AR

### Friday, April 10

- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Msgr. Sullivan Field
- 7:00 am - 5:00 pm - GSA, Gym
- 3:30-6:30 pm - Dance, UH
- 5-6:00 pm - Dance, AR

### Saturday, April 11

### Sunday, April 12

- 10:00 am - Bible Study, CMR
- 11:00 am - Liturgy with Children, RBB
- 11:00 am Mass - First Communion, Church

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND & SICK OF OUR PARISH

Jim Przada	Dominic Caputa	Kathy Kennebeck
Mary Hipskind	Kathy Hatfield	Rosalie Heuing
Gloria Murabito	Edward Joganik	Ethan Sonderman
Sheryl McPherson	Christine Weber	Michael Wesby
Matthew Joganik		Dave Hanneken

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF , 2012

- Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/  
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35
- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

**Epiphany Youth Group Fundraiser** Eat at St. Louis Pizza and Wings and Support Epiphany Youth Group. Please visit St. Louis Pizza and Wings at 4925 Hampton Ave every Monday in April. You must mention Epiphany before placing your order for Dine-in, Carry-out or Delivery and 15% of all sales goes directly to Epiphany Youth Group. Please remember this offer is all day for every Monday in April. Just by eating out you can help send a Youth Group teen to summer camp! Thank you!

## OUR DEARLY DEPARTED



In your kindness, please pray for the repose of the souls of Stephan Castellano, our former parishioner; Martha Jenkins, mother of Tony (Linda) Jenkins; and Della Tolie, mother in law of Vickie Tolie. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

# PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS, NOTES & EVENTS

## EPIPHANY SPRING FLING 2015

Lindenwood Area Senior Ministry invites you to the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fling on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-8pm at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish Gym. This year's theme is *Senior Prom*. Formal attire not required, but a prize will be awarded to the best dressed! Bring a date or come stag - singles and couples welcome! Join us for dinner, dancing and fellowship. Live music will be provided by Larry Hallar & the Two Star Final. A stellar silent auction and attendance prizes are included! Invite your friends & neighbors to attend with you! Purchase your tickets: \$15 per Ticket or Two Tickets for \$25 by contacting Mary Stahl at 781-9558 or Jan Holmes at 644-4299.

All proceeds of the Spring Fling support the programs and services of LASM which include medical transportation, home maintenance and repairs, case management and Stephen Ministry. We continue to seek sponsors for this event as well as recruit silent auction and attendance prize donations. If you would like to make a donation or pledge your sponsorship please contact the LASM Office at 647-4591.

### Epiphany Flea Market We need your stuff!

Epiphany's Flea Market will be here in June. To be successful, we need your stuff to make them somebody else's treasures. Help us to make this year's Flea Market the very best it can be. For information please contact Rich Huelsmann, 645-5941.

**Rice Bowl** *It's not too late to turn in your Rice Bowl donations.* Donations may be given to the ushers or simply left at the entrances of church. Thank you!

**Trivia Night** Get your friends together for an easy reunion and lots of FUN! Use your wits at the Annual Trivia Night benefiting Missouri Chapter, United States Association for Blind Athletes at the Epiphany gymnasium Sat., April 11, 2015. Doors open 6pm Game starts 7pm -\$20/person, 8/table. Reservations due April 8. Beer, soda provided. For more information call Tom Culliton 314-647-0093 \*Mo. Chapter, Inc- United States Association for Blind Athletes provides athletic opportunities for adults and youth with visual impairments and blindness.

### Washington University Cardiology Heart Throbs Trivia Night



**WHEN:** APRIL 11, 2015, from 7-10 PM

**WHERE:** Immaculate Heart of Mary, 4092 Blow Street 63116

Cost is \$20 per person / 8 people per table. Please make checks payable to: American Heart Association and mail

to: Washington University Cardiology, Attn: Kim Blase, 660 S. Euclid Ave, Campus Box 8086, St. Louis, MO 63110.

Contact info: Lisa Brinkmann, 314-799-6031 or [lbrinkma@dom.wustl.edu](mailto:lbrinkma@dom.wustl.edu). Beer and snacks provided. Proceeds will be donated to the American Heart Association.

**Lifeteen** Attention 8th graders AND highschoolers! Join Saint Louis Life Teen this Wednesday, April 8th from 7-9 pm at Bishop DuBourg High School for Youth Mass & Game night! Join your peers in faith & fellowship (and welcome the 8th graders to our community!). Questions? Contact Lauren at 314.288.8873 or [lauren@saintlouislifeteen.org](mailto:lauren@saintlouislifeteen.org). See you soon!

### SMILE! 2015 Epiphany Pictorial Directory

*Don't miss your chance to be a part of our new pictorial directory!* Participate in our upcoming photography program and help our Saint Vincent DePaul Society by donating a non-perishable food item. To thank you for your donation, you will receive **\$5 off** your portrait purchase! Simply take one of the white bags at the entrance of church marked "FEED THE NEED" and bring your non-perishable donation with you to your photo session.



LifeTouch's camera crew will be here to take your family portrait on the following days:

**Tuesday, April 28th from 2-8:50 pm**

**Wednesday, April 29th from 2-8:50 pm**

**Thursday, April 30th from 2-8:50 pm**

**Friday, May 1st from 2-8:50 pm**

**Saturday, May 2nd from 10 am - 4:50 pm**

To reserve your spot online visit us at [www.epiphanystl.org](http://www.epiphanystl.org). Not comfortable using the computer, call the parish office and we will be happy to assist you in scheduling your photography session.

**Many Thanks** to all of the Heavenly Dusters who helped clean our church in preparation for our Easter celebrations! Even with a small crew, we managed to complete the task at hand. Please contact Dolores Sonderaman at 644-0067 if you would like to be a part of this wonderful cleaning crew.

### Lindenwood Park Neighborhood Association To Host Flea Market

Would you like to clean out those overflowing closets and raise money for a good cause? The Lindenwood Park Neighborhood Association is hosting a Flea Market to raise funds for improvements and activities at Lindenwood Park. Cost to display your treasures is \$15/table. If you don't want to host a table, we encourage you to come and "shop til you drop." You may also donate items to the sale by bringing them to the Timothy Lutheran gym on Friday, April 17 anytime after 6:30pm.

**DATE:** Saturday, April 18, 2015

**TIME:** 8am - 1pm

**7-8am** Early Bird Admission \$1 Fee

**Where:** Timothy Lutheran Church Gym, corner of Fyler and Ivanhoe

For more information: Contact Janet Desnoyer, Event Chairperson at [janet@lindenwoodpark.org](mailto:janet@lindenwoodpark.org) Spread the word!