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

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The 22 Club

The 22 Club will resume meeting this Tuesday, April 7th, beginning at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall. This first meeting of the Spring will be a celebration of Easter.

Flocknotes

Flocknotes is a way in which our parish uses electronic media to keep in touch with parishioners. It is easy for you to sign up. On your smart phone send a text message to **84576** and follow the instructions on how to subscribe. You can also visit our parish at www.flocknote.com/epiphanyny. We use this platform to communicate information about special events or in case of any type of emergency. We have over 1,000 members already. If you are not a member, please consider becoming part of our *Flocknote* family.

Family Rosary

The members of our Respect Life Committee invite you to join with them in praying the Rosary on Monday, April 6th following the 8:00 am Mass. The intention is for the sanctity of marriage and family life, especially for the families of Epiphany.

Save the Date

The Glee Club of the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick will perform their annual concert at Epiphany on 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.

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 . A PHP volunteer will then be in touch with you.

Announced Mass Intentions

Monday, April 6, 2015

8:00 am Joseph Walsh (Anniv.)

12.10 pm Easter Novena

Tuesday, April 7, 2015

8:00 am Erlinda B. Sabino (Living)

12:10 pm John K. Stout, Jr.

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

8:00 am Kenneth J. Paturas

12:10 pm Mike and Michele Haynes

(Living)

Thursday, April 9, 2015

8:00 am Easter Novena

12:10 pm Special Intention for Saint

Anthony

Friday, April 10, 2015

8:00 am Celso Diomampo

12:10 pm Jim Suddaby

Saturday, April 11, 2015

8:00 am Joaquin Guy, Sr.

May the Souls of the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace.

Stewardship

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

The collection for Palm Sunday will be published next week.

We encourage parishioners to make their Sunday contribution through *ParishPay* which is available on www.epiphanychurchnyc.org

Seven Words That Best Explain the "Pope Francis Approach"

Mercy: God's mercy is available to all who repent of their sins, and God never tires of us asking for mercy. This is a universal theme in everything the Holy Father says and writes. He has been called the Pope of Mercy.

Tenderness is central to his style, the ingredient that softens his gestures. He wants to make the world a more humane place by being tender.

Going: Pope Francis' letter *The Joy of the Gospel* is his manifesto. It is a personal invitation for all Catholics to leave their comfort zones and boldly spread the message of the Gospel.

Throwaway: Pope Francis often denounces the cruelty of a throwaway society that discards the most vulnerable, especially children, the poor, the sick, and the elderly.

Peripheries: The Church's geopolitical strategy has changed under this pope. His first trip was to the island of Lampedusa where many migrants to Europe arrive. The first country he visited was Albania. He has appointed cardinals from countries that never had a cardinal before. In order to understand reality, says Francis, one must go to the edges of the cities where the poor live and to the peripheries of the world.

Tears: Pope Francis believes that tears are the only valid response to the pain of others. It's his way of denouncing globalized indifference.

Joy: The Pope proposes a new lifestyle, rooted in simplicity and everyday kindness. It has created a stream of joy all around him. Joy pervades Pope Francis' life; it's apparent in every appearance he makes.

Easter Sunday, 2015

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This is the day the Lord has made! Let us be glad and rejoice in it!

Today is Easter. We bask in the light of the Lord Jesus who is truly risen from the dead. The light of Christ shines into every recess of darkness that exists with the power to transform that darkness into something brilliant and beautiful— if only we allow Jesus into our lives and our hearts so that we can be changed. Today he stands at the door and knocks. Why would you not want to let him in?

Today is Easter. We renew our baptismal promises and profess our faith in Christ and the Church. As we are blessed with the Easter water we remember our own baptism which is the promise of our own resurrection as we die to death and sin so we can live more fully for Jesus.

Today is Easter. It is a time for families to worship together and be together, celebrating our common faith which binds us not only as a biological family but also as God's family, sharing not only at the Lord's table, but also at the family table where our bonds of love and friendship are strengthened and renewed.

Today is Easter. We welcome those who are not necessarily with us every Sunday but we thank God that they are here today, the most important Sunday of the year. We hope and pray that if they are looking for a spiritual home, they might consider becoming part of the Epiphany family.

Today is Easter, and on this most holy of days I, along with my brother priests and the members of our pastoral staff, thank God for you and for all that you do for Epiphany, helping make it a place where God is indeed alive and well, continuing to invite us to a deeper relationship with him as well as reaching out in love to our brothers and sisters who are still seeking him, for this is what Epiphany is ultimately all about.

May the joy of this Easter be with you always, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sincerely in Christ,

Msgr. Leslie J. Ivers

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