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.

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Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday after the 8:00 am and 12:10 pm Masses.

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Pentecost Sunday

Next Sunday, May 17th, is Pentecost Sunday which brings our celebration of the Easter Season to a close. It is on that first Pentecost, 50 days after Easter, that Jesus, in fulfillment of his promise, gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit. *To make our celebration a festive one, we are asking everyone to wear something RED to church next weekend.*

22 Club

The 22 Club will **not** meet this Tuesday, May 19th, because most of the members are going on an outing to Spring Lake, NJ. The next meeting of the 22 Club will be Tuesday, May 26th.

Brownie Fundraiser

Epiphany Brownie Troop 3318 will be holding a fundraiser on Sunday, May 31st. They will be selling custom printed Tea Towels on the church plaza before and after the 10:00 am and 12:00 pm Masses to rise money for Child Fund International. This organization helps children around the world living in poverty, providing them with education, health care, clean water, adequate nutrition and other basic needs. Working in 30 countries, they reach 18 million children and their families. They are currently working with survivors of the earthquakes in Nepal. Visit childfund.org to learn more about them.

Street Fair

The Epiphany School will hold its annual Street Fair on Sunday, May 31st from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm on 22nd Street between Second and Third Avenues. There will be inflatable rides, games, food, prizes, and many other fun activities. It is a perfect family outing. Please plan on joining us.

Relics of Saint Anthony

The Franciscan Friars invite you to join them in welcoming the relic of Saint Anthony of Padua from his Basilica in Padua, Italy on the occasion of his Feast Day, June 13th. The relic will be at Our Lady of Victory Church at 60 William Street on Thursday, June 11th and at the Church of St,. Francis of Assisi on Saturday, June 13th. For further information contact the Anthonian Association at 347-738-4306.

First Holy Communion

Over these past two Saturdays, the children in our parish school and religious education program received their First Holy Communion. It was a beautiful day for our parish. We congratulate these boys and girls and pray that they will never forget the joy of their First Communion today. We are grateful to their parents, godparents, and family members who have shared their faith with these children since they were born; their teachers and catechists at Epiphany; the priests of our parish; and to Mrs. Carmen DeSimone, our Director of Religious Education, who oversees the sacramental preparation of our children.

Announced Mass Intentions

Monday, May 18, 2015

8:00 am Leonardo Guerra and

Maria Mangaoang

12.10 pm Violeta E. Bernaldez

(Living)

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena 12:10 pm The Stipanich Family

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

8:00 am Dorothy R. Walsh

12:10 pm Rose O'Leary

Thursday, May 21, 2015

8:00 am Leonardo Guerra and

Maria Mangaoang

12:10 pm Mother's Day Novena

Friday, May 22, 2015

8:00 am Dr. Dolores Danilowicz

12:10 pm Jack Warmbrand

Saturday, May 23, 2015

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena

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Cardinal's Annual Appeal

Our current totals as this bulletin goes to press: 222 families and individuals have contributed \$120,985 (of which \$96,740 has been paid) which is 90% of our parish goal of \$134,000. We have \$13,015 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 10% 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 to 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 wonderful tradition alive.

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/epiphanynyc. 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.

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Ten Tips for Getting More Out of Mass (continued)

4. Get Wet

Dipping your fingers into the holy water font when you enter and leave church can become just a habit, a routine that we perform automatically without giving it any thought. Make this profound gesture intentional. As you reach toward the font, thank God for the gift of your baptism, by which you became God's son or daughter and entered the life of faith. As you trace the Sign of the Cross on your body, contemplate how on the Cross Jesus suffered and died so that your sins can be forgiven. Consider how important it is to be filled with God's grace through the sacraments.

5. Sit Up

That is, sit up closer to the front. Why is it that people want front row seats at ballgames and concerts but prefer sitting in the back row at Mass? The closer you are to the sanctuary, the better view you will have to witness heaven visit earth through the power of the Holy Spirit. While you are at it, do not just closer to the front, but change seats frequently. Many Catholics seem to gravitate toward the same seats or same part of the church. Changing seats gives you a different perspective and may help you get to know other parishioners in your faith community.

6. Strike a Chord With God

While many Catholics may open the hymnal at Mass, too many take the word "refrain" literally - as in, they refrain from singing! If God gave you a beautiful voice, then praise him with it. If God gave you a terrible voice, sing anyway. Remember that singing at Mass lifts your voice, mind, and heart to your heavenly Father. St. Augustine said that when we sing, we pray twice. "Set the tone" for others by your example. The Mass, of course, is more than music, and many parishes could probably do a better job in this area. You may very well be able to help improve it by participating. If you sing well or play an instrument, consider joining the choir or the music ministry.

7. Get a Heart Transplant

Are you really placing your heart on the altar along with the gifts of bread and wine? Are you giving God permission to having his way with your life, entrusting him with your entire life now and your future? Do you pray like Christ on his knees in the Garden of Gethsemane, asking that the Father's will be done, or are you on of the disciples who falls asleep? At Mass, Jesus is offering you redemption, a time to exchange your tired, sin-tattered heart for his Sacred Heart. Take him up on his offer. Give God permission to transform your heart along with the gifts of bread and wine upon the altar through the power and work of the Holy Spirit.

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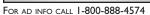
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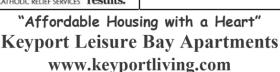
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