#### 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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## **Church of the Epiphany**

#### **Second Collection**

The annual collection for the Church in Latin America and for the Home Missions will be taken up at all the Masses next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Annual Mission Appeal**

Each year the Society for the Propagation of the Faith asks us to host a missionary priest who makes an appeal for the work of his home diocese or religious community. This year we welcome Father Edwin Nwabugwu from the diocese of Nnewi in Nigeria. Father will be with us the weekend of August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> to speak at all the Masses. A special collection will be taken up to support his ministry back home.

#### **First Saturday Rosary**

The Ladies of Charity of the parish invite you to join them in praying the rosary on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 pm. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during this time.

#### Cardinal's Dolan's Statement on the Papal Visit

"It is with great joy and gratitude that I announce a pastoral visit to our archdiocese by His Holiness, Pope Francis. The Holy Father will arrive in New York on Thursday evening, September 24, and will depart early Saturday morning, September 26, for the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia.

The Holy Father will celebrate Mass at Madison Square Garden on Friday evening, September 25. Presently, the Mass is scheduled for 6:30 pm.

Over the course of the next month the details of the Holy Father's visit will be finalized. Regular communications will then be released on the Mass, other events, motorcades, etc.

Regarding tickets to the Mass, please keep in mind that the visit is brief - one day - and that Madison Square Garden holds about half of Yankee Stadium, used for previous papal visits. Parishes will receive tickets based on a formula using Mass attendance to ensure that all parishes are treated equally. There will, however, be a minimum number of tickets for every parish so that smaller parishes are not at a disadvantage.

Again, you can expect to receive additional and more specific communications as we move into August."

## Papal Visit Updates

Do you wish to receive information about the latest updates on the visit of Pope Francis to New York? The Archdiocese has created a website to provide this information - www.popefrancisnyc.org. You can also receive email updates by visiting www.archny.org and subscribe to the papal visit mailing list.

## **Summer Office Hours**

During the month of July, the Parish Office will close on Fridays at 4:00 pm instead of 5:00 pm. During the month of August and until after Labor Day, the Parish Office will close every day, Monday - Friday, at 4:00 pm. The office is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

#### **Announced Mass Intentions**

Monday, July 27, 2015

8:00 am Florence & Walter Lissmann

12.10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh

Tuesday, July 28, 2015

8:00 am Patrick Molloy

12:10 pm Eduardo O. delRosario

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

St. Martha

8:00 am Agapita & Benito GoBio

12:10 pm Leticia Asuzano

Thursday, July 30, 2015

8:00 am Marisa Bartolome

12:10 pm Darrelle Gaffney (living)

& Alan Gaffney (living)

Friday, July 31, 2015

St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest

8:00 am Jerry Dwyer 12:10 pm Helen Levack

Saturday, August 1, 2015
St. Alphonsus Liguouri,
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8:00 am Maria Garcia

May the Souls of the Faithful Departed Through the Mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen.

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## <u>Summer Months - Please Don't Forget</u> Your Parish

As we all enjoy the summer weather and summer vacations, we ask that you please not forget your parish which depends on your regular, weekly offertory gifts to sustain us through the summer months. Bills, employee salaries, and sometimes unexpected expenses must be paid, even when the congregation and the Sunday collection shrinks over the summer. This is one of the reasons we encourage parishioners to contribute through ParishPay, a method of online giving. You can have your contribution deducted from a checking account or charged to a credit card on a weekly, monthly, or semiannual basis at no cost to you, and your contribution is deposited directly into the parish bank account. For additional information or to set up your account with ParishPay, visit epiphanychurch.nyc, our website, and click on ParishPay. Thank you for your ongoing generous support of our parish.

## **RCIA Interviews Have Begun**

We are beginning to schedule interviews with those 18 years of age and older who have an interest in participating in the upcoming RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) that will begin in the fall. If you or someone you know in the parish would like to receive more information on how to become a member of the Catholic Church. or if you are already baptized but have not yet received your First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, please call the Parish Office at 212-475-1966 or email epiphanychurch239@gmail.com with your contact information. A member of the parish staff will get back to you.

## Dear Members of Epiphany Parish,

Today is the last time I write to you as pastor of our beloved parish. It is a sad moment for me because in my time as pastor I have come to love this parish and its people. My years at Epiphany have been very rewarding and I leave with many happy memories that will always remain with me.

It has been an honor and a privilege to be your pastor. You welcomed me and made me feel very much a part of this wonderful faith community. You have shared your lives with me, your joys and sorrows, good times and difficult ones., and you have allowed me to share my life and my priesthood with you. I have learned a great deal from you about how to care for God's people, and I hope and pray that in some way my ministry has helped you grow in your love for the Lord and for our parish family.

Although I had hoped to remain with you for another six years, I am excited about the possibilities of the new ministry entrusted to be by Cardinal Dolan, that of being Director of Ongoing Formation for Priests. In this capacity I will have an opportunity to use all that I have learned and experienced in my 36 years as a priest to help my brother priests, and especially pastors, make sure they continue to acquire and practice the skills that are needed to shepherd those given to their care.

As I take leave of Epiphany I wish to thank all of you for your prayers, kindness, and support. I express my gratitude to the wonderful priests and members of the pastoral staff I had the opportunity to work with in the parish and the school. But most of all I am grateful for each and every one of you who are the reason why Epiphany is all that it is and will continue to be.

Please welcome your new pastor, Father Austin Titus, as warmly as you welcomed me. It will not take him long to realize how blessed he is becoming the twelfth pastor of Epiphany.

In closing I am reminded of something that Terence Cardinal Cooke said toward the end of his life - prayer is the best gift that friends can give to one another. Let us continue to keep one another in prayer, especially at the Lord's table. May the Lord Jesus continue to keep you in his loving care and give you peace.

Sincerely in Christ, Rev. Msgr. Leslie J. Ivers

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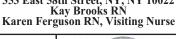
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