

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 one year 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

Parish House (Rectory):

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The Parish Office is closed on
Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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September 20, 2015
Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year

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Church of the Epiphany

WELCOME!

Welcome to all new parishioners and visitors
at Epiphany parish.

We are happy that you are here with us
in the presence of God.



Remember to send your photos to the rectory
or e-mail a photo to epiphanytitus@gmail.com.
It helps Fr. Austin in a big way!

Announced Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 20, 2015

8:00 am For the intentions of our parishioners
10:00 am Lorraine Pino Hurley
12:00 pm Joseph Galvin
7:30 pm Loreto Xuereb



MATTHEW, EVANG.
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Monday, September 21, 2015

St. Matthew,

Apostle & Evangelist

8:00 am Agnes Schulz
12:10 pm Loretta & Frank Kunkel

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

8:00 am Maureen Nihill (living)
12:10 pm Dr. Dolores Danilowicz

Wednesday, September 23, 2015

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

8:00 am James Boshell (living)
12:10 pm R. S. Bart

Thursday, September 24, 2015

8:00 am Patricia Duffy & family (living)
12:10 pm John & Adele Ivers

Friday, September 25, 2015

8:00 am Eamon Duffy
12:10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh

Saturday, September 26, 2015

Saints Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs; BVM

8:00 am Raymond M. Hicks III
4:00 pm (vigil) Isabelle Mugavero

Sunday, September 27, 2015

8:00 am For the intentions of our parishioners
10:00 am Robert J. Crimmins
12:00 pm Lorraine Pino Hurley
7:30 pm Christine Powers & Cathy Pollini

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

REMEMBRANCE & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

A wonderful way to remember our loved ones who have
passed on and to pray for special intentions,
while giving back to God

Mass Intentions

(Saturdays & Sundays through Nov 22 are now available)

Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 /week)

Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

which burns to indicate Christ's presence

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.



Sundays Masses from today through Nov 22
are now available to be reserved for loved ones,
living and deceased, and for special intentions.

Our 8 AM Sunday Mass will be celebrated
for the intentions of our parishioners.

The 4 pm, 10 am, 12 pm & 7:30 pm Masses
are available for reservation.

Prayer Petitions

A list of petitions for loved ones and friends,
living and deceased, will be displayed
in the Saints Alcove each week.

Please call the rectory by Friday at 3 PM
with additions or updates to our list.

Eucharistic Minister & Lector Schedules

Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors are
available in the usher's room.

They are also available on our parish website under the
"MINISTRY" tab.

Special Thanks to José Ramos and family!

Their generous contribution enabled us
to make repairs to our church plaza.

The safety and comfort of our parishioners and the
beauty of our plaza have been greatly enhanced by the
abundant generosity of the Ramos family.

Stewardship

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

We encourage parishioners to make their
Sunday contribution through *ParishPay* which is
available on our parish website
www.epiphanychurch.nyc

Installation Mass & Reception for Our New Pastor

Fr. Austin Titus will celebrate his installation as the new pastor of the Church of the Epiphany on Sunday, October 11, at the 12:00 PM Mass.

A reception will follow in Msgr Farricker Hall.
Light refreshment will be provided.

Next week, Sep 26-27, RSVP slips will be available at the back of the church.

Please fill out your name and the number of people attending the reception so that we can plan for a wonderful gathering to welcome our new pastor.

Francis, Our Pope

A Journey of Faith through the Heart of New York

Pope Francis will be here very soon and we are excited to welcome him to New York.

Please visit the website: www.popefrancisnyc.org for information on purchasing commemorative items and other exciting news about his visit.

Pope Francis at Madison Square Garden

Congratulations to our lucky parishioners whose raffles were drawn last weekend. We wish all our winners a joyful, blessed day at Madison Square Garden.

Say a special prayer for Epiphany and all your fellow parishioners as Pope Francis celebrates Mass.

The Little Sisters of the Poor

will visit our parish for a special collection for their Home for the Aged Poor in the Bronx on
Saturday & Sunday, September 26 - 27

The Little Sisters welcome the needy aged into their homes where they find security, friendship and the assurance of loving care.

Please be as generous as your means allow.

Respect Life Sunday - October 4

Join the Sisters of Life for our 3rd Annual Life Chain
Stand Together *Join Hands * Pray for Life
on Epiphany Plaza after the 12 PM Mass



Help Mothers who Choose Life

During October, on behalf of Pregnancy Help, Inc., we will collect winter baby & toddler clothes & diapers. Gently used snowsuits, coats, scarves & hats for ages 2-4 (for newborns, snowsuits must be new)
Watch our bulletin and website for updates.

Help Wanted for Sainthood Inquiry Transcriber with Experience

The Dorothy Day Guild is looking for someone with experience doing simultaneous or recorded transcription to transcribe eyewitness testimony at the Archdiocesan Inquiry on the life of Dorothy Day. Interviews will be 4-5 hours long and conducted over the next year at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 1011 First Avenue.

For additional information, please contact
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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

(In order to understand God's love, we need to understand what He says)

James 3:16 - 4:3

Where do the conflicts among you come from?

Our minds have the capacity to do amazing things. They can imagine, memorize, reason and choose. We use them to solve complex problems, to imagine new possibilities, and to enjoy the beauty of a sunrise. What an awesome gift!

But Scripture tells us that, because of sin, our minds also have a dark side. And sometimes, that dark side causes us to say and do hurtful things. Today's first reading, for instance, talks about a war in our minds between darker elements like jealousy or selfish ambition and lighter elements like purity and mercy.

Today's Gospel has a similar theme. It tells how the apostles were fighting about which one of them was the greatest. You can just hear Peter saying, "Jesus told me I was the rock," while John replies, "But Jesus called me the beloved apostle," and Andrew says, "Don't forget, I was the first apostle. I've been with him the longest." It can sound a bit silly, but we, too, do this kind of thing, and this is the kind of thing James is talking about.

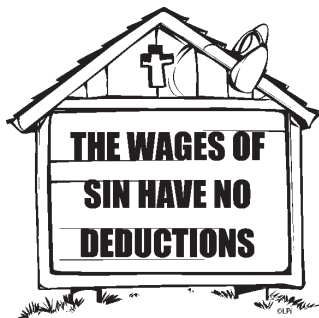
The problem, James tells us, is that we have a tendency to let our minds roam wherever they want to go. If we don't keep a watch on them, they can wander into the darker areas of our hearts and begin conjuring all kinds of self-centered thoughts.

So here is a little plan to help you keep watch on your mind.

Step One is to fill it with thoughts about the Lord every morning and at regular points throughout the day.

Step Two is...well, there *is* no Step Two. Jesus is all we need!

Filling your mind with Jesus -- through the sacraments, prayer, hymns, or Scripture -- will dramatically affect the way you think and act. So be disciplined. Spend at least fifteen minutes exclusively with the Lord every morning. Then stop periodically during the day to turn back to the Lord. You will see those dark-side drives to sin melt away.



"Jesus, help me to say no to every temptation to sin."

Mark 9:30-37

What were you arguing about on the way?

In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals he will suffer, die and rise; the disciples do not understand and are unwilling to ask Jesus questions.

This is not a new role for disciples. Throughout Mark, they are the knuckleheads who just don't get it. The pattern is set early and often. Even in the face of the miracle feeding of the five thousand, the disciples don't get it. Jesus rebukes their lack of understanding several times, and perhaps most poignantly, to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan, for you think human thoughts, not the thoughts of God" which could be read as "Boy, you *really* don't get it!" Even though they make up Jesus' most private inner circle, the disciples seem to be the last to know that Jesus is Messiah, even denying this knowledge at the end.

In today's gospel, Jesus imparts a crucial teaching, telling them *who he is*, and not for the first time. The prospect of the Messiah being taken and killed just does not compute. When God comes in glory, it is surely to conquer his enemies, not to "be handed over into the hands of men" who will kill him. So, "they did not understand what he was saying and they were afraid to ask him."

It's not just that they don't understand some piece of information. It's that they don't understand this specific teaching, at the very heart of the Incarnation. How is it possible for the Son of God to suffer and die? And why should it happen?

The good news is that Jesus welcomes us even when we do not understand or do not know. The Gospel reading closes with Jesus embracing a child, the ultimate symbol of not knowing, not understanding, immature and undeveloped.



We need not fear our questions, our confusion or our curiosity in the presence of God whose "perfect love casts out all fear."

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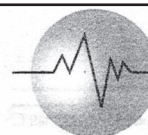
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