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.

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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

Saturday, October 10, 2015

4:00 pm (vigil) Charles Marin

Sunday, October 11, 2015

For the intentions of our parishioners 8:00 am

10.00 am Anne Zacharia (living) 12:00 pm Lorraine Pino Hurley

7:30 pm John Holland

Monday, Octoer 12, 2015

8:00 am Lolita B. Compas (living)

12.10 pm Edward Moreno (1st anniversary)

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

8:00 am Frank McLaughlin (living)

12:10 pm Samuel Martin Wednesday, October 14, 2015 8:00 am Gregorio Guerra

12:10 pm Edward & Geraldine Rafferty

Thursday, October 15, 2015

St. Teresa of Jesus.

Virgin & Doctor of the Church 8:00 am Martin O'Dea 12:10 pm George Vella

Friday, October 16, 2015

8:00 am Mary T. Walsh 12:10 pm Frances C. Cenni

Saturday, October 17, 2015

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 am Apolonia Diomampo 4:00 pm (vigil) Mr. & Mrs H. McCarthy

Sunday, October 18, 2015

For the intentions of our parishioners 8:00 am

10.00 am Vincent Salvo 12:00 pm Sylvia Maginnis 7:30 pm Rev. Patrick J. Carroll

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

All Souls Mass Remembrance Envelopes

Please use the envelopes to indicate the names of your deceased loved ones. Your envelopes will remain on the altar throughout the month of November

as we pray for our beloved friends and family members.

> Please return your envelopes for All Souls Day by Monday, November 2

October 11, 2015

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.



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

Requests Please call the rectory by

Friday at 2 PM with additions or updates

to our list.



Remembrance

Our Sanctuary lamp during the month of October will burn in remembrance of deceased members of the Tabije and Ramos families and for the sick, the dying and the needy.



Next week, our second collection will be for the Church's Missions around the world.

Your prayers and generous support on World Mission Sunday will directly benefit the Mission Church today.

Your contribution supports clinics caring for the sick and dying, orphanages providing a place of safety and shelter, schools offering education from kindergarten through high school. Your help provides for seminarians preparing for the priesthood, and religious Sisters & Brothers in formation programs. All of this takes place in 1150 mission dioceses in Africa & Asia, where the poorest of the poor receive an education and health care, while experiencing the loving heart of our Lord through the service of priests, religious and lay faithful.

Please be generous in the World Mission Sunday collection and participate in God's mission as it was lived by Jesus.

Stewardship

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

For the year ending August 31, our average weekly collection amounted to \$11,561, which is less than our average weekly expenses. We appreciate your generosity.

The Finance Committee will soon publish our Annual Financial Report in detail.

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 be officially installed as the new pastor of the Church of the Epiphany at today's 12:00 PM Mass.

After the Mass, please gather in Msgr Farricker Hall to welcome our new pastor.

If You Have Celiac Disease

You are welcome to receive the Precious Blood of Christ during Mass at Epiphany.



We understand that you are unable to receive the communion host. In lieu of the host, our celebrants will now offer the cup to you at Communion.

Before Mass, please coordinate with the priest in the sacristy (to the right of the tabernacle).

Cabrini Immigrant Services

Weekends of Oct 25 & Nov 1

Cabrini's Annual Coat Drive is an opportunity for us to follow the teachings of Christ by providing warm coats & jackets for

immigrant families. Please bring your new or gently used jackets & coats for men, women & children of all ages to Epiphany Church on the weekends of Oct 25 and Nov 1. The sisters are always grateful for your generosity.



Help Mothers who Choose Life

This weekend, on behalf of Pregnancy Help, Inc., we continue collecting of winter baby & toddler clothes & diapers, gently used snowsuits, coats, scarves & hats for ages 2-4

(for newborns, snowsuits must be new) It would be a great help if the articles could be brought in bags.



Epiphany Music Program

presents

OCTAVA ensemble October 18 at 6:30 PM

Octava Ensemble, one of the most interesting vocal groups of today, will perform a wide-ranging program of a cappella music in a variety of languages and genres.

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A PLEA FOR ALTAR SERVERS

We cherish our youth and hope that they will start at a very young age to serve others. Service is the heart of the gospel. Serving at the altar is a great way for our youth to serve God and His Church. (Sports are important too - but not nearly as important.)

Please encourage your children, grandchildren and all boys & girls in grade 5 and above to become altar servers. We also need an adult moderator. If you or a child you know can help in any way, please see Fr Austin or call 212-475-1966.

6th Annual Epiphany School Walk and Fall Festival

October 18 - after 10:00 Family Mass

2.5 miles along the East River Promenade concluding at the 22nd St school at Epiphany's Fall Festival Please visit the website to register and to obtain further information.

www.epiphanywalkthewalk.org
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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

Wisdom 7:7-11

"The splendor of [Wisdom] never yields to sleep."

The book of Wisdom is a gathering of proverbs and reflections attributed to Solomon, son of David. Israelites believed that Solomon was the wisest man who ever lived; his wisdom came directly from God.

In today's reading, Solomon prayed for prudence and wisdom after reflecting on the common origin of all people. As a God-given gift, wisdom transcended any material treasure or physical attribute because ancient people saw wisdom as eternal. Solomon pursued Wisdom as a personal lover. To be wise required intimacy with the source of wisdom. Over time, the personification of Wisdom made the belief in the Spirit as a person of the Trinity more understandable.

In the Book of Wisdom, the possession of wisdom is equated with a healthy relationship with God. The pursuit of wisdom, just as for Solomon, requires prayer and will bring us closer to God in our lives.

Hebrews 4:12-13

"No creature is concealed from Him."

When we look at God, we see an active, dynamic deity. These few verses from Hebrews portrayed God's activity in terms of salvation and judgement. His "Word", another name for God himself, cut to the heart of the matter. No matter what the person did or said, God knew his or her real intent. And God would judge accordingly. The intention in our actions is laid bare by God's knowledge of us as his creation.

The analogy of the sword leads to the image of Christ as High Priest and Victim. Since the believer is tied to Christ crucified in Baptism, the believer joined Christ as the victim. The Word of God was ready to strike. The coming judgement/salvation was the ultimate sacrifice to the Father. That sacrifice began on the cross and continues today.

Disciples can't stay in the baby state; they are born anew "to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ". Such growing up must include suffering for Jesus Christ now, in this life, to prepare for the Kingdom of Glory to come.





Mark 10:17-30

"All things are possible for God."

In Mark's gospel, the rich man craved more than what he had. But he did not seek to satisfy that craving with the accumulation of more wealth and power. Indeed, he tried to live a moral life.

Each human being has that same craving. Within each of us lies a desire for that which transcends time and space, that which will satisfy for a lifetime and beyond. God created us with that craving so we would seek Him out. For only in Him will we find true happiness.

As we find God, we discover we are utterly dependent upon Him. That finding can be too much for us to bear. We may want control, power, influence. We can become indifferent to our Creator. We allow our secular pursuits to eclipse our spiritual duty. We become unmindful of the reason that God created us. And yet, the inner yearning for God remains. In our deepest selves, we know God is waiting for us to return to Him.



Not only is the search for God universal, its answer can only be found in a relationship with God. When we finally realize that we cannot be happy alone, we will seek our happiness in God. Only when we surrender the notion that our earthbound riches, personality, or power can give us the happiness we seek...only then will we be ready to receive the Kingdom, the very presence of God Himself.

Let us remember the words of Jesus: "For God, nothing is impossible."

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