

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):

239 East 21st Street, New York, NY 10010-6463
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
and 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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

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November 1, 2015
Thirty-first Sunday of the Year

Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible

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 31, 2015

4:00 pm (vigil) Rose & Daniel Harnett & Family (living)

Sunday, November 1, 2015

All Saints Day

8:00 am Our parishioners
10:00 am The Dynes Family
12:00 pm Javier Gomez (living)
7:30 pm Rev. Patrick J. Carroll



Monday, November 2, 2015

All Souls Day

8:00 am All Souls Novena
12:10 pm All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

8:00 am James Capuano (1st Anniversary)
12:10 pm Eleanor Adams

Wednesday, November 4, 2015

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:00 am Thomas P. Brown & the Brown Family
12:10 pm Go Su Giok & Teresita Go

Thursday, November 5, 2015

8:00 am Anthony Ngo-Yung Shen
12:10 pm James Capuano

Friday, November 6, 2015

8:00 am William Haray
12:10 pm Gertrude M.S. Walsh

Saturday, November 7, 2015

8:00 am All Souls Novena
4:00 pm (vigil) Patrick Loughran

Sunday, November 8, 2015

8:00 am Our parishioners
10:00 am Ann McPhail & family (living)
12:00 pm Lorraine Pino Hurley
7:30 pm Rev. Patrick J. Carroll

*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

Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 /week)

Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

**Advent Wreath for entire Advent Season
(\$100 for 1 candle // \$400 for all 4 candles)**

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.

Advent is coming!



The Advent wreath candles will burn on the altar through the season. If you would like to memorialize one or all four of the candles, please call the rectory. We suggest a donation of \$100 per candle.



**Prayer
Requests**

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

Please call the rectory by
Friday at 2 PM with additions or updates.

Remembrance



Our Sanctuary lamp during the month of November will burn in remembrance of departed members of the Tabije and Ramos families, all the souls in purgatory, and for the sick, the dying & the needy

Parish Support

ANNUAL PASTOR'S APPEAL

The Annual Pastor's Appeal is crucial to the financial health of the parish.

Appeal envelopes can be found in the church vestibule.

Please place envelopes in the collection basket.

Please be as generous as your means allow.

Many thanks to all who have already donated.

God will reward you abundantly.

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

✠ **STEWARDSHIP** ✉
Count your blessings, acknowledge
God's gifts to you and express
thanks to Him in praise.

Our average weekly collection is \$12,742, which is less than our average weekly expenses of \$20,482.

We appreciate your generosity.

The Finance Committee has published our Annual Financial Report which is available in the church vestibule.

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



Epiphany School's Third Annual Hall of Fame Induction & Cocktail Reception

Saturday, Nov 7th - 6:00 - 9:00 PM

at

The Yale Club

50 Vanderbilt Avenue (at 44th St)

We are privileged to add to
the Hall of Fame's distinguished roster

Michael J. Tierney '65

Founding Board Member of the
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Mary Jane Maher Higgins '80

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Philip J. McManus, ESQ

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Tickets & journal ads can be purchased online at
www.epiphanyschoolfoundation.org/hof/

Please RSVP by November 2

Lectors

Lectors will meet on

Tuesday, November 17, at 7:30 PM in the church.

New procedures will be introduced.

Please make every effort to attend.

Reminder: please pick up your 2016 workbooks in the sacristy.

Eucharistic Ministers

Eucharistic Ministers will meet on

Tuesday, November 24, at 7:30 PM in the church.

New procedures will be introduced.

Please make every effort to attend.

New schedules are available in the ushers' room &
on the parish website.



The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** or **Catechumenate** is the process by which people can question, search and inquire into our Catholic faith. It is a journey which leads many to seek full membership in our Church. For others, this journey may not lead to full membership. Either way, all are welcome to come and see, to ask questions, and to look more deeply.

A Catechumenate is for any unbaptized adult who is new to the Catholic faith or any unbaptized child usually over the age of 7, or any adult or child over the age of 7 who was baptized in another Christian tradition, as well as baptized Catholic adults seeking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The process begins in September and ends at the Easter vigil Mass.

RCIA is offered at nearby Immaculate Conception parish at 414 East 14th Street.

Contact: Fr. Flanagan
Phone: 212-254-0200
e-mail: iccboss@aol.com

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. If you or a child you know can help in any way, please see Fr Austin or call 212-475-1966.

Thank You!

TO

Mark Baker and his Thompson Reuters team

Many thanks to Mark Baker and his five workmates from Thompson Reuters who generously worked pro bono to weed and clean our 911 Memorial Garden.
Thank you for making it beautiful again!

FROM

Sisters of the Good Shepherd Handcrafting Justice



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The Sisters of the Good Shepherd send their sincere thanks to the good people of Epiphany Parish for your generous support of their mission. Your purchases (\$4,270) & donations (\$622) will enable the Sisters to continue their work in Asia, Africa & Latin America. The Sisters know from their visits how this support makes a great difference in the lives of women and their families. Learn more and continue to support their mission at www.handcraftingjustice.org.

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.

The sisters are always grateful for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, **December 19** - 8:00 AM - 4:45 PM

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Reflections in the Spirit of Anthony Demello, S.J.

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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

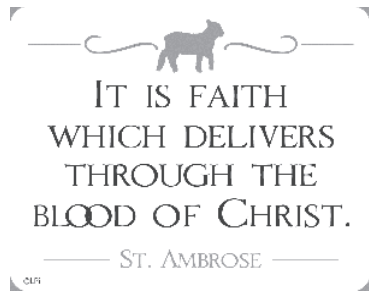
(In order to understand God's love, we need to understand what He says)

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

"...they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb"

What is heaven like? To early Christians, heaven was eternal worship in the presence of God. Today's reading from Revelation describes the gathering of the saved before the throne of God.

The white robes were baptismal garments symbolizing a life born again in purity. Washing the robes in the blood of the Lamb showed the intimate connection between baptism and Eucharist. The life blood of the Lamb that was given to the saved washed them clean.

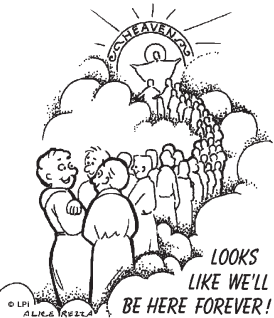


The saved suffered through "great distress." They stand out for their perseverance in times of public or personal tragedy. Holiness is meant to be tested and proven in life. Holy people are as much survivors as they are believers. The mark of a saint is not necessarily the quality of their certainty, but of their faithfulness. The faith of the saints is not to be found simply in adherence to doctrine, but making that doctrine come alive through their life's commitment.

1 John 3:1-3

"Beloved, we are God's children now..."

In today's reading, John tells us we are children of God because we know Him. Our faith in God changes our outlook; we see ourselves and the world in a different light. We realize we have a relationship with the Creator of the universe that is not distant. God loves us, as a father loves his children.



God waits for our return to Him at the end of time, not because *He* will be completed by *us*, but because we will be completed by being in His presence. His love makes us pure as He is pure and we will be worthy to join God in heaven.

Matthew 5:1-12a

"Blessed are you...Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in heaven."

Matthew highlighted the beatitudes of Jesus as the way to live a highly structured life. The beatitudes pointed to awareness of spiritual need, humility, peaceful living, moral living, and compassion as the keys to happiness. But most of all, Matthew's beatitudes saw Christian witness as the centerpiece of a happy life. In our busy, high-stressed lifestyles, Matthew's beatitudes can be our means to a happy, blessed life.

Saints are those who live out the Beatitudes. They are happy even when living the Christian lifestyle is inconvenient. Saints are ordinary people who do extraordinary things even in the face of criticism and persecution. They belong to Christ. The power of the Spirit flows through them, even in subtle ways. They are the poor in spirit, the peacemaker, the pure in heart, the ones who thirst for the right way to God. They are the faithful.

A well-regarded San Diego priest passed away a few years ago. When he was diagnosed with cancer, he reflected on his upcoming death. He had only one request. On his headstone, he wanted the following epitaph: At Least I Tried.

When we strive to live the Beatitudes, we live as saints. Sainthood is a life-long process, not a vague reward in heaven. It is a life of accepting God's gifts and acting on them, even in imperfect ways. Sainthood is *trying* in this world to *succeed* in heaven.



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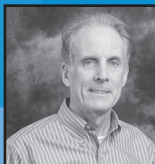
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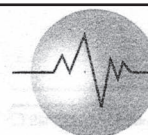
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