

NEW! Church Hours:*Monday through Friday:*

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday:

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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
(between Second and Third Avenues)Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
and 2:00 pm - 5:00 pmThe Parish Office is closed on
Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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November 8, 2015
Thirty-second 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.

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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, November 7, 2015

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

Monday, November 9 2015

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 am Josephine Gursky
12:10 pm Mila Jomilla & Gonzalo Cepe

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

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

Wednesday, November 11, 2015

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:00 am Eric Haray
12:10 pm Joseph Russell Cenni

Thursday, November 12, 2015

St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 am Sonia Yvette Mason
12:10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh

Friday, November 13, 2015

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

8:00 am Regina A. Verlin (34th Anniversary)
12:10 pm Joseph Walsh

Saturday, November 14, 2015

8:00 am All Souls Novena
4:00 pm (vigil) Joseph Mastrogiovanni (living)

Sunday, November 15, 2015

8:00 am Our parishioners
10:00 am Hugh & Agnes Dynes (living)
12:00 pm Solon & Mercedes Stamatelaky
7:30 pm Rev. Patrick J. Carroll

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

**Unfortunately, as a security precaution, we must
curtail the hours our church is open to the public**

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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 per candle (There is only one candle left.)**

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.

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

From the Cardinal

Cardinal Dolan has asked all parishes to consider
their number of Sunday Masses. There are more
Masses than necessary, fewer priests available, and
reduced resources for utilities.

Our church has a seating capacity of 700. Each
Sunday 1400 people attend Mass here. We have 3
morning masses (8,10 and 12) and 2 evening Masses
(Saturday @ 4 & Sunday @ 7:30).

If we must reduce the number of Masses from 5 to
4, which Mass should it be? If you are a registered
parishioner at Epiphany, please indicate your desire by
completing the form in the Church vestibule. If you are
not an enrolled parishioner, please register.

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 donated already. God will
reward you abundantly.

✠ 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



Christmas Music at Epiphany

Join us now and share the gift of music

We welcome volunteer
Singers, Trumpet players & Violinists
to join us now as we prepare for Christmas

sing and play with us at
Lessons & Carols at Epiphany
Sunday, December 12, 5:00 - 6:00 PM
and throughout the Christmas Season



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.

A PLEA FOR ALTAR SERVERS

We cherish our youth and hope that they will start at a very young age to serve others. Serving at the altar is a great way for our youth to serve God and His Church. Please encourage your children, grandchildren and all boys & girls in grade 5 and above to become altar servers. If a child you know can serve, please see Fr Austin or call 212-475-1966.



JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY



The Legion of Mary is part of the worldwide association of Catholic laity who serve the Church in prayer and the performance of apostolic works. Today, there are over 3 million members, making it the largest apostolic organization of Catholic lay people.

Meetings are at 6:00 PM every Wednesday in the Rectory.

For information, please call Mary at 212-686-7913.



Mass Book for 2016

Reservations for 2016 announced
weekday & Saturday AM Masses
will be accepted beginning
Monday, November 16.

Until Dec 7, we will accept only reservations submitted using the forms available in church & on our website.

Completed forms may be submitted by mail or in person at the parish office.

After Dec 7, reservations may be made in person at the parish office.

The stipend set by the Archdiocese of New York for an announced Mass is \$15.



Feast of St. Frances X. Cabrini at Cabrini Shrine

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Celebrate the Feast of the Patron Saint of Immigrants at five Masses in five languages.

Sat, Nov 14

10 AM Italian; 11:30 AM French/Haitian; 2 PM Spanish

Sun, Nov 15

11 AM English; 2 PM Filipino

MedRite Urgent Care (our neighbor)

A representative from MedRite Urgent Care will be in the church narthex on Sunday, Nov 8, after the 10:00 & 12:00 Masses.



RCIA

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

Thomas Merton & the Carmelite Tradition

Annual Retreat / Day of Recollection

Saturday, November 14 - 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Corpus Christi Church
529 West 121 Street

Donation: \$25 (includes a light lunch)
Registration required: 212-666-9350 (by Nov 11)
e-mail inquiry: mertonnyc@yahoo.com
corpus-christi-nyc.org/corpus-christi-chapter

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)

1 Kings 17:10--16

"Do not be afraid...for the Lord says, 'the jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry...'"

In today's reading, the word of God, through the prophet, sustained the widow through her need.

The widow and her child suffered from the drought that afflicted Israel. The prophet Elijah requested a meal with a promise that **God would provide** until the drought ended. In faith, the widow prepared Elijah's meal first. And her jars of food remained sufficient until the rains came.

This simple story has a greater purpose. Even in dire need, those who suffer will receive comfort from God. And, when there does not seem to be the means to share, God will find a way. In our need, let us remember the lesson of Elijah and the miracle of the jars.

Hebrews 9:24-28

"Christ will appear a second time...to bring salvation to those who await him."

In these verses, the author of Hebrews focused on heaven and the end times. By the sacrifice of the cross Christ extended himself into heaven where he intercedes for us with his Father. Because his priesthood was eternal, he needed to offer his sacrifice only once. It was for all time.

The threads of sin and death are woven tightly together in this reading. People may try to appease God over and over for their shortcomings, but men die only once and face God's final judgement only once. The death of Christ granted forgiveness of sin and allows us, at the end of our human life, to obtain salvation. Futility was replaced by hope. Death delivers us to eternal life.



Christ will appear a second time, not to forgive sin, but to deliver God's promise of eternal salvation.

Mark 12:38-44

"This poor widow...from her poverty has contributed all she had."

The widow in Mark's gospel represents the truly poor, those who can neither speak for themselves nor fend for themselves. She shared what she had for the good of others and the glory of God. Christ calls us to do as much.



Christ inspires in us love for those less fortunate than ourselves. In the Beatitudes, Jesus himself proclaimed the Kingdom as the home of the poor. Throughout the centuries, many faithful have served those in need. Today, we, as Christians, are called to share time, talent, and treasure with those who cannot speak for themselves. In fact, our call as Christians demands we share. To turn away from our commitment would be inconsistent with our love for the Lord.

The corporal works of mercy (feeding the sick, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the imprisoned and the sick, burying the dead) inspire love for those in need. Mercy is the touchstone of Christian living.

A wise person once said, "We should thank the poor for the opportunity to serve." We will receive the gift of grace from God when we give of ourselves to serve the poor and enable them to accept our giving with dignity. We should be the ones who say, "Thank you", for the honor to serve. God's grace will be our reward.

The poor widow gave all she had as a gift. At the same time, she also gives us a gift - the opportunity to sacrifice whatever we can to share with others. To her and all like her, let us express our gratitude.



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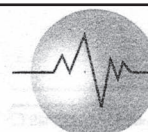
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