

Church Hours:

Monday through Friday hours:

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

Saturday hours:

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

Sunday hours:

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

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 1:15 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 – 3:45 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
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The Parish Office is closed on
Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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April 3, 2016
Divine Mercy Sunday
Second Sunday of Easter

Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible

Announced Mass Intentions**Saturday, April 2, 2016**

8:00 pm (vigil) Joao Santos

**Sunday, April 3, 2016****Divine Mercy Sunday**

8:00 am Easter Novena
 10:00 am Ellen & Edward McElroy
 12:00 pm Souls in Purgatory
 7:30 pm Decima Ibarra David

Monday, April 4, 2016

8:00 am Raymond Verzosa
 12:10 pm Dorothy H. Callahan

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

8:00 am Thomas & Vilma Shea
 12:10 pm Joseph Walsh

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

8:00 am Grace L. Ehmann
 12:10 pm John K. Stout Jr.

Thursday, April 7, 2016

8:00 am Deceased Members of
 Egan & Sheehan families
 12:10 pm Mary T. Walsh

Friday, April 8, 2016

8:00 am Easter Novena
 12:10 pm Yvette Todman-Isaac

Saturday, April 9, 2016

8:00 am Betty Jean Bartow

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

***The Paschal Candle***

has been provided by José and Luella Ramos
 for the intentions of
 Joseph & Amanda Ramos & their children,
 Benjamin, Sydney & Lucas

MASS ATTENDANCE**Palm Sunday**

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|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|
| 4:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM | 12:00 PM | 7:30 PM |
| 266 | 166 | 427 | 377 | 243 |

Easter Sunday

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| VIGIL | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM | 12:00 PM | 7:30 PM |
| 227 | 241 | 740 | 657 | NO MASS |

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

Announced Mass**Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 / week)****Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)****Memorialize a Weekday Mass Book (\$25 / copy)**

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.

***There are many Masses available
 in our 2016 Mass Book.***

Please call the rectory to reserve Masses.**Our Sanctuary Lamp**

from April 3 - May 7
 will burn in remembrance
 of members of
 the Wycoco & Stamatelaky families,
 living & deceased.

Chaplains for Military Services

On April 10, we will have a second collection for the
Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA



Last year, Pope Francis told
 military ordinaries from around
 the world that "the role of
 military chaplains is to
 accompany and support those
 in need...to be a comforting and
 brotherly presence for all."

Your support of this national
 collection for military chaplains
 will bring the sacraments,
 gospel, and other forms of
 spiritual support to the men and
 women who serve our country
 and defend our freedoms,
 including parishioners and
 families from our own
 archdiocese.

As always, we are grateful to
 our parishioners for their
 customary generosity.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Repairs to our steam system continue
 to place an unavoidable burden on our
 operating budget.

February \$ 3,842.

March \$ 7,320.

We hope this gives our parishioners a clearer picture of
 how unforeseen events affect the financial health of
 our parish.

Fr. Austin



Music at Epiphany

Join us and share the gift of music

As we celebrate our rebirth in Christ,
it's a perfect time to sing and play together at Epiphany.
Come and be a part of the music of our parish all year long.

Music is an expression of joy. Come and be joyful with us!



School News

We are pleased to announce that Mr. James Hayes has been appointed President of The Epiphany School. Mr. Hayes has dedicated himself to our school for over 38 years. We are so pleased

that he will continue to be a presence in maintaining our school as a thriving institution of Catholic education.

Congratulations to Mr. Hayes as President of The Epiphany School!

Our long-time parishioner, Mrs. Kate McHugh, will step into the position of Principal, continuing to foster academic excellence and Catholic identity at the Epiphany School.

Congratulations to our new Principal!

We are blessed to have both Mr. Hayes and Mrs. McHugh with us in their new and well-deserved leadership roles.

Couples suffering infertility and recurrent miscarriages

St. Gianna Mass on Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 PM
St. Catherine of Siena Church (411 East 68 St)

Couples, family and friends are invited to attend.

For further information, contact

Sr. Shirley Ann at the Family/Respect Life office
212-371-1011x3195 or sr.shirleyann@archny.org

Girl Scout Cookie Weekends

April 10 - 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
2nd Grade Brownies

April 16 - 17

after the 4:00, 8:00, 10:00 & 12:00 Masses
1st Grade Daisies

Girl Scout cookies will be on sale in the narthex.



Kindergarten Daisy Bingo Fundraiser

Sunday, April 17 - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
in the Parish Hall



Join the Kindergarten Daisy Troop
for a day of fun & winning
to raise funds for the Bowery Mission.

Divine Comedy

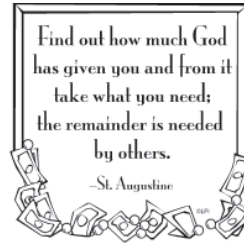


A little boy told his CCD teacher,
"When you die, God takes care of you like
your parents did
when you were alive --
only he never hollers at you."

A sign on the wall outside of a Maryland convent:
"Trespassers will be prosecuted
to the fullest extent of the law."

~ The Sisters of Mercy

The 2016 Cardinal's Appeal



During this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*,
we are called to help one another
and to be merciful -
as Jesus is to us.

It is only with **your help** that the
*Cardinal's Annual
Stewardship Appeal*
continues to be a beacon of hope
for all of our brothers and sisters
through our ministries and charities.

Our total as of Thursday, March 24, was \$128,686,
pledged by 254 (of our almost 2,000) families.

We are extremely grateful to all who have submitted their
pledges, many of which have already been paid in full.

We appeal to all our parishioners to consider prayerfully
their donation to the Cardinal's Appeal.

We'd love to hear from all our parish families
and we know we can rely, as always,
on the unfailing generosity of our Epiphany parishioners.

If you have not already given, please do so now.
Each and every parishioner's participation is needed.
Thanks in advance for doing your fair share!



Annual Golden Wedding Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral



Couples celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2016 are
invited to attend a Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral,
celebrated by His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan.

Sat, June 25 at 1:30 PM **OR** Sun, June 26 at 2:00 PM

Pre-registration is required.

(All couples must register in their home parish.)

Please call the Epiphany rectory to make arrangements.

Closing date for registration is Tuesday, May 24.

7th Annual Pilgrimage of NY

Saturday, April 16 (rain date: Sat, Sep 17)
Begin: 9 AM at St. Frances X. Cabrini Shrine
701 Fort Washington Avenue - NYC 10040

End: 6:15 PM at a Pilgrim's Mass
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Shrine
7 State Street - NYC 10004

Making stops at
The Church of St. Paul - East Harlem
St. Patrick's Cathedral
The Church of St. Peter - Lower Manhattan

Please visit www.pofnyc.org
and register today!

UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

Acts 5:12-16

"...and they were all cured."

After the resurrection of Christ, Luke now writes of the Christian community and the apostles, relating the results of God's work in supernatural power. In the midst of people's natural fear of joining, God continues to work in an ever greater way through the preaching of the gospel, so that a steady stream of men and women who believed are added.

A faith alive with the power of God will be a growing faith, with new believers coming to the Lord for salvation and incorporation into his body.

The effect of the apostles' *signs and wonders* ministry heightens the attraction of the faith. The sick are brought to the apostles, even laid in the streets to intercept them, as in Jesus' early Galilean ministry. There is heightened expectation--the hope that at least Peter's shadow with its healing power may fall on someone as he passes by.

The apostles' evangelization brings a broadening scope for the church's mission. It very naturally enters its second phase, as crowds from the towns around Jerusalem, again in a constant stream, bring their sick and demon-possessed. Those once unfit for worship are brought forward to receive salvation. **God's salvation is for everyone**, Jews and Gentiles, the blind, the sick, even the unclean. Jews always believed in one true God. Now this belief could be understood by all.



Revelations 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

"...now I am alive forever and ever."

The apostles, as companions of Jesus, are compelled in the Acts of the Apostles to share the story of salvation far and wide with signs and wonder. By contrast, in Revelations, John is given the mission to prophesy in the Lord's name.

In a vision, John sees the Son of Man in the company of angels and is commanded to write prophecy for the various communities of Christians about the gift of salvation brought to them by the Risen Christ. "Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever." The glorified Christ, instructs John to write what he *has seen*, what *is happening* and what *will happen afterwards*. The words of the Risen Christ, who holds the keys of death and resurrection, will be delivered by his disciple's prophecies to the new faithful.

This is the essence of prophecy: the mission given to John by the Risen Christ is a task for all Christians. It was written by John and passed to us - for us to understand and to live by his message.

Today's Psalm: 118

*Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.*

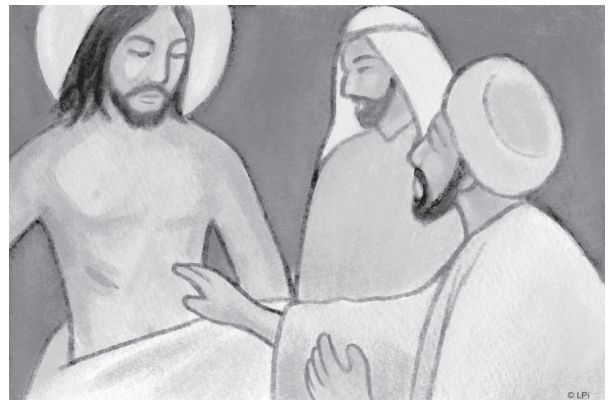
John 20:19-31

"Peace be with you...Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

True peace brings happiness. The gospel tells us how Jesus gave his followers peace by reassuring them that he was still alive. He had told them he would not leave them orphans and there he was! The peace he left with his apostles was not just for those who knew him as a man. His gift of peace was for all who had been saved by his death and resurrection.

We do not know what Christ's risen body was like. The risen Jesus could be touched by his followers. His body still had the wounds of the passion. Yet, he entered locked rooms at will, not limited by space and time and appeared transformed from the man they knew. The body of Christ now possessed the power of the Spirit.

The resurrection was at once a moment in history two millennium ago and a moment for all time. That which space and time bound was raised to the eternal. When we profess Christ is risen, we acknowledge our faith in a life beyond despite our present limitations. We can touch that very life through the Spirit. And, because of the Spirit, our shortcomings that stand in the way of eternal life can be swept aside.



When Thomas refused to believe without the evidence of sight, he represented the generations of Christians who would never be in a room with the physical presence of the *man* who walked on earth. Two centuries later, we have the rewards of salvation and the gift of Christ, himself, in the Eucharist. These were given to us by the Risen Christ and we are peaceful, happy and blessed because we "have not seen and have believed."

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