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:

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Sunday hours:

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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:

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Sacrament of Marriage:

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Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 16, 2016

4:00 pm (vigil) Barbara Devins

Sunday, July 17, 2016

8:00 am Helen P. Brown 10:00 am Jan Archacki 12:00 pm Charles Riley 7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, July 18, 2016

St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

8:00 am Timothy J. McGinn

12:10 pm Santos Cordero & Juan Merenguer

Tuesday, July 19, 2016

8:00 am Patrick Brody

12:10 pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 St. Apollinaris, Bishop

8:00 am Jimmie Dwyer

12:10 pm Christine & John A. Kennedy

Thursday, July 21, 2016 St. Lawrence of Brindisi,

Priest & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am Sharon Schneider (living)

12:10 pm Benjamin Cabrera

Friday, July 22, 2016 St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 am deceased members

of the Dooley family

12:10 pm Joseph Walsh

Saturday, July 23, 2016 St. Bridget. Religious

8:00 am C. Dorothy Morgan

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

Going on Vacation?

Mary Magdalene



Don't forget to pay your rent! and please remember to provide for Epiphany! (Our summer attendance goes way down and our expenses go way up.)

MASS ATTENDANCE

July 2 - 3

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Louis was laid to rest next to his wife, Marian, on June 21 in Holy Cross Cemetery in Billings, Montana.

Louis's life was dedicated to his family and to the

Stuyvesant Town community as a Little League coach and a Boy Scout leader at Epiphany.

Louis loved Epiphany parish and we are at a loss without his ushering in the southeastern pews of our church.



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A new monk takes up residence in a monastery. When he arrives, the abbot reminds him of the vow of silence. "We may speak only once every ten years." The monk understands his vow.

Ten years go by and the monk enters the abbot's office.

The abbot asks, "Well, my son, what have you to say."

The monk replies "Bed's hard."

The abbot remarks, "Is that it?" The monk says, "Yes"

Another ten years go by and the monk goes into the abbot's office and says, "Food stinks!"

The abbot asks, "Is that it?"

And the monk replies, "Yes."

After thirty years, the monk goes into the abbot's office and says "Water's cold. I quit!"

The abbot replies, "Figures! You've been complaining ever since you got here!"



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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

Genesis 18:1-10a "The Lord appeared to Abraham..."

The Genesis reading is a cautionary tale urging us to action.

Abraham rushed to greet and serve visitors in his family's nomadic colony. Guests in



Abraham's world were welcome for many reasons companionship, possible exchange between visitors and hosts for the necessities of life, and news about what was happening in the world beyond their tents.

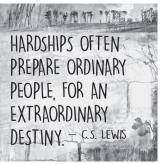
As the reading shows, hospitality was not easily provided. Bread had to be baked. A steer had to be slaughtered and prepared. Milk and curds were obtained from the flocks of sheep and goats. So much work to be a gracious host! Nothing was easy in the desert.

In exchange for his hospitality, Abraham received a gift that was so much greater. He and Sarah were promised an heir, one who could help manage the family flocks and the family trade, one who could take care of Abraham and Sarah in their old age, one who could carry on the family name and the family memory.

Abraham did not hesitate to welcome strangers. And through his welcome, Abraham received the Lord and his great promise.

Colossians 1:24-28 "Now I rejoice in my sufferings..."

Paul's message to the Colossians is not just a question of surviving human suffering. It is a question of the purpose of suffering. Is there a reason for our suffering?



To Paul, the afflictions of his life were an instrument of Christ's ministry. He saw his own suffering as an extension of Christ's on the cross. If Christ gave his all, Paul reasoned, so should he. And. if Christ rose from the dead, Paul would also rise in glory.

Paul did not think he could complete what Christ left unfinished on the cross. His contribution to Christ's ministry was to help new Christians to understand their human afflictions in the context of Christ's sacrifice on the cross. Christ's death and resurrection brought salvation to the world. Our humanity allows us a share in Christ's sacrifice, reminding us of what was achieved by it - our greatest gift - salvation.

Today's Psalm: 15

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Luke 10:38-42

"You are anxious ... about many things. There is need of only one thing."

What is more important when we offer our hospitality to visitors? Serving them or enjoying their company?

In the gospel, Martha and Mary were a perfect example of the two problems in welcoming people. Martha got busy serving her guest, while Mary simply wanted to listen. Harried with the work and frustrated with her sister's lack of help, Martha complained to Jesus. In response, Jesus told Martha to stop worrying and start listening.

Jesus did not reject the need for serving others. Helping guests is the sign of a gracious host. What



Jesus *did* insist upon was balance. There is a time to prepare for guests and there is a time to socialize with them. There is a time to serve and a time to

When we welcome the Lord, we should prepare for the welcome with prayer, but be ready to hear the Lord at every moment. On the one hand, we cannot reduce our spiritual life to prayer. If we do, prayer becomes our speech to God: a list of our needs, wants, and desires. And we do not hear his voice, his call, his word. On the other hand, we cannot simply go about our business without prayer, hoping the Lord will surprise us. We might fail to hear his voice. So, we need to prepare our hearts with prayer, but open our hearts to hear the Lord.

How many times have we hosted a gathering and realize, as our guests leave, that we never took a moment just to sit and enjoy their company? God is always available to share his presence with us whenever we take the time to sit and listen.



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