

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)

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. Baptism class is *required* for all new parents. We ask parents 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:

We ask couples planning to get married 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

Telephone: 212-475-1966 Fax: 212-504-8363

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September 11, 2016
Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible

Announced Mass Intentions**Saturday, September 10, 2016**

4:00 pm (vigil) Nicholas Lemmo

Sunday, September 11, 2016

8:00 am Mary Gursky

10:00 am Eulalia Guerra

12:00 pm Sylvia McCullagh Baker

4:00 pm Special 9/11 Mass

for Sean Lugano

7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, September 12, 2016**Most Holy Name of Mary**

8:00 am Hon. J. Courtney McGroarty

41st Anniversary

12:10 pm Paul Van Bloem

Tuesday, September 13, 2016**St. John Chrysostom****Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

8:00 am Marie A. Hallenbeck

9:00 am School Mass of the Holy Spirit

12:10 pm Celedonio Ridon

Wednesday, September 14, 2016**Exaltation of the Cross**

8:00 am Helen O'Dea

12:10 pm Victoria Jaramillo

Thursday, September 15, 2016**Our Lady of Sorrows**

8:00 am Mary T. Walsh

12:10 pm M. Clara Green

Friday, September 16, 2016**Sts Cornelius and Cyprian**

8:00 am Gratitude

12:10 pm Anthony Magaldi

Saturday, September 17, 2016

8:00 am Teresa Martire

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

**REMEMBRANCE & SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

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who have passed on and to pray for special intentions,
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- ✚ Qualifies your children as applicants to our parish school and our Religious Education Programs (CCD)
- ✚ Gives you a sense of community with your Parish family

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Welcome Back from Vacation!!

We missed all our parishioners who
were lucky enough to enjoy the summer
away from our sizzling metropolis.

We hope that our returning friends
can assist Epiphany with a "catch-up" gift
in support of our parish.

**MASS ATTENDANCE
September 3 - 4**

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	7:30 PM
196	103	179	149	100

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Saturday, October 1 at 7:00 PM
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Register for Religious Education classes on
Wed, Sep 14 - 3-4 PM in Epiphany Parish Hall

Confirmation Classes begin Tues, Oct 4 -- 4:00 - 5:00

All other classes begin Wed, Oct 5

Grades 1 - 3 -- 3:15-4:30 / **Grades 4 - 6** -- 3:30 - 5:00

Please consult Epiphany website epiphanychurch.nyc
or call the rectory office at 212-475-1966 x113.

Prayer Chain on Respect Life Sunday **Sunday, October 2 - 1:00 - 2:30 PM**

Epiphany Parish will host a Prayer Chain for Life

Please join the Sisters of Life,
Epiphany parishioners, friends & family
to offer prayers for the lives of the unborn.



22 Club returns!

The 22 Club will resume meeting
on Tuesday, September 13, at 12:00 PM
Hooray! A new season of fun begins!



Church Mice.

Fall TACHS Prep Program

Cathedral High School invites
8th grade young ladies
to a program of prep classes for the
Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools.
This 7-week program will run on Saturdays from
September 17 thru October 29.
For more information, please visit
www.cathedralhs.org.



Recovery Sunday **an annual day of prayer**

On Sep 17 - 18, Epiphany Parish
will offer our prayers
for all people struggling with
and in recovery from
addictive illnesses and behaviors.

29th Annual Walkathon **at the Mary Manning Walsh Home** **1339 York Av (btwn 71st & 72nd)**

Saturday, September 17

8 AM: Join us for Mass & breakfast at the MMW Home.
9:30 AM: Walk with us to Central Park.

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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 **"So the Lord relented..."**

God was really angry at the Israelites in today's reading. What had they done that he was ready to destroy them and create a new covenant with Moses to replace the one he had made with Abraham and his descendants?

Earlier in Exodus, the orders of worship were declared in great detail - the altar, vessels, garments, method of sacrifice. God had clearly told his people what he wanted. Now they ignored his words by trying to put a face on God and worshipping – not God – but a man-made image.

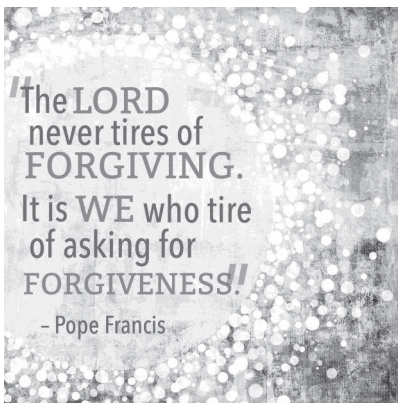
God had taken the Israelites as his people, promising the gifts of a great heritage, a land of plenty and his eternal commitment to them. They should have understood they did not need a graven image to augment their intimate relationship with God.

Moses begged God to keep the covenant he had established with Abraham. And God relented and allowed Moses' faith to earn forgiveness for all his people.

Moses pled before God for his people and God embraced them. God's forgiveness is always available when we offer repentance.

1 Timothy 1:12-17 **"Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners."**

Today's message of God's mercy continues in the letter to Timothy. Biblical scholars have challenged whether this letter was actually written by Paul, but the authorship is not nearly as important as the message of forgiveness and mercy.



Paul's conversion saved him from a life of arrogant denial of Christ. The faith and love of Jesus Christ and the grace of God were abundantly bestowed on him to save him and give him faith. He was mercifully treated in his ignorance and was shown the

patience and love that Christ showed the world when he came to save us.

This brief review of Paul's life gives us hope. Despite our sinfulness, God still loves us. He gives us courage and strength, love and hope. He pours his grace and mercy upon us in overflowing measure. His forgiveness is always available to us.

Today's Psalm: 51

I will rise and go to my father.

Luke 15:1-32 or 15: 1-10

"...there will be rejoicing among the angels over one sinner who repents."

The Pharisees are again trying to shame Jesus by challenging whether he followed Jewish law properly. They knew he shared meals with "sinners", thereby breaking Jewish laws. If his companions were not "holy", then *his* holiness was contaminated. Why did he not separate himself from unworthy people?

Jesus used the parables of the "lost" to show the Pharisees that God will welcome *everyone* back into his presence, though they had been lost to him through sin. Just as a shepherd rejoices when he finds one of his hundred sheep and the woman is overjoyed to find a coin she had lost, Jesus tells the Pharisees that there will be so much more rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents and returns to God.



The familiar story of the prodigal son is one that is familiar and easy to understand because it is so human. Even after the son threw away his gifts and turned away from his family, his father loved him every bit as much upon his return as he loved him the day he left. If a human father can love so well, how much deeper is the love that God has for us?

Some of us may need a little less forgiveness than the Prodigal Son, but it is a great comfort to know that big sins and little sins will be set aside when we return to God and ask for the abundant forgiveness and mercy that is always available to us.

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