

**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):**

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**September 18, 2016**  
**Twenty-fifth Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

*Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible*

**Announced Mass Intentions****Saturday, September 17, 2016**

4:00 pm (vigil) Hank Maier

**Sunday, September 18, 2016**

8:00 am Sheila Feitelberg

10:00 am Anthony Jacona

12:00 pm Frank Howard

7:30 pm Our Parishioners

**Monday, September 19, 2016****St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr**

8:00 am Ana Gutierrez

12:10 pm Virginia Granados

**Tuesday, September 20, 2016****Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs**

8:00 am Holy Souls

12:10 pm Joseph Walsh

**Wednesday, September 21, 2016****St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

8:00 am Loreto Xuereb

12:10 pm Ann Marie Capuano

**Thursday, September 22, 2016**

8:00 am Vicente Compas

12:10 pm Loretta &amp; Frank Kunkel

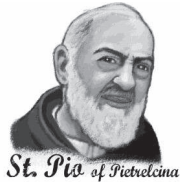
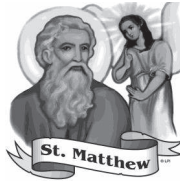
**Friday, September 23, 2016****St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest**

8:00 am Charles Wassem

12:10 pm Dick Woods

**Saturday, September 24, 2016**

8:00 am Alice M. Egan



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

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**MASS ATTENDANCE**  
**September 10 - 11**

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	7:30 PM
172	157	288	129	179

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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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**ON THE MONEY**

Finances for 11 months ending July 31

	2016	2015
REVENUE	\$ 945,564	\$ 813,164
EXPENSE	\$ 652,566	\$ 901,487
NET	\$ 292,998	\$ (88,323)



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## *Sunday Scripture Program*

Our Sunday Scripture Program resumes

Sunday, September 25  
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We invite children  
in Nursery through Second Grade to attend.

## **HEARING ASSISTANCE**



Epiphany church offers a loop system  
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## **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.

## **Lectors**

The new lector schedules are  
available in the usher's room.  
Schedules are also available  
under the "Ministry" tab on our  
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## **The 2016 Cardinal's Appeal**

We are immeasurably grateful to all the 356 families  
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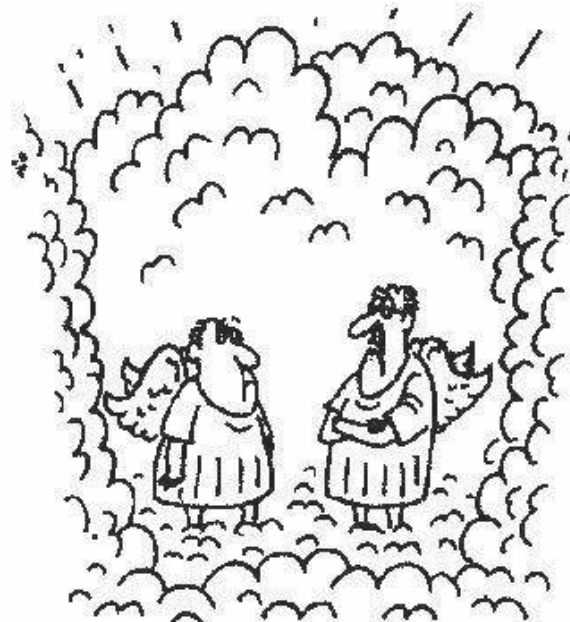
GOAL	PLEDGED	COLLECTED
\$131,000	\$164,875	\$147,915

Epiphany parish will receive a rebate of 60%  
of any monies *COLLECTED* over our goal of \$131,000.

## ***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.



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"...and just when I had begin to  
understand Medicare, Part D."



## UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

### Amos 8:4-7

***"The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Never will I forget a thing they have done!"***

Long ago, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade math teacher said, "When you put a dollar sign in front of a number, your math improves." Yet, sometimes a dollar sign can obscure the true value of our riches.

Today's reading highlights the very human error of allowing possessions to rule us, rather than using them according to God will.

Prosperity brings privilege as well as responsibility. Wealth's privilege affords freedom from material want, but also carries the obligation to assist others in need. God wants us to enjoy our material gifts and asks only that we use them fairly and wisely, and with compassion for people in our lives.



Wealth is not always preceded by a dollar sign. Sometimes our riches are simply the treasure of a loving family, healthy children, a beloved spouse, a secure home. These are treasures that free us to share ourselves with others, with a kind word, a friendly smile, or a few minutes of our time.

If we hold God's words in our hearts, we will always remember to care for others. "Never will I forget a thing that they have done!"

### 1 Timothy 2:1-8

***"It is my wish...men should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument."***

The desire for a peaceful life is almost universal.

Today's reading describes an ideal Christian life, encouraging Christians to pray for their nations and their leaders. Through prayer, Christ, our savior, would mediate with his Father on our behalf and God would bless his faithful with a tranquil life.

The author of today's reading affirms the ministry of Paul as herald, apostle, and teacher of faith and truth to the Gentiles. Then he closes as he began – with an appeal for prayer. This second call to prayer asks men to pray with holy hands and without anger.

This reading is especially important in the world today. We are called to pray in a way that is pleasing to God, asking for peace and dignity, seeking knowledge of truth. As we pray for these gifts for ourselves, we may ask the same for all of God's people.

## Today's Psalm: 11

*Praise the Lord,  
praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*

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### Luke 16:10-13

***"The person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones."***

Christ's parables are meant to teach us lessons that will be useful to us in following God, but they are not always easy to understand.

Today's parable is about trustworthiness. In life, in our careers, we start with small responsibilities and, as we prove ourselves, we are trusted with greater ones. Each time we show that we can be trusted with a task, others are encouraged to rely on us in greater and greater measure. It feels good to know that people look to us when they have a job to do.

Christ compares our service in the world with our service to God. We are called to serve masters in this world, our teachers, our parents, our supervisors. But, more importantly, we must serve the Master of our souls, with greater constancy than we serve the masters of this world.

We need to serve in our human world, but we cannot divide our souls between God and worldly gain.

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## Mary The Un-doer of Knots

*Mary is the Mother who patiently and lovingly brings us to God, so that he can untangle the knots of our soul by his fatherly mercy. We all have some of these knots and we can ask in our heart of hearts:*

*What are the knots in my life? "Father, my knots cannot be undone!" It is a mistake to say anything of the sort! All the knots of our heart, every knot of our conscience, can be undone. Do I ask Mary to help me trust in God's mercy, to undo those knots, to change? She, as a woman of faith, will surely tell you: "Get up, go to the Lord: he understands you."*

*Pope Francis*

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