### **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

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Mrs. Bogna McGarrigle Director of Music Ministries and Organist

> October 9, 2016 **Twenty-eighth Sunday** in Ordinary Time

Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible

### **Announced Mass Intentions**

Saturday, October 8, 2016

4:00 pm (vigil) Michael Nardoza

Sunday, October 9, 2016

8:00 am Percy B. Green

10:00 am Thanksgiving for Rose Guerra Yassa

12:00 pm Carmine Esposito 7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, October 10, 2016

8:00 am Giuseppe Astorina 12:10 pm **NO 12:10 MASS** 

Tuesday, October 11, 2016 St. John XXIII. Pope

8:00 am Intentions of

Lolita Compas

12:10 pm Stephen Sydor

Wednesday, October 12, 2016

8:00 am Edward Moreno 12:10 pm Grace L. Ehmann

Thursday, October 13, 2016

8:00 am Mary T. Walsh 12:10 pm Samuel Martin

Friday, October 14, 2016 St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

8:00 am Apolonia Diomampo 12:10 pm Frances C. Cenni

Saturday, October 15, 2016

St. Teresa of Jesus,

Virgin & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am George Vella

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



### All Souls' Day Novena envelopes

are available at the back of the church.

Please return them before All Souls' Day, Nov 2. Our intentions will remain on the altar at all novena Masses.



## Business Office Closed Monday, October 10

in case of emergency call 212-475-1966 (24-hr answering service)

As on all civil holidays, there will be no 12:10 Mass on Columbus Day

## MASS ATTENDANCE

October 1 - 2

4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:30 PM 175 112 328 229 185

### **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 (\$15)

Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 / week)

Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.

## **Our Sanctuary Lamp**

from October 9 - 15 will burn for Dr. Joseph Niznik





### The Bread and Wine

from October 9 - 15 will be offered for the intentions of Christopher Escueta



### Mass Book for 2017

Reservations for 2017 announced Masses are now being accepted.

Mass reservation forms are available in the narthex of the church. Forms are also available on the parish website.

Guidelines for submitting requests are provided on the reservation form.

## The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. Sacraments are outward signs established by Jesus Christ to confer inward grace. The Anointing is a rite performed to bestow God's grace on the recipient through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The special grace of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

- unites the sick person to the passion of Christ
- brings strength, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age
- bestows the forgiveness of sins if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of penance
- the salvation of his soul
- prepares the faithful for passing over to eternal life

We do not have to be at the point of death to receive this sacrament.

The *Catechism* says that the anointing of the sick is not a sacrament only for those who are at the point of death. As soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, it is certainly a fitting time for a Catholic to receive this sacrament.

Any parishioner in need of anointing is invited to call the rectory to make arrangements.

http://www.catholic.com/tracts/anointing-of-the-sick



### **Calling New Choristers!**

Your passion for singing can create a special place for you in our parish liturgies.

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Rehearsals: Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the church (side door)

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A great opportunity for children to learn about music and liturgy, to develop their voices in an enjoyable and fulfilling environment.

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Rehearsals on Wednesdays at 3:15 PM

To enroll your child, please contact Natalie Pawelek at epiphanyyouthchoirnyc@gmail.com

## Comic Relief

Q: How did the farmer mend his pants?

A: With cabbage patches

Q: Why did the man lose his job at the OJ factory?

A: He couldn't concentrate

Q: Why did the baby strawberry cry?

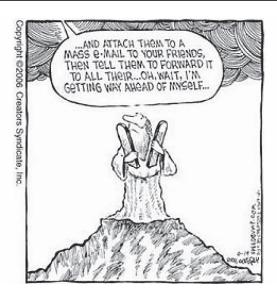
A: His parents were in a jam

### ON THE MONEY

by Fr. Austin Titus

Once per year, envelope users receive a Debt Reduction envelope to assist the parish in paying off long-term debts. We have an outstanding equipment loan of \$36,000 that will be fully satisfied in 2019.

The total amount contributed to our 2016 'Debt Reduction' collection was \$1.674.





Please silence your cell phone during our Sacred Liturgies.

(If God is on the line, He'll get a message to you during the Mass.)

#### WALK THE WALK!

Sunday, October 15 after the 10:00 Family Mass

at our 7th Annual Walk & Fall Festival

to benefit Epiphany School and

Catholic Charities' **Feeding Our Neighbors** campaign.

All funds raised will make a direct impact on our school and all non-perishable food items collected will benefit our neighbors in need.



Please be sure to join us after the walk in the 22nd St school for our Fall Festival of games, activities, & refreshments.

Please **bring non-perishable food items** and deposit them in the cartons provided

To register, visit the
Epiphany Parish Website,
click on the 'SCHOOL' tab and then
click on the "Walkathon" link on the
home page of the Epiphany school website.



### PRAY THE ROSARY

Join the Epiphany Ladies of Charity to pray the rosary on

Epiphany Church Plaza Saturday, October 15 at 12:00 PM

"Pray the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary to obtain peace in the world...for she alone can save it." -- Our Lady at Fatima July 13, 2017



## Assistance for parishioners who suffer from Celiac Disease

We invite parishioners who are unable to tolerate wheat products to receive the Blood of Christ during the distribution of the Eucharist.

To make arrangements, please see the celebrant in the sacristy before Mass.

## Cabrini Immigrant Services



Weekends of Oct 29-30 & Nov 5-6 Cabrini's Annual Coat Drive is an opportunity for us to follow the teachings of Christ by providing warm coats & jackets for immigrant families.

Please bring your new or gently used jackets & coats for men, women & children of all ages to Epiphany. The sisters are always grateful for your generosity.

"For I was...naked and you clothed me... Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" - Matt 25:36

#### UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

### 2 Kings 5:14-17

## "I will no longer offer...sacrifice to any other god except to the Lord."

Last week's reading in Kings asked "Why?" Why do we suffer? Why doesn't God hear our prayers?

This week's reading answers our question with a story of a man who seeks relief from his affliction and remembers that it is God who heard his prayers and granted him the gift of a cure.

More important than the outward change of a cleansing of his leprosy, Naaman's change from within was the gift of gratitude he felt and his new allegiance to the one true God. He saw the hand of God working and he believed.

Marcus Tullius Cicero, who lived before Christ was born as man, said "Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all others." As a Roman, he likely worshipped many gods, but his words about gratitude confirm the change that can occur in us when we remember to be thankful to God for his gifts.

## Today's Psalm: 98

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

## Luke 17:11-19 "...your faith has saved you."

As Jesus traveled to Jerusalem, he did not bypass Samaria as most Jews would have done in order to avoid contact with people who did not practice Judaism "properly". Instead,



he made his way among the scorned Samaritans, confirming by example that he would bring salvation to observant Jews, to untraditional Jews and to Gentiles as well.

As centuries-long enemies, Samaritans and Jews would never have gathered together unless the situation was desperate. Leprosy created just such desperate conditions for the ten lepers to be together when they saw Christ.

Standing at the required distance, the ten lepers begged for pity from Jesus while acknowledging him as "Master". And *Christ's word alone* was sufficient to accomplish their healing. His word revealed that he *is* the Master. All who witnessed the healing would acknowledge that such a man *must* be intimate with the Creator. He must truly speak the word of God and be filled with the Holy Spirit. When the healed lepers showed themselves to the priests, they would carry physical evidence of who the wandering rabbi was.

While the nine made their way to Jerusalem as proof of Christ's power to heal physical illness, only one leper recognized the spiritual healing that he had received. He was a Samaritan who was selected for healing by the Master himself. Not only had his leprosy been cured, but he now knew that Christ had come to heal the spirit as well, by saving Jews, Samaritans, Gentiles and all who heard his words.

Because of the Samaritan's gratitude for his physical and spiritual healing, Christ declared that, "Your faith has saved you." His acceptance of Christ as his master and his gratitude foretold our salvation by Christ through his resurrection.

We don't always receive such dramatic reminders to be grateful, but it's reassuring to know that we can receive the same gift of healing every day in our faith, our sacraments and our liturgy.

### 2 Timothy 2:8-13

## "If we have died with him we shall also live with him..."

Today's letter to Timothy continues the encouragement he has been receiving from the imprisoned Paul. As always, Paul's focus is on the salvation received through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. Proclaiming the Gospel resulted in Paul's imprisonment. Yet, he rejoiced in his suffering because it was endured for the sake of passing God's Word to the followers of Jesus Christ.

Paul reminded Timothy that the promise of our salvation is that we will live with Christ and we will reign with Christ if we persevere and remain faithful.

Christ has given us the guarantee of being with him in eternal glory if we bear our sufferings and have faith in him.

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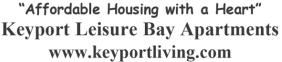
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