#### **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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> October 23, 2016 **Thirtieth Sunday** in Ordinary Time

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#### **Announced Mass Intentions**

Saturday, October 22, 2016 St. John Paul II, Pope

4:00 pm (vigil) Clara Pappalardo

Sunday, October 23, 2016

8:00 am Intentions of Ann McPhail

10:00 am Michael Magner 12:00 pm Gregorio Maggiore 7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, October 24, 2016 St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8:00 am Intentions of

Rose & Daniel Harnett & family

12:10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

8:00 am Hal Wolin 12:10 pm Intentions of

Alison & Stephen McPhail & family

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

8:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Rosato

12:10 pm Jean Perry

Thursday, October 27, 2016

8:00 am Robert Dwyer & Bernard Montes

12:10 pm Mildred Cammarata

Friday, October 28, 2016 Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

8:00 am Intentions of

Stephen McPhail

12:10 pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, October 29, 2016

8:00 am Faithful departed members of the

Guerra & Yassa families

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.

### MASS ATTENDANCE October 15 - 16

4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:30 PM 213 117 434 --- 156



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Announced Mass (\$15)
Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 / week)
Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.

#### **Our Sanctuary Lamp**

from October 23 - 29 will burn for the healing of Rosalinda Ontalen





#### The Bread and Wine

from October 23 - 29 will be offered for victims of Hurricane Matthew



#### 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
- 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

#### FALL CONCERT Saturday, October 29 after the 4:00 Mass

We invite you to the opening of our concert season with \*Il Giardino d'Amore\*

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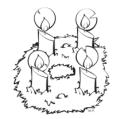
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Contact Parish Office at 212-679-8166 ext. 210



The 2017 Workbook for Lectors is available in the sacristy.

Lectors are invited to come to the sacristy to receive & sign for a workbook.



#### **ADVENT IS COMING!**

The Advent wreath candles will burn on the altar during the Advent season. If you would like to memorialize one of the candles, please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Donation to memorialize a candle is \$100.



#### from Fr. Austin Titus

We are so very grateful to the members of our Events Planning Committee for their hard work and dedication to the

success of our Oktoberfest and Mardi Gras celebrations.
Their commitment has enhanced parish life and inspired others to join in support of Epiphany parish.
The committee's efforts have resulted in over \$20,000 in financial support for our parish.

A very special thank you to generous contributors,
Peter DeLuca of Andrett Funeral Home
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Stephen and Patricia Klein for their music & singing.

Thanks to all who have joined their friends & neighbors at the wonderful events planned & produced for the enjoyment of the Epiphany community.



#### Cabríní 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)

#### Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

#### "The Lord...hears the cry of the oppressed."

The Book of Sirach was a scriptural manual of morals for the Jewish people. Written almost two centuries before Christ was born, when Jerusalem was under Syrian domination, its proverbs sought to guide the reader's conduct through difficult times.

In the Temple, where scripture ruled the way sacrifices and alms were to be offered, people began to allow secular laws to supersede scripture. People of means made a great show of their offerings, while slighting those of lower social stature. Worshipping in the Temple became a financial venture for the wealthy, while the poor began to see it as a showy ritual that paid only lip service to God.

Sirach tried to adjust the view of both the rich and the poor. He instructed his readers to consider worship through the eyes of God, to approach God with a humble heart, to see others the way God sees them – without partiality. No bribe or show of piety would replace the humble heart because God has no favorites. Anyone who serves God – the widow and the orphan, the weak and the oppressed – will be heard and judged equally by God, who loves us all the same.

#### 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

## "I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith."

These few verses present Paul's farewell. The author saw the walls closing in on the apostle to the Gentiles. Paul was in prison and he could see the legal wheels turning toward his death. Many of his friends had abandoned him. No one attended in his defense at his first hearing. Paul knew he would never see freedom again.

"When the world lets you down, look to God." That was Paul's attitude. Earthly glory had failed, but Paul could look forward to eternal glory. God had accomplished much through the apostle. Through his efforts and the efforts of those who followed him, the Good News had been delivered to the Gentiles in Greece and beyond. Christianity was no longer a small movement within Judaism. The seeds had been sown to fulfill the mission of preaching universal salvation. Paul would soon enjoy the fruits of his labors with his Savior in the heavenly Kingdom.

In our own lives, when we feel alone, we can take encouragement from Paul's words. When the world lets us down, we can look to God.

30" SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Today's Psalm: 34
The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

#### Luke 17:11-19

# "...whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

In Luke's gospel, Jesus described two men with vastly different outlooks – a proud Pharisee and a humble tax collector.

The Pharisees practiced a form of Judaism that required strict observance of the Law. Over time, many Jews fulfilled the letter of the law so strictly that they forgot that the focus of their faith was God, not rules. The law was no longer a pathway to God, but a lifestyle exclusive to the educated class. They enjoyed a status and power over uneducated Jews.

If the Pharisee was the ultimate insider, the tax collector was the ultimate outsider. Since the tax collector worked for the occupying forces of Rome, he was considered a traitor. Looked upon as leeches and opportunists, tax collectors were universally hated by the Jewish population.



At the Temple, both the Pharisee and the tax collector offered their prayers. The Pharisee congratulated himself for fasting and tithing beyond what the

law required. He seemed to find himself almost as praiseworthy as God himself. The tax collector, humbled by his position in his community, could only petition for God's mercy, though he obviously felt unworthy of it.

Jesus ended the parable with a moral about true Christian spirituality. God loves those who are humble enough to ask for his love; God loves those who are humble enough to help others. If we are humble enough to acknowledge our need, we will be worthy to offer a prayer for God's mercy.





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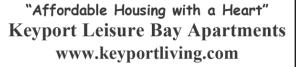
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