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:

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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. 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:

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January 8, 2017 SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 7, 2016

4:00 pm Intentions of

Mary Jane Lacist

Sunday, January 8, 2017 Solemnity of

the Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am Eunice Maloney 10:00 am Mary Stromberg 12:00 pm Intentions of

Lina Llacer

7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, January 9, 2016 The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 am Maria Cuadrado 12:10 pm Christmas Novena

Tuesday, January 10, 2016

8:00 am Eileen Kullman

12:10 pm Peter Uzzo

Wednesday, January 11, 2016

8:00 am Christmas Novena 12:10 pm Gertrude M.S. Walsh

Thursday, January 12, 2016

8:00 am Amerigo & Lina Fiorini

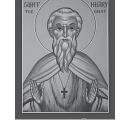
12:10 pm Nancy Barry

Friday, January 13, 2016 St. Hillary, Bishop

8:00 am Doreen Roarty
12:10 pm Christmas Novena

Saturday, January 14, 2016

8:00 am Helen P. Brown



e baptism

of Jesus

love

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

RECORD OF CONTRIBUTIONS for 2016

In order to declare contributions to Epiphany on your 2016 tax return, the IRS requires filers to obtain a written statement of contributions *PRIOR TO* filing the return.

Please call the parish office to request a statement of contributions.

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 Jan 8 - 14
will burn for members of
the Moran family, living & deceased





The Bread and Wine

from Jan 8 - 14 will be offered for the intentions of the parishioners of Epiphany

Monday, January 16
MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY
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Solemnity of the Epiphany January 8

Today is our patronal feast.

It is a special feast commemorating the day that the Magi brought gifts to the Christ child. Earthly kings

paid homage to the King of heaven.

The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek epiphainen, a verb that means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known." The feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Jesus, and the miracle at Cana.

"Of course, the Magi did not return to Herod.

Anyone who comes to Christ
cannot return the way he came."

~ Ven. Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Any parishioner seeking anointing is invited to call the rectory to make arrangements.

150 YEARS OLD!!



In 2018, Epiphany Parish will be 150 years old. This is a tremendous milestone! Just think of all the good things that have come about because of the Parish's presence in this community!

We want to celebrate this milestone, our "Sesquicentennial", throughout 2018, but it will take much planning, which will begin soon. Cardinal Dolan will celebrate with us at Mass. Additionally, there will be a parish dinner, a commemorative journal, etc.

We invite all parishioners to contribute their talents & hard work to this year-long celebration.

Our first meeting will be Tuesday, January 10, at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. If you wish to volunteer, please call the rectory office (Mon - Fri - 9AM - 5 PM - 212-475-1966).

Pray the Rosary in the New Year



Rosaries are not decorations - or jewelry - or (gasp!) something to hang on a rear-view mirror.

Battles have been won because people prayed the rosary! Souls have been converted; impossible intentions answered. It is

often a surprise how much a life can be blessed by praying the rosary.

If you have a special need, intention, or a wish deep in your heart, set aside a few quite moments and pray a rosary.

It couldn't hurt and it certainly could help.

SOMETIMES, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WE WANT... UNTIL WE GET IT!



An elderly couple noticed that they were getting a lot more forgetful, so they went to a doctor, who told them to write things down so they won't forget. At home, the wife asked her

husband to get her a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream and a cherry on top. "Write it down," she told him. He said, "No, I've got it. You want a bowl of ice cream with whipped cream and a cherry on top." So, he went to get the ice cream and was in the kitchen for half an hour, returning with a plate of eggs and bacon. The wife stared at the plate for a moment, looks incredulously at her husband and says, "I knew you would forget...Where's my toast?"

2017 Pilgrimage for Life

Friday, January 27, in Washington, D.C.

A Pilgrimage of Prayer, Penance & Fellowship on a March for Life to commemorate the 44th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade.



Mass at 6:15 AM Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus 457 West 51st St

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UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S READINGS

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

Today's Psalm: 72

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Isaiah 60:1-6

"...upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory."

Isaiah's words today are notable for their optimism. The Israelites, who had returned from exile, were still under the thumb of foreign powers. They had been rebuilding Jerusalem and the Temple for so long, they were mired in the tedium of work without end. The people needed a pep talk.

Isaiah stepped up, reminding them that the Glory of the Lord had come to Jerusalem. The world was dark, but Jerusalem was bathed in light because the Lord shined upon them. Not only was Jerusalem radiant, it would lead all nations in the light. The rest of the world would come to them.

Today's feast of the Epiphany is the manifestation of nations coming to Jerusalem. Kings were drawn to the Christ child by a light in the sky. The Glory of the Lord showed them the way to the Light of the World.



Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

"...the Gentiles are coheirs...in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel."

There's no end of good news from Paul!

In his letter to Ephesus, he reports that Christ came to save, not just the chosen people of Israel, but the Gentiles of the world as well.

Paul was the herald of God's divine mystery. His mission was to share that mystery with all the peoples of the world. The power that drove him and the apostles and Christian evangelizers was God's very spirit.

Now the Gentiles would share in the covenant God made with the Jews, sitting as equals at the table of the Lord, sharing the same hope in the coming of the Messiah.

Paul's good news was the story of God's grace and the rewards of faith for everyone.

Matthew 2:1-12

"And you, Bethlehem,...from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

The feast of Epiphany celebrates the revelation of Christ to the pagan nations. And it points to Israel's place as the source of God's revelation. The Magi came to seek the newly born King, the one who would be a light to the nations. That such august visitors would bow before Christ, even as a baby, was recognition of the Savior who had come into the world.

Their encounter foreshadowed the evangelization success Christianity would have among pagan people who hungered for God's truth. Their encounter also acknowledged Israel as God's chosen people. They would be the source of God's blessing, a living fountain of God's revelation for all people. In the feast of the Epiphany, we rejoice in the worship of the first seekers. And we are reminded to honor God's people who gave us the great gift of Jesus, our Lord.

All our readings today carry the gifts of optimism and hope for all God's children, the chosen of Israel and the Gentiles, who now were invited into the covenant between God and all who heard his word.





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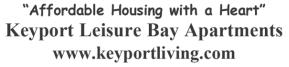
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