

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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The Parish Office is closed on
Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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January 15, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible

Announced Mass Intentions**Saturday, January 14, 2016**

4:00 pm Jane Curley

Sunday, January 15, 2017

8:00 am intentions of Margaret Weber

10:00 am Mary Frey

12:00 pm Samuel Martin

7:30 pm Gloria Labau

Monday, January 16, 2016

8:00 am Homeless in NYC

12:10 pm **NO AFTERNOON MASS****Tuesday, January 17, 2016****St. Anthony, Abbot**

8:00 am Dennis O'Keefe

12:10 pm James O'Connor

**Wednesday, January 18, 2016**

8:00 am Rudolf Gyselings

12:10 pm Yolanda Sipin

Thursday, January 19, 2016

8:00 am Mary T. Walsh

12:10 pm Healing of
Mackenzie Borchers**Friday, January 20, 2016****St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr****St. Sebastian, Martyr**

8:00 am Cristete Tolete

12:10 pm Fergus Callan

**Saturday, January 21, 2016****St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr**

8:00 am Frederick Aldrich

*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 15 - 21
will burn for
the McGroarty family

**2017 Mass Book**

Reservations for
2017 announced Masses
may be arranged
at the rectory office.

***Epiphany Ladies of Charity***

Join the Ladies of Charity of our parish
to pray the Rosary on the
First Saturday of the month at 3:00 PM.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed
during the praying of the Rosary.

We pray the Rosary as Mary asked
while adoring her beloved Son.

**Assistance for parishioners
who suffer from Celiac Disease**

For any parishioner whose gluten allergy is so
severe that cross-contamination is a problem,
we recommend purchasing your own supply of
gluten-free hosts and a **pyx** in which to
place the host during the consecration
of the Eucharist on the altar.

(Search Google under "gluten free hosts". Most suppliers of
hosts will also carry an assortment of pyxides.)

To arrange for the consecration of your host,
please speak with the celebrant
in the sacristy before Mass.

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

Please arrange this with the priest in the sacristy before Mass.

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.

If you wish to volunteer, please call the rectory office (Mon - Fri - 9AM - 5 PM - 212-475-1966).

WHERE THE MONEY GOES

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2017 Pilgrimage for Life

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

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on a March for Life to commemorate
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T'anks for the Memories

An inexperienced preacher was to hold a graveside burial service at a pauper's cemetery for an indigent man with no family or friends. Not knowing where the cemetery was, he made several wrong turns and got lost. When he eventually arrived an hour late, the hearse was nowhere in sight, the backhoe was next to the open hole, and the workmen were sitting under a tree eating lunch.



The diligent young pastor went to the open grave and found the vault lid already in place. Feeling guilty because of his tardiness, he preached an impassioned and lengthy service, sending the deceased to the great beyond in style.

As he returned to his car, he overheard one of the workmen say to the other, "I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years and I ain't never seen anything like that."



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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: 40

Here I am Lord; I come to do your will.

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

"I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

These verses come from the "Servant Songs" of Second Isaiah, written while the Jews were in exile, among a strange people. As such, they faced a crisis of faith. Who was their God? Was it still the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob?

As their one true God assured them that they were his servants, formed by him and gathered to him, to be raised up as a light to all nations. His salvation was to be for them, his chosen, and, through them, it would reach the ends of the earth.

To paraphrase, "With God's great gift came great responsibility." Enlightenment of the nations would not just "happen". The Israelites were entrusted with the burden of spreading God's message of salvation to the world.

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

These are the opening lines to Paul's first letter to the Church at Corinth. Paul was familiar with the community and wrote the letter most likely in response to the deteriorating conditions within the community. The focus of their new faith had turned inward among themselves and away from their appointed work of evangelization.

Paul recognized the status of his readers as those who had received the grace of God, those whom God called to be saints, and to live life as Christians. He prayed for the presence of the Kingdom upon his audience; in the same breath, he reminded his followers why they believed. They looked forward to the coming of Christ in glory.

When we read Paul's letters, scripture becomes personal correspondence, addressed specifically to us. The description of the new Christian Church and Paul's prayer should give us comfort. We are called by God. We experience his grace and peace *now*. We place our hope in the coming of the Kingdom. Despite the troubles we might find in our local churches, God calls us to be part of him, transcending the mundane and focusing on the greater good and, most significantly, on the message of Salvation.

John 1:29-34

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."

In today's gospel, John showed humility through his witness to Christ as one greater than himself. His humility made John's witness all the more powerful. He sought no position with one sent from God. He sought only to introduce Christ to the sinners who awaited salvation. John described Christ as the "Lamb of God," the one who would take away our sins, our Savior.



To bear witness in the time of John and Jesus, the character of the witness was of paramount importance. John, the baptizer, had a reputation to uphold as the one who foretold the arrival of Christ. Now the Lamb was present. The one who would save us and bring us into the Kingdom of God had arrived.

John saw God's Spirit rest and remain upon Jesus. With the gift of the Spirit, Jesus would baptize others with that Spirit. As God's dynamic power, the Spirit changed the person and the situation. The Spirit changed Jesus from a private citizen into a public minister. And through his public ministry, Jesus gave the Spirit to others so they could change and become children of God. Since the Spirit led God's initiative in the world, it was directly responsible for Jesus' ministry and the faith it caused.

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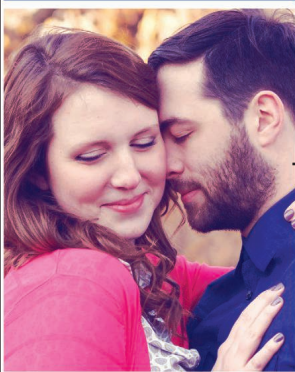
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