

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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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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The Parish Office is closed on

Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 2, 2017**

Epiphany Church is Handicapped Accessible

EPIPHANY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 1

St. Junipero Serra

4:00 pm intentions of Margaret Paine
on her 100th Birthday



Sunday, July 2

8:00 am Our Parishioners
10:00 am Virginia Kelly
12:00 pm Vivian Hirsch
7:30 pm Benvenido Vergara

Monday, July 3

St. Thomas, the Apostle

8:00 am Lev Malisheva
12:10 pm Rose Maldonado



Tuesday, July 4

8:00 am Hector Luis Diaz Jr.
NO 12:10 Mass



Wednesday, July 5

8:00 am Bessie Anderson
12:10 pm Victor Go

Thursday, July 6

St. Maria Goretti

8:00 am Ryan Burton
12:10 pm Virgilio Rasalan



Friday, July 7

8:00 am Dorothy R. Walsh
12:10 pm Thomas Monetti

Saturday, July 8

8:00 am Asuncion Luci Chi

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

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.



July 2 - 8

Our Sanctuary Lamp

will burn in memory of
Bessie Anderson

July 2 - 8

the Bread and Wine

will be offered
in memory of
Bessie Anderson



The Business Office will be closed on

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Tuesday, JULY 4

There will be no 12:10 Mass on Independence Day.



**OUR OBLIGATION TO OUR FAITH
DOESN'T END WHEN SUMMER BEGINS!**

Visit masstimes.org

to locate a church near your vacation destination.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

(most) Tuesday evenings in the church at 7:00 PM

Next prayer gathering: Tuesday, July 11th

What is contemplative prayer? How do we engage in it?
Contemplative prayer is the prayer of the listening heart.



Each person's prayer journey will be personal,
as the Holy Spirit guides us into God's presence.

*"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him."
Psalm 37:7*



Wedding Banns

III Charles Walsh and Elizabeth Urban - July 7



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Online Contributions

May 1 - 31, 2017

\$ 28,719

MASS ATTENDANCE

church capacity: 700

June 24 - 25

MASS	Attendance	% of Capacity
4:00 PM	161	24%
8:00 AM	113	16%
10:00 AM	180	26%
12:00 PM	175	25%
7:30 PM	101	14%

This Week at Epiphany

July 3 - 9

Tuesday - Independence Day! Business office closed
NO 12:10 Mass today

Wednesday - Legion of Mary - 5 PM (rectory)
Wednesday - Baptism Class - 7 PM (narthex)



THIS WEEK IN FINANCE at EPIPHANY

May Income \$ 69,470

May Expenses \$ 67,108



A TREMENDOUS Thank You!!
to the Filipino Committee of Epiphany
for their generous contribution of
\$5,000

for the repair of the rectory elevator.

The members of our Filipino Community enhance
Epiphany parish in so many material ways -
some we can see and many unseen.
Their many contributions help to make Epiphany
a beautiful spiritual community.

PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION!

Epiphany parish ministries:

*Interfaith Safety Lectors
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist*

St. Francis Xavier parish ministries:

Soup Kitchen Clothing Room Mentorship

**Whether you can serve every week, once a month, or
four times a year, you can share your time and talent,
sharing Christ's love in a ministry that works for you.**

Stop by the Welcoming table in the narthex of the church
and sign up for a ministry today after Mass this weekend.

For further information, contact Virginia Hill at
vhspeech@aol.com or 917-612-2649

Fun at the Pearly Gates

A group of people arrive at the Pearly Gates.

"Religion?" St. Peter asks.

"Anglican", comes the reply.

"Right, here's your harp, you're in room 3,
but be quiet as you pass room 11. Next!"

"Religion?"..."Baptist"

"Right, here's your harp, you're in room 16,
but be quiet as you pass room 11. Next!"

"Religion?"..."Islam"

"Right, here's your harp, you're in room 5,
but be quiet as you pass room 11. Next!"

"Religion?"..."Humanist"

"Right, here's your harp, you're in room 7,
but be quiet as you pass room 11. Next!"

The final person tells St. Peter,

"I'm Anglican too, so I'll be in room 3,
but why do we have to be quiet when we pass room 11?"

St. Peter hands her a harp and replies:

"That's where the Catholics are.

They think they're the only ones here."



The 2017 Cardinal's Appeal

Your gift to the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*
enriches our Catholic faith in so many ways.

WEEK 21	# of gifts	GOAL	PLEDGED
2016	348	\$131,000	\$162,525
2017	220	\$126,000	\$139,840

Hooray! We've exceeded the goal set for our parish!

We hope to exceed last year's total
with the help of our generous parishioners!

We are constantly humbled
by the good and giving people of Epiphany Parish.

*For where your treasure is,
there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21*



Ministers of Hospitality WE NEED YOU!!

**Please call the rectory to volunteer.
Thank you!!**

*"Lord! Lord! Open the door for us!
But he said in reply, 'Amen I say to you, I do not know you.'
Matthew 25:11-12*

Make sure your parish knows who you are!

REASONS TO REGISTER YOUR DONATIONS TO EPIPHANY PARISH BY USING PARISH PAY ONLINE OR PARISH ENVELOPES

Would you give a gift to your loved one(s) anonymously?
Of course not!

We ask our parishioners NOT to be anonymous.

If we do not know you, we cannot serve you.

Your identity is important to us.

We never read anonymous letters,
but all letters from registered donors
are read and taken very seriously.

We do not give godparent or other certification letters
to anonymous people.

We need to know who our parishioners are.

Please use ParishPay.com or the envelope system.

Contact the rectory Mon-Fri, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
212-475-1966 or epiphanychurch239@gmail.com

We recommend donating online.

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and create a recurring weekly or monthly contribution in
support of Epiphany parish, your spiritual home.**

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The Young Adult Outreach Program of the
Archdiocese of New York is pleased to announce that Love &
Responsibility NYC is back at the
Immaculate Conception Outdoor Garden (414 E 14 St)
on Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:30 PM

June 13 - August 1 (excluding July 4 & 11)

Weekly Guest Speakers discuss all relationship matters

✱ Music ✱ Refreshments ✱

Week 4 - July 18 - "The Joy to Be"

Week 5 - July 25 - "Men, Women & the Mystery of Love"

Week 6 - August 1 - "It's Complicated: Relationships &
Emotional Virtue"

All events are free of charge - visit: www.catholicnyc.com

Our Lives, Our Fortunes, Our Sacred Honor

(excerpted from an essay by Rush H. Limbaugh Jr.)

What kind of men were the 56 signers who adopted the Declaration of Independence and who, by their signing, committed an act of treason against the crown? Who were they? What happened to them?

These men knew what they risked. The penalty for treason was death by hanging. And remember: a great British fleet was already at anchor in New York Harbor.

- Francis Lewis, New York delegate saw his home plundered and his estates in what is now Harlem, completely destroyed by British soldiers. Mrs. Lewis was captured and treated with great brutality. Though she was later exchanged for two British prisoners through the efforts of Congress, she died from the effects of her abuse.

- William Floyd, another New York delegate, was able to escape with his wife and children across Long Island Sound to Connecticut, where they lived as refugees without income for seven years. When they came home they found a devastated ruin.

- Philips Livingstone had all his great holdings in New York confiscated and his family driven out of their home. Livingstone died in 1778 still working in Congress for the cause.

- Louis Morris, the fourth New York delegate, saw all his timber, crops, and livestock taken. For seven years he was barred from his home and family.

- John Hart of Trenton, New Jersey, risked his life to return home to see his dying wife. Hessian soldiers rode after him, and he escaped in the woods. While his wife lay on her deathbed, the soldiers ruined his farm and wrecked his homestead. Hart, 65, slept in caves and woods as he was hunted across the countryside. When at long last, emaciated by hardship, he was able to sneak home, he found his wife had already been buried, and his 13 children taken away. He never saw them again. He died a broken man in 1779, without ever finding his family.

- Dr. John Witherspoon, signer, was president of the College of New Jersey, later called Princeton. The British occupied the town of Princeton, and billeted troops in the college. They trampled and burned the finest college library in the country.

- Judge Richard Stockton, another New Jersey delegate signer, had rushed back to his estate in an effort to evacuate his wife and children. The family found refuge with friends, but a Tory sympathizer betrayed them. Judge Stockton was pulled from bed in the night and brutally beaten by the arresting soldiers. Thrown into a common jail, he was deliberately starved. Congress finally arranged for Stockton's parole, but his health was ruined. The judge was released as an invalid, when he could no longer harm the British cause. He returned home to find his estate looted and did not live to see the triumph of the revolution. His family was forced to live off charity.

- Robert Morris, merchant prince of Philadelphia, delegate and signer, met Washington's appeals and pleas for money year after year. He made and raised arms and provisions which made it possible for Washington to cross the Delaware at Trenton. In the process he lost 150 ships at sea, bleeding his own fortune and credit almost dry.

- George Clymer, Pennsylvania signer, escaped with his family from their home, but their property was completely destroyed by the British in the Germantown and Brandywine campaigns.

- Dr. Benjamin Rush, also from Pennsylvania, was forced to flee to Maryland. As a heroic surgeon with the army, Rush had several narrow escapes.

- John Martin, a Tory in his views previous to the debate, lived in a strongly loyalist area of Pennsylvania. When he came out for independence, most of his neighbors and even some of his relatives ostracized him. He was a sensitive and troubled man, and many believed this action killed him. When he died in 1777, his last words to his tormentors were: "Tell them that they will live to see the hour when they shall acknowledge it [the signing] to have been the most glorious service that I have ever rendered to my country."

- William Ellery, Rhode Island delegate, saw his property and home burned to the ground.

- Thomas Lynch, Jr., South Carolina delegate, had his health broken from privation and exposures while serving as a company commander in the military. His doctors ordered him to seek a cure in the West Indies and on the voyage he and his young bride were drowned at sea.

- Edward Rutledge, Arthur Middleton, and Thomas Heyward, Jr., the other three South Carolina signers, were taken by the British in the siege of Charleston. They were carried as prisoners of war to St. Augustine, Florida, where they were singled out for indignities. They were exchanged at the end of the war, the British in the meantime having completely devastated their large landholdings and estates.

- Thomas Nelson, signer of Virginia, was at the front in command of the Virginia military forces. With British General Charles Cornwallis in Yorktown, fire from 70 heavy American guns began to destroy Yorktown piece by piece. Lord Cornwallis and his staff moved their headquarters into Nelson's palatial home. While American cannonballs were making a shambles of the town, the house of Governor Nelson remained untouched. Nelson turned in rage to the American gunners and asked, "Why do you spare my home?" They replied, "Sir, out of respect to you." Nelson cried, "Give me the cannon!" and fired on his magnificent home himself, smashing it to bits. But Nelson's sacrifice was not quite over. He had raised \$2 million for the Revolutionary cause by pledging his own estates. When the loans came due, a newer peacetime Congress refused to honor them, and Nelson's property was forfeited. He was never reimbursed. He died, impoverished, a few years later at the age of 50.

Lives, fortunes, honor: Of those 56 who signed the Declaration of Independence, nine died of wounds or hardships during the war. Five were captured and imprisoned, in each case with brutal treatment. Several lost wives, sons or entire families. One lost his 13 children. Two wives were brutally treated. All were at one time or another the victims of manhunts and driven from their homes. Twelve signers had their homes completely burned. Seventeen lost everything they owned. Yet not one defected or went back on his pledged word. Their honor, and the nation they sacrificed so much to create is still intact.

And, finally, there is the New Jersey Signer, Abraham Clark.

He gave two sons to the officer corps in the Revolutionary Army. They were captured and sent to that infamous British prison hulk afloat in New York Harbor known as the hell ship "Jersey," where 11,000 American captives were to die. The younger Clarks were treated with a special brutality because of their father. One was put in solitary and given no food. With the end almost in sight with the war almost won, no one could have blamed Abraham Clark for acceding to the British request when they offered him his sons' lives if he would recant and come out for the King and Parliament. The utter despair in this man's heart, the anguish in his very soul, must reach out to each and every one of us down through 200 years with the answer: "No."

The 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence proved by their every deed that they made no idle boast when they composed the most magnificent curtain line in history.

**"And for the support of this Declaration
with a firm reliance on the protection of divine providence,
we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."**



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