#### **Church Hours:**

Monday through Friday hours:

7:30 am - 9:00 am and 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Saturday hours:

7:30 am - 9:00 am and 2:45 pm - 5:30 pm

Sunday hours:

7:30 am - 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

#### **Celebration of the Eucharist:**

Monday through Friday: 8:00 am and 12:10 pm Saturday: 8:00 am; Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am (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 pm. 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 pm 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 pm

#### **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 pm Mass

#### Parish House (Rectory):

239 East 21st Street, New York, NY 10010-6463 (between Second and Third Avenues)
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and 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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

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#### The Epiphany School:

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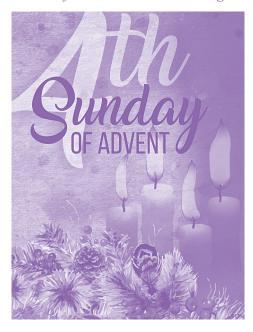
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December 24, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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#### **EPIPHANY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

#### A PLACE OF MERCY AND HOPE, WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOMED, LOVED, AND FORGIVEN

#### **Announced Mass Intentions**

Saturday, December 23

the McGroarty Family 8:00 am 4:00 pm Frank & Elizabeth Matthews

Sunday, December 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am in Thanksgiving & Herminia Tolete-Rotor

10:00 am our Parishioners 12:00 pm Adolph Fasulo

Christmas Vigil Masses

4:00 pm Lina Llacer

8:00 pm Christmas Novena

Monday, December 25 The Nativity of Our Lord

9:00 am Christmas Novena 12:10 pm Christmas Novena

Tuesday, December 26 St. Stephen, the First Martyr NO MASSES TODAY

Wednesday, December 27 St. John, the Apostle & Evangelist

8:00 am Christmas Novena 12:10 pm Elizabeth Y.Y. Chow

Thursday, December 28 Feast of The Holy Innocents

8:00 am Christmas Novena 12:10 pm Yolanda Sipin

Friday, December 29

8:00 am Christmas Novena

12:10 pm Florence Lissmann & Mildred Maney

Saturday, December 30

Christmas Novena 8:00 am 4:00 pm George Memoly Sr.

Sunday, December 31 Feast of the Holy Family

8:00 am Msgr Modugno

deceased family & friends

10:00 am Epiphany School Children & their Teachers

12:00 pm the Intentions of our Parishioners

7:30 pm Mary T. Walsh

Monday, January 1

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:00 am Christmas Novena NO 12:10 MASS TODAY

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



church capacity: 700

Dec 16 - 17 will be reported in Dec 31 bulletin

**Weekly Basket Collection** Dec 9 - 10 will be reported in Dec 24 bulletin

> Dec 9 - 10 Envelope Donations \$ 7,016

average donation: \$23



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.



December 24 - 30 our Sanctuary Lamp

will be offered

for our parishioners who are suffering illness. We pray that they may enjoy a return to good health and know always that God is with them

December 24 - 30 our Bread & Wine will be offered in memory of Lillian & George Conard

Jack Warmbrand & James Lee



"Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and good will, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas."

~ Calvin Coolidge

Tentative Celebrant Schedule		
Dec 23-24	Christmas Vigil	Dec 30-31
4 PM - JM	4 PM - JM	4 PM - AT
8 AM - TM	8 PM - AT	8 AM - JM
10 AM - JM	Christmas Day	10 AM - JM
12 PM - JM	9 AM - AT	12 PM - AT
	12 PM - JM	7:30 PM - AT
AT = Fr. Austin	JM = Fr. Jim	TM = Msgr Modugno

#### CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

Tuesday evenings in the rectory meeting room at 239 E 21 St (near 2nd Av)



**NEXT MEETING: January 9** 

prayer begins at 6:30 PM No meeting on Dec 26 or Jan 2

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





#### This Week at Epiphany - December 23 - December 31

Monday & Tuesday- Business Office Closed (Dec 25 - 26)

Wednesday - OLPH Novena - after 12:10 Mass (CH) Legion of Mary - 5 PM (rectory) (Dec 27)



#### Mass in Celebration of **Epiphany's 150th Anniversary**

Saturday, January 6 at 4:00 PM

Timothy Cardinal Dolan will concelebrate our anniversary Mass with our own Father AustinTitus,

Msgr Thomas Modugno, Father James Mayzik and priest alumni

Msgr Leslie J. Ivers, Msgr Walter Niebrzydowski, Father Arthur Golino

Open Seating Reception following in the Parish Hall

If you plan to attend the Mass and/or reception, kindly complete an RSVP form & place it in the box provided in the narthex. Forms & pencils are available in the narthex.

#### Once in a lifetime!



Epiphany Parish, has begun our year-long celebration of the 150th anniversary of our founding. We have many events planned, not the least of which is a wonderful celebration dinner at the Water Club on January 16, 2018. Tickets are still available to all parishioners and friends of Epiphany at our break even cost of \$195 per person.

We expect the dinner to be a sold-out event, so please be sure to purchase your tickets through the rectory office, or by mailing your payment with the RSVP card that you received in the mail.

Don't miss the fun! Purchase your ticket today! This is a once in a lifetime opportunity and will surely become part of our cherished history.

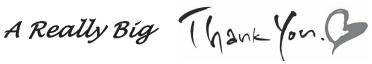
#### **At Christmas Time** our many blessings remind us to be especially thankful

to our parishioners for your generosity throughout the year.



Epiphany Parish lives on because of our parishioners. We are exceedingly grateful for your financial assistance, your volunteering spirit, your willing, "all work & no pay" attitude; but even more essential is your spiritual contribution to the liturgies and special services at Epiphany.

You are the 'sine gua non' of Epiphany parish.



to our dedicated Adult & Youth Choirs as well as many quest musicians for their hard work and gift of music during this Advent and Christmas season. We are grateful to our parishioners who share in the music during our Liturgies and Services, and who support Epiphany's music program all year long.



#### DON'T MISS THE FUN at Family Game Night!! Friday, January 12 at 6:00 pm- 8:30 pm in Msgr Farricker Parish Hall

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#### THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

All the terrible events of world history seem to constitute a grave accusation against God. But when God appears before us, unarmed, with love as his only weapon, all the frightening images of God lose their plausibility. The love of God, which is the glory of God, can be seen only in the crib and on the cross.

~ Pope Benedict XVI



#### Christmas Eve Pageant

Our Children's Christmas Pageant will be presented during the 4:00 family Mass on Christmas Eve.



#### The Epiphany School

is currently accepting applications and holding guided tours for parents interested in enrolling their child for the 2018 / 2019 school year.

Our application process is explained on our website: www.theepiphanyschool.org. For further information about tours and admissions, call 212-473-4128.

## WHAT WILL YOU BRING?

CHRIST GAVE HIMSELF COMPLETELY TO US AT CHRISTMAS.

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE HIM IN RETURN?

A TIP? - OR A HEARTFELT SACRIFICIAL GIFT?

PROVE TO YOURSELF WHERE YOUR FINANCIAL PRIORITIES ARE

BY GIVING THIS CHURCH THE BEST THAT YOU CAN.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN MAKING THIS CHURCH POSSIBLE.



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Masses for Sunday, December 24 8:00 AM \* 10:00 AM \* 12:00 PM

Christmas Eve Vigil Masses (Sunday) 4:00 PM Family Mass with Children's Pageant 8:00 PM with Adult Choir & guest musicians

Christmas Day Masses (Monday) 9:00 AM \* 12:00 PM

Tuesday, December 26: No Masses Church & Rectory Closed



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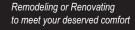
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