

Nativity of St. John the Baptist June 24, 2018

"What, then, will this child be?"

EPIPHANY FEEDS OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS



Pope Francis, on the Poor:

This is why I want a church which is poor and for the poor. They have much to teach us. We need to be evangelized by them."









"The culture of prosperity deadens us; we are thrilled if the market offers us something new to purchase. In the meantime, all those lives stunted for lack of opportunity seem a mere spectacle."

Almost without being aware of it, we end up incapable of feeling compassion at the outcry of the poor, as though this was someone else's responsibility and not our own."



"Seeing their poverty, hearing their cries and knowing their sufferings, we are scandalized because we know there is enough food for everyone..."



EPIPHANY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 23

8:00 am Father's Day Intentions 4:00 pm Aquilina Diomampo

Sunday, June 24

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:00 am intentions of

Philip & Rose Soroka 10:00 am José Arroy

12:00 pm Margarita Feliciano & Lourdes Velasquez

7:30 pm Our Parishioners

Monday, June 25

8:00 am Father's Day Intentions 12:10 pm Benjamin De Vincenzi

Tuesday, June 26

8:00 am deceased members of the Lachman family 12:10 pm Father's Day Intentions

Wednesday, June 27

8:00 am Pat Donnellan 12:10 pm Dorothy R. Walsh

Thursday, June 28 St. Irenaeus

8:00 am Culligan & Orschler families 12:10 pm George Hunter & Al Jones

Friday, June 29

Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

8:00 am Joan Fougner

12:10 pm Father's Day Intentions

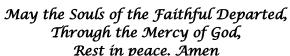
Saturday, June 30

8:00 am Doris King

4:00 pm Paula C. Sherrington

Sunday, July 1

8:00 am Elaine Pravato
10:00 am Rita Browne
12:00 pm Ray E. Stout III
7:30 pm Our Parishioners



Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa

2nd Collection - June 30 - July1

The Church in Africa is growing rapidly, but too often, there are not enough local pastoral resources to support the faith. When you contribute to this special collection, you are helping people across the African continent grow closer to Christ & to His Church.

With your help, the Catholic youth of Africa will become new messengers of the Gospel and a powerful force for good

| Mass | June 16-17 | capacity |
|----------|------------|----------|
| 4:00 PM | 189 | 27% |
| 8:00 AM | 120 | 17% |
| 10:00 AM | 298 | 43% |
| 12:00 PM | 177 | 25% |
| 7:30 PM | 117 | 17% |
| total | 901 | 26% |

MASS ATTENDANCE

(church capacity: 700)

Sunday Basket Collection



June 16 - 17: \$ 6,173

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.



June 24 - 30
our **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn
in memory of
Joan, Robert & Nathaniel Fougner

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)

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

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Rev. James Mayzik, S.J., *Parochial Vicar*Rev. Msgr. Thomas A. Modugno *In Residence*Mrs. Kate McHugh, *Principal, The Epiphany School*Mrs. Kathleen Crimmins, *Director of Religious Education*Dr. Justin Bischof, *Director of Music Ministries & Organist*

For information about Sacraments, please call the rectory office.

| Tentative Celebrant Schedule | | | |
|------------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| June 23-24 | June 30-July 1 | | |
| 4 PM - JM | 4 PM - AT | | |
| 8 AM - TM | 8 AM - TM | | |
| 10 AM - JM | 10 AM - JM | | |
| 12 PM - JM | 12 PM - JM | | |
| 7:30 PM - AT | 7:30 PM - AT | | |
| AT = Fr. Titus | JM = Fr. Jim | | |
| TM = Msgr Modugno | | | |

This Week at Epiphany - June 24 - July 2

Sunday - Baptisms - 1:15 pm (CH) (June 24)

Tuesday - 22 Club - 12:00 pm (PH) - last meeting of the year Contemplative Prayer - 6:15 pm (NX)

Wednesday - OLPH Novena - after 12:10 Mass (CH)

Legion of Mary - 5 pm (rectory) (June 27)

Thursday - The Song Project - 7 pm (NX) (June 28)

Saturday - ASK Information for Seniors - 3:30 pm (NX)

(June 30) OLPH Mass - 5:30 pm (CH)

OLPH dinner - after Mass & procession (PH)

Sunday - Baptisms - 1:15 pm (CH)

(July 1) ASK Information for Seniors - 8:00 am (NX)

ASK reception - 1:00 pm (PH)



The Feast of Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Saturday, June 30 Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 PM in the church followed by

& Novena & Praying of the Rosary & Procession & Join your neighbors & friends at a reception following in the parish hall with a special program, raffles & an enjoyable evening for all.

Come to the Feast!



ASK!

Are you a senior parishioner looking for information or help? Please come visit us at ASK!

A free information and advocacy service for seniors. Seniors are invited to join us in the church narthex on June 30 - July 1 after all Masses (except 7:30 PM).

> Join us at our tables & enjoy some **FREE** home-made treats.

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BIRTH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST







ON THE MONEY

Our HVAC maintenance contract is up for renewal

\$8,000.00

The 2018 Cardinal's Appeal

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

| WEEK 20 | # of gifts | GOAL | PLEDGED |
|---------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 2017 | 215 | \$126,000 | \$137,890 |
| 2018 | 170 | \$135,000 | \$ 114,450 |

We are grateful to everyone who has pledged already, though we are struggling this year to bring our totals up to the level in the same week in the 2017 Appeal, especially since the campaign got a late kick-off this year.

"Well begun is half done." ~ Aristotle & Mary Poppins We humbly ask our parishioners to give prayerful consideration to making a pledge to the Appeal.

Church of the Epiphany is recognized for our Scouting Program

Since 1956, Epiphany parish has proudly supported Scouting programs for the youth in our community. Our Boy Scout Troop 422 runs a Thursday night program with 40+ boys. On Wednesday, our Cub Scout pack 422 keeps busy with over 100 active Cub Scouts.



New York Councils Boy Scouts of America

recognized our church as a distinguished BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA charter organization. Fr. Austin joined our long-time Cubmaster, Maureen Riley, and

reception at the Yale Club, the Manhattan

Council Big Apple District of the Greater

On June 5th, at their annual awards

Asst. Cubmaster, Kim Salvo, celebrating the volunteers of the Scouting program in Manhattan.

We are proud of our Scouts, who show their faith, do their best, and are always prepared.



CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER UPCOMING MEETING June 26th at 6:15 PM IN THE CHURCH

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

Remember Epiphany Parish in your will.

If you would like to speak to a gift planning specialist about how to include Epiphany in your will or living trust, call: 646-794-3317 or e-mail: plannedgiving@archny.org.

Love & Responsibility in NYC

The Young Adult Outreach Program of the ADNY Announcing: Love & Responsibility NYC is back at the Immaculate Conception Outdoor Garden (414 E 14 St) Tues 7:30 - 9:30 PM - June 19 - July 31 (excluding July 3)

Weekly Guest Speakers discuss all relationship matters ∗ Live Music ∗ Refreshments ∗

Week 2 - June 26 - Emily Stimpson-Champman

Music by His Own

Week 3 - July 10 -Matt Fradd

Music by Alverlis Week 4 - July 17 - Christopher West

Music by Mike Mangione

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

God Means What He Says

Sometimes God has to take drastic action to get our attention. Before John the Baptist was born, his father, Zechariah, was visited by an angel and was told that his prayers for a son would be answered in a miraculous way. The angel also said Zechariah's son would prepare Israel for the long-awaited Savior. The angel told Zechariah that he would name his son John.

One might think that the appearance of an angel should have been enough to convince Zechariah of the truth of the message, but he was not listening with all his heart, so God shut Zechariah's mouth to make it easier for him to hear and see the truth. When the baby was born, Zechariah obeyed the angel and named the child John. And immediately, his mouth was opened. Zechariah's first words offered praise to God and he told the people around him of God's faithfulness and awesome love. He reminded us that we can always trust in God's love and care.

Be still and listen for God's voice.

In God, all things are possible.

Why go to Church?

If you're spiritually alive, you're going to love this!
If you're spiritually dead, you won't want to read it.
If you're spiritually 'curious', there is still hope!

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made 'no sense' to go to church every Sunday.

He wrote: "I've gone for 30 years now, and in that time, I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time, the preachers and priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all."

This started a real controversy in the Letters to the Editor.

Much to the 'delight' of the editor, it went on <u>for</u> <u>weeks</u> until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals."

"But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today".

"Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

Thank God for our physical and spiritual nourishment!

When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something!

Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible!

IF YOU CANNOT SEE GOD IN 'ALL', YOU CANNOT SEE GOD AT ALL!

B. I. B L. E. simply means:

Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth!



UPCOMING EVENTS Spiritual Direction Information Meeting June 24th after 12 Noon Mass

Coming in July and August

BREAKING OPEN THE SCRIPTURES

A weekly meeting of parishioners interested in preparing for the next Sunday's scripture readings

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YOUNG ADULTS RECEPTION

Next bi-weekly meeting
July 1st after 7:30 PM Mass



THE SONG PROJECT

Our weekly Thursday evening community chorus will be on hiatus for several weeks. It will resume on Thursday, July 12th, at 7pm in the narthex of the church.

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