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First Sunday of Advent (C)

December 2, 2018

Reading 1003 in our WORSHIP HYMNAL

“I will raise up for David a just shoot.”

**Something is
trying to be
born.**

“The lack of mystery in our modern life is our downfall and our poverty. A human life is worth as much as the respect it holds for the mystery. We retain the child in us to the extent that we honor the mystery. Therefore, children have open, wide-awake eyes, because they know that they are surrounded by the mystery. They are not yet finished with this world; they still don't know how to struggle along and avoid the mystery, as we do. We destroy the mystery because we sense that here we reach the boundary of our being, because we want to be lord over everything and have it at our disposal, and that's just what we cannot do with the mystery.... Living without mystery means knowing nothing of the mystery of our own life, nothing of the mystery of another person, nothing of the mystery of the world; it means passing over our own hidden qualities and those of others and the world. It means remaining on the surface, taking the world seriously only to the extent that it can be calculated and exploited, and not going beyond the world of calculation and exploitation. Living without mystery means not seeing the crucial processes of life at all and even denying them.”

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer

EPIPHANY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

Announced Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 1

8:00 am Francis Sultana
4:00 pm deceased members of the O'Brien family

Sunday, December 2

First Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Francis Sultana
10:00 am Mary Ann Amyot
12:00 pm Carmine Esposito
7:30 pm Paul Wellner



Monday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier

8:00 am intentions of Rafael Lee
12:10 pm Hector Luis Diaz Jr.



Tuesday, December 4

8:00 am Mary J. Vercesi
12:10 pm Joseph Torre

Wednesday, December 5

8:00 am Dorothy R. Walsh
12:10 pm Jerry Dwyer

Thursday, December 6

8:00 am Brown Family, living & deceased
12:10 pm Charles Rios



Friday, December 7

St. Ambrose

8:00 am Thanksgiving
9:00 am School Mass (all are welcome)
12:10 pm Mary Albanese
5:30 pm Richard Maney
(vigil for Immaculate Conception)



Saturday, December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

8:00 am Denise Sweeney
4:00 pm Domenica & Anthony Maruffi

Sunday, December 9

Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Thanksgiving
10:00 am Margaret & Peter Cameron
12:00 pm Julia M. Foody
7:30 pm Alberta Gill



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

Rev. Austin Titus, Pastor

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
Mr. John D. Coen, Director of Music

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.



December 2 - 8
our **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn
in memory of **René Florcruz**
our **Bread & Wine** will be offered
in memory of **Carmine Esposito**



Advent Candle Dedication

Lillian &
George Conard,
Jack Warmbrand
& James Lee

ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY

December 17
4 PM to 8 PM



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)

Parish House (Rectory):

239 East 21st Street, New York, NY 10010-6463

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm & 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

The Parish Office is closed on

Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

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**For information about Sacraments,
please call the rectory office.**

MASS ATTENDANCE

(church capacity: 700)

Mass	Nov 17 - 18	capacity	Nov 24 - 25	capacity
4:00 PM	192	27%	168	24%
8:00 AM	105	14%	121	17%
10:00 AM	345	42%	235	34%
12:00 PM	256	32%	199	28%
7:30 PM	172	23%	124	18%
total	1070	27%	847	24%

Sunday Basket Collection

Nov 17 - 18
\$ 5,676.

Nov 24 - 25
\$ 4,841.



Please let us know if
you have family or
friends whose names
you would like to
add to our parish
prayer list.

Call the
Parish Office at
212-475-1966

Tentative Celebrant Schedule

Dec 1 - 2	Dec 8 - 9
4 PM - JM	4 PM - AT
8 AM - TM	8 AM - TM
10 AM - JM	10 AM - AT
12 PM - JM	12 PM - AT
7:30 PM - AT	7:30 PM - JM
AT = Fr. Titus	JM = Fr. Jim
TM = Msgr Modugno	

Schedule of events at Epiphany - Dec 1 - Dec 9

Saturday - Rosary with Ladies of Charity - 3:00 9m (CH)
(Dec 1) Christmas Fundraisers - 3:30 pm (NX)

Sunday - Christmas Fundraisers - 7:30 am (NX)
(Dec 2) EFA Breakfast with Santa - 11 AM (PH)
Baptisms - 1:15 pm (CH)
Young Adult reception - 8:30 pm (NX)

Monday - Baptism instruction - 7:00 pm (NX)
(Dec 3)

Tuesday - EFA meeting - 9:00 am (PH)
(Dec 4) 22 Club Senior Gathering - 12:00 pm (PH)
CCD Confirmation Class - 4:30 pm (Library)
Contemplative Prayer - 6:15 pm (rectory)
Advent Program - 7:00 pm (CH)

Wednesday - OLPH novena - after 12:10 Mass (CH)
(Dec 5) CCD for non-hearing children (PH)
CCD (grades 1-6) - 3:00 pm (PH)
Youth Choir rehearsal - 3:30 pm (CH)
Legion of Mary - 5:00 pm (rectory)
Cub Scouts - 5:30 pm (PH)
Adult Choir rehearsal - 6:00 pm (CH)

Thursday - Boy Scouts - 6:30 pm (PH)
(Dec 6) Song Project - 7:00 pm (NX)

Sunday - Young Adult Mass & dinner - 6:00 pm (PH)
(Dec 9)



CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER UPCOMING MEETING

Tues, Dec 4 & 18 at 6:15 PM IN THE RECTORY
*"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him."
Psalm 37:7*

MAKE A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS BRIGHTER!

Sunday, December 9



Help Cub Scout Pack 422 perform a good deed
as they sponsor a **Christmas Toy Drive**.

Bring unwrapped toys and gift cards
to Epiphany church

after the 8:00, 10:00 & 12:00 Masses.

*(If you can't come on Sunday, please drop off your gifts
at the rectory by Tues, Dec 11)*

Help us "wrap up" some smiles this Christmas!



Adopt a Family for Christmas

(or just one or two people)

Help Santa bring Christmas to everyone!

For more information: contact Virginia Urban
virginiaurban@yahoo.com or 212-217-3044

Drop-off date: Mon, December 17@ 3:00 - 7:00 PM

at the Epiphany Main Campus - 237 E 22 St

(Please do not leave your gift in the narthex!)



The Christmas Giving Tree Collection weekend is December 1-2.

Please return your **unwrapped** item(s) to the narthex.



THE EPIPHANY SCHOOL

Join us for
touring & application season!

Toddler Twos Program through Grade 8
For information and touring schedules, visit our website:
www.theephanyschool.org or call 212-473-4128

SPIRITUALITY AND THE ARTS

An Advent Program

Finding God in Movement
Omega Dance Company
December 4th

The Poetic Voice of the Soul
Nancy Sondag
December 11th

7pm Epiphany Church

All are welcome.

Our wonderful Thanksgiving for the homeless.



2ND COLLECTION - NEXT WEEK DECEMBER 8 - 9

The brothers & sisters who were the roots that established
Catholic schools, hospitals, and social service agencies are now
living in retirement, often on small stipends,
struggling to support themselves in their senior years.

Please join us in supporting the people
who supported us during their working years.

As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.



**Retirement Fund
for Religious**



YOUNG ADULTS RECEPTION

Upcoming bi-weekly meetings
December 2
after 7:30 PM Sunday Mass

OUR SEASON OF THANKSGIVING CONTINUES!

Thanks to all our parishioners, friends & neighbors who made our neighborhood Thanksgiving dinner such a success!
"No one has ever become poor by giving." - Anne Frank

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

**December 15 -16 after all Masses
in the narthex of the church**

Suggested food items & other necessities
jam + mayo + relish + tuna + cookies
brown lunch bags + plastic sandwich bags
+ plastic spoons +
small water bottles + small juices
+ men's white socks +

Perishable items: eggs + ham + turkey
Perishables should be brought to church
ONLY on Saturday & Sunday, December 15-16.
Please do not leave these items during the week.

SPIRITUAL READING GROUPS

As part of Epiphany ReNEW, we wish to foster more Fellowship & to open our lives to the Holy Spirit.

We invite our parishioners and friends to join spiritual reading groups.

If you would like to participate - or even coordinate - a spiritual reading group, we would love to hear from you!

Please e-mail Debbie Keogh @ debbiej.keogh@gmail.com or Helen Orzuchowski at toabetterlife77@yahoo.com.

Join us for an informational meeting on Sun, December 2, in the Narthex after the 12 pm Mass.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AT EPIPHANY

Our team of Spiritual Directors is available to help all who seek a deeper relationship with God and a meaningful prayer life.

Contact spiritualdirectionepiphany@gmail.com.
or call the rectory at 212-475-1966

THE SONG PROJECT

Join our community chorus
on Thursdays at 7pm
in the narthex of the church
"Where words fail,
music speaks."

Join us in preparing
**SANDWICHES &
BLESSING BAGS
FOR THE HOMELESS**
Sunday, December 23
after the 12 noon Mass
in the narthex of the church

CHRISTMAS TREES OF LOVE

Celebrate Advent & Christmas with the purchase & dedication of a 5' lighted Christmas tree in memory of or in gratitude to a loved one.

Our trees will light up our plaza as a welcoming embrace
to all our brothers & sisters who pass our church.

Please consider purchasing a tree and volunteering to help set up our
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS OF LOVE!

Sign up in the narthex of the church with your name & contact details.
Include the dedication which will be displayed with your tree.

Payment of \$150 is due by December 2.

For more information, please contact Fr. Jim Mayzik SJ at
jmayzik@gmail.com or speak to him any time before or after Mass.

JOIN US IN RENEWING EPIPHANY!

Fellowship & Outreach

Young Adult Receptions	Food Drive	Sandwiches & Blessing Bags
2018	2018	2018
Dec 2, 16, 30	Dec 16	Dec 23
2019	2019	2019
Jan 13, 27	Jan 20	Jan 27
Feb 10, 24	Feb 17	Feb 24
Mar 10, 24	Mar 17	Mar 24
Apr 7, 21	Apr 14	Apr 28
May 5, 19	May 19	May 26



Christmas Fundraisers

PULPIT APPEAL SUNDAYS

Dec 1-2	EFA Car Raffle Tickets
Dec 8-9	Cub Scout Toy Drive
Dec 15-16	8 th Grade Poinsettia Sale

Our New Hymnals

We hope you are enjoying our new
Worship IV Hymnal & Missal!

For a donation of \$50, you may dedicate a hymnal
to a loved one, living or deceased, or for your own
intentions.

In recognition of the dedication, a special notation
will be included in the hymnal.

Forms are available in the back of the church or in the rectory.

The dedicated hymnals will be retained in the church for the use of
our parishioners.



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