

EPIPHANY



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"Remove the
wooden
beam from
your
eye
first..."

THE
EIGHTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

February 27th, 2022

WELCOME to Epiphany

Jesus challenges his followers to rise above their human tendencies

to judge others and recognize the truth of the spirit: that God calls us to see each other as children of God made in His image. Is your neighbor who spends Sunday morning sleeping in instead of attending church worthy of being judged by you? What about the homeless person you pass on the street, the opposing political party, the teenager who gets pregnant? There are so many examples of failures in our world which our human nature so easily judges.

But Jesus says when we are critical of others we are, in fact, ugly. The act of judging inherently strips another of their humanity. It removes the beautiful gift that a person has to act, think, and define themselves, and it substitutes a prefabricated identity in its place.

What's the opposite of judging? Understanding. When we humbly seek to understand another person, we acknowledge their experiences, their beliefs, and the pains and joys that make them who they are. When we seek to understand another person, we recognize our shared humanity. One of our heroes is Father Gregory Boyle, a Jesuit priest who works alongside current and former gang members in Los Angeles. He challenges people to seek "a compassion that can stand in awe at what [people] have to carry rather than stand in judgment at how they carry it."

Profiles In Stewardship

As we renew the call to Epiphany parishioners to be good stewards of their time, we recognize that, through the years, our parish has been blessed to have many parishioners who have answered that same call to service. In upcoming weeks, we will be shining a spotlight on certain of those disciples who have dedicated much of their time to Epiphany and its mission. The parish is fortunate to have many such parishioners and we are very grateful for them. We will begin with some of those who have given generously of their time for over two decades and been exceptionally active in multiple ministries throughout those years. As parishioners, we have all benefited from their efforts and continue to be inspired by their example. Today we shine the spotlight on:

Tom Lewis

has been a parishioner of Epiphany since 1996, when he completed the RCIA program with beloved Sr. Doris. Over the years, he has been an active member of the Epiphany community, responding to needs of the parish through its various ministries and programs. Together with Joe Torre, Tom was very involved in the restoration of the current altar server program and has been active with the Events Committee. He has also served as a Eucharistic Minister. Tom's special ministry, though, has been his floral support of the parish, particularly on the altar on Christmas and Easter and through the delivery of flowers to our hospitalized parishioners, reminding them that they remain in the prayers of our community. Regardless of the activity though, for Tom, all things flow from the simple mandate that "we all do our part to serve God."

**A longtime resident
of the neighborhood...**

Della Fraizer Rios

first came to Epiphany twenty years ago when she was looking to join a new parish. She soon realized that Epiphany was the place for her. The then pastor, Monsignor Walter, along with Fr. Nixon, immediately made her feel welcome and very much "at home". It didn't take long for Della to become part of the fabric of the parish. Very much a proponent of Divine Renovation, which emphasizes the missionary identity of a parish, she has been a Eucharistic Minister, bringing Communion to some of our homebound neighbors and a member of the Ladies of Charity. Together with Gloria Gannon, Ann Priolo and Therese Meany, Della was instrumental in forming the Parishioner Helping parishioners program, a group dedicated to helping some of our neighbors in need of assistance with their daily tasks. She is currently a member of the Pastoral Council and, during these Covid times, has been part of the Hospitality Ministry team, an unsung group that, for the past eighteen months, has cleaned the church and done the work so that their fellow parishioners have been able to come back to safely worship together.



@EPIPHANY

THIS WEEK

FEBRUARY 27TH-MARCH 6TH, 2022

Sunday
February
27

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time C

11am Family Mass/Food Drive
Begotten By God 6pm (Parish Hall)
7:30pm Young Adults Mass

Monday
28

22 Club 11am-1pm
12:10pm Mass
Miraculous Medal Novena
The Chosen, 6:30pm, Parish Hall

Tuesday
March
1

22 Club CANCELED (moved to Monday Feb 27)
12:10pm Mass
Mardi Gras 7pm (Parish Hall)

Wednesday
2

Ash Wednesday
12:10pm Mass
Ashes after 12:10 Mass; 3:30pm; and 5:30pm
Lectio Divina 7pm (Church)
Breaking Open the Word (ZOOM) 7pm

Thursday
3

12:10pm Mass
Young Adults Alpha 7PM (Parish Hall)

Friday
4

12:10pm Mass
Pocket Prayer Shawl 2pm
Sant Egidio Prayer 6:30pm (Church)

Saturday
5

4pm Vigil Mass

Sunday
6

First Sunday of Lent

11am Family Mass
7:30pm Young Adults Mass

Featured Events

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LENT @ Epiphany

Ash Wednesday Ashes distributed 12:10 Mass
3:30 & 5:30 Prayer Services

MONDAYS 7PM An Epiphany on Climate Change
THURSDAYS 7PM Lectio Divina Prayer
FRIDAYS after 12:10 Mass Stations of the Cross

An
EPIPHANY on
**Climate
Change**

We are the custodians of all God's creations...

Join us for Six Mondays in Lent as we:

- Learn about our impact on God's creations.
- Explore our responsibilities as stewards and our kinship with all of creation.
- Make practical plans for our personal and parish conversion.

PARISH HALL 7pm
March 7,14,21,28 April 4,11

Guided by the Encyclical of Pope Francis
LAUDATO SI'

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Ash Wednesday - March 2

Ashes will be distributed
at the 12:10 pm Mass
and at Prayer Services
3:30 pm & 5:30 pm

BASKET COLLECTION

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Peggy O'Dea
February 27 - March 5

COVID PROCEDURES AT EPIPHANY

The Archdiocese of New York has informed us that mask requirements in church are lifted for everyone; those who wish to continue to wear a mask may do so at their discretion. At this time we are instructed to refrain from offering the Precious Blood, and to offer the Body of Christ in the hand only. Thank you for your understanding as we continue to keep everyone safe from the Covid virus.

MASSES

Monday-Friday 12:10pm

Saturday Vigil: 4pm

Sunday 11am & 7:30pm

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 26

4:00pm Giuseppe Astorina

Sunday, February 27 Eighth Sunday C

11:00am Hattie M. Maddox

7:30pm Joann Evans

Monday, February 28

12:10pm Santiago Vasquez Sr,

Tuesday, March 1

12:10pm Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, March 2 Ash Wednesday

12:10pm Peggy O'Dea

3:30pm Prayer Service - ashes distributed

5:30pm Prayer Service - ashes distributed

Thursday, March 3

12:10pm Jovina Diaz

Friday, March 4

12:10pm Ramón Santo Domingo

Saturday, March 5

4:00pm Rita & George Fredericks

Sunday, March 6 First Sunday of Lent C

11:00am John T. Rafferty

7:30pm Everette, Marjorie & Paul Meadows

Monday, March 7

12:10pm Eleanore L. McGroarty

Tuesday, March 8

12:10pm Teddy Moore & Msgr. Thomas Modugno

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faithful departed, rest in peace.**

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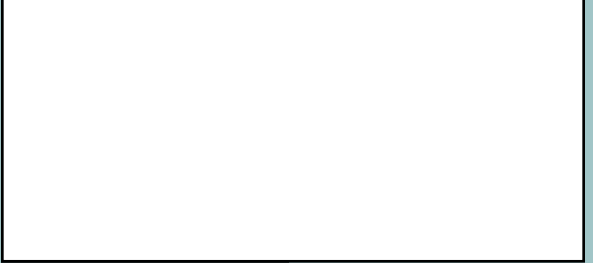
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