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THE  
**FIRST**  
**SUNDAY**  
**OF LENT**

**"YOU SHALL NOT  
PUT THE LORD,  
YOUR GOD  
TO THE TEST"**

**EPHAPHANY**

March 6th, 2022

# WELCOME to Epiphany

In many cultures there is an ancient custom of giving a tenth of each year's income to some holy use. For Christians, to observe the forty days of Lent is to do the same thing with roughly a tenth of each year's days. After being baptized by John in the river Jordan, Jesus went off alone into the wilderness, where he spent forty days asking himself the question what it meant to be Jesus. During Lent, Christians are supposed to ask one way or another what it means to be themselves.

If you had to bet everything you have on whether there is a God or whether there isn't, which side would get your money and why?

When you look at your face in the mirror, what do you see in it that you most like and what do you see in it that you most deplore?

If you had only one last message to leave to the handful of people who are most important to you, what would it be in twenty-five words or less?

Of all the things you have done in your life, which is the one you would most like to undo? Which is the one that makes you happiest to remember?

Is there any person in the world or any cause that, if circumstances called for it, you would be willing to die for?

If this were the last day of your life, what would you do with it?

To hear yourself try to answer questions like these is to begin to hear something not only of who you are, but of both what you are becoming and what you are failing to become. It can be a pretty depressing business all in all, but if sackcloth and ashes are at the start of it, something like Easter may be at the end.



# 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:

## Carol Wheeler

Carol Wheeler has been an Epiphany parishioner since 1975. Her first involvement with parish related activities was in the early '80s through the school, which her and her husband Tom's three children attended. Carol was involved in various parent activities and also taught a C.C.D. class during those years. Eventually Carol became (and continues today as) a lector and Eucharistic minister, bringing Communion to some of our home bound neighbors. She is also active in the Interfaith Ministry, the Pocket Shawl Prayer Ministry and the Parish Prayer Corps. Making prayer shawls has been a particular source of joy for Carol during Covid times, as it is a very tangible way to continue to provide love and prayers to the recipients of these shawls and remind them that they are not alone, even during these "remote" time. When asked how she has come to be involved in so many ministries, Carol's response was simple - "someone asked [her] to join."



## Cara Lynn O'Brien

Cara Lynn O'Brien has been an active Epiphany parishioner for over twenty years. To her, "it just doesn't get better than helping your neighbors." She is very active with the Scouts and particularly enjoys coordinating their service projects, from food drives to park clean ups. Cara Lynn has long been a volunteer in all manner of activities at The Epiphany School, coordinating school-wide events for students and their families. She views this work as essential to building a sense of community around our school. She also enjoys participating in the monthly sandwich outreach with the Epiphany Social Justice Ministry and looks forward to resuming her work with the Hospitality Ministry as we emerge from the COVID-19 period. Her favorite ministry activities, though, are those that revolve around the Christmas season. To Cara Lynn, there is something special about celebrating the birth of Jesus through service to others. The Adopt a Family program, organizing and assisting on numerous toy drives, and decorating our church and plaza are just some of the channels of service for her during the holiday season. To Cara Lynn, being a person for others is always a good experience and leaves her extremely grateful for having the opportunity to do so.



# @EPIPHANY

## MARCH 6-13

THIS WEEK



### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

11am Family Mass  
7:30pm Young Adults Mass



12:10pm Mass  
Miraculous Medal Novena  
Laudato Sí (An Epiphany on Climate Change)  
7pm Parish Hall



22 Club 11am-2pm  
12:10pm Mass  
Prayer Corps (ZOOM) 2:30pm



12:10pm Mass  
Our Lady of Perpetual  
Help Novena 12:40 (church)  
Breaking Open the Word (ZOOM) 7pm



12:10pm Mass  
Lenten Contemplation  
after 12:10 Mass (church)



12:30pm Stations of The Cross  
Pocket Prayer Shawl 2pm  
Sant Egidio Prayer 6:30pm (church)



4pm Vigil Mass



### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

11am Family Mass  
3:00pm St. Patrick's Day Concert  
Begotten by God 6pm (parish hall)  
7:30pm Young Adults Mass



# Lent

## @ Epiphany

### **An Epiphany on Climate Change**

Exploring Pope Francis' Laudato Si and a Theology of Creation

Dinner, Prayers, Discussion, Mondays 7pm, Parish Hall

### **Praise and Worship Nights**

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament with music and prayer

Tuesdays March 15th and April 5th at 7pm in church

### **Lectio Divina**

Praying with Scripture before Tabernacle, Thursdays 7pm

### **Stations of the Cross**

Fridays, After 12:10 Mass

### **Requiem Mass**

Memorial Mass for deceased parishioners in 2021

Saturday March 26th at 12 Noon

### **Reconciliation Monday**

Monday April 11th 2-4pm and 6-9pm

# Church of the Epiphany

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February 26-27th

**\$2,609**

## 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 Corona virus.

## MASSES

**Monday-Friday 12:10pm**

**Saturday Vigil:4pm**

**Sunday 11am & 7:30pm**

## THIS WEEK'S

### ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

#### **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

#### **Wednesday, March 9**

12:10pm George Memoly Jr.

#### **Thursday, March 10**

12:10pm Linda & Tony Luciere

#### **Friday, March 11**

12:10pm Bernadette McCarroll

#### **Saturday, March 12**

4:00pm Maureen O'Connell

#### **Sunday, March 13 Second Sunday of Lent**

11:00am Perpetua Villano

7:30pm Peter, Elizabeth, Augustine, Paul & Joseph Naidu

#### **Monday, March 14**

12:10pm Jerry & Adeline Martire

#### **Tuesday, March 15**

12:10pm The Brown Family,  
living & deceased

***May their souls and the souls of all the  
faithful departed, rest in peace.***

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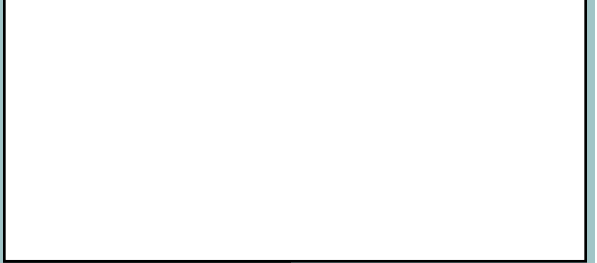
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