

WELCOME to Epiphany Easter from West to East

When Christianity split into East and West in 1054, two different theologies about Easter emerged.Western art often shows Jesus walking alone out of the tomb carrying a white flag, as if to say, "Look at me! I made it!" Western theology declared "Jesus rose from the dead" as an individual, as in this image of the resurrection from Andrea Mantegna (1457).

In Eastern images of the resurrection, sometimes called "The Harrowing of Hell," Jesus is surrounded by many people as he stands astride the pit of hell (as shown by this image from a medieval Byzantine church). Jesus pulls Adam and Eve-symbols of all humanity—out of hell. This is a very different message than from the Western church. **Eastern** imagery suggests a hopeful message that is not only about Jesus but about society, humanity, and history itself. Christ is not just pulling Adam and Eve out of hell. He's pulling creation out of hell. Christ destroys death. That's what we are celebrating today.

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RESURREXIT! RESURREXIT! RESURREXIT! EPIPHANA RESURREXIT! RESURREXIT! RESURREXIT! For centuries in mountain monasteries, the monks would begin a new day with one word, calling out from their beds when

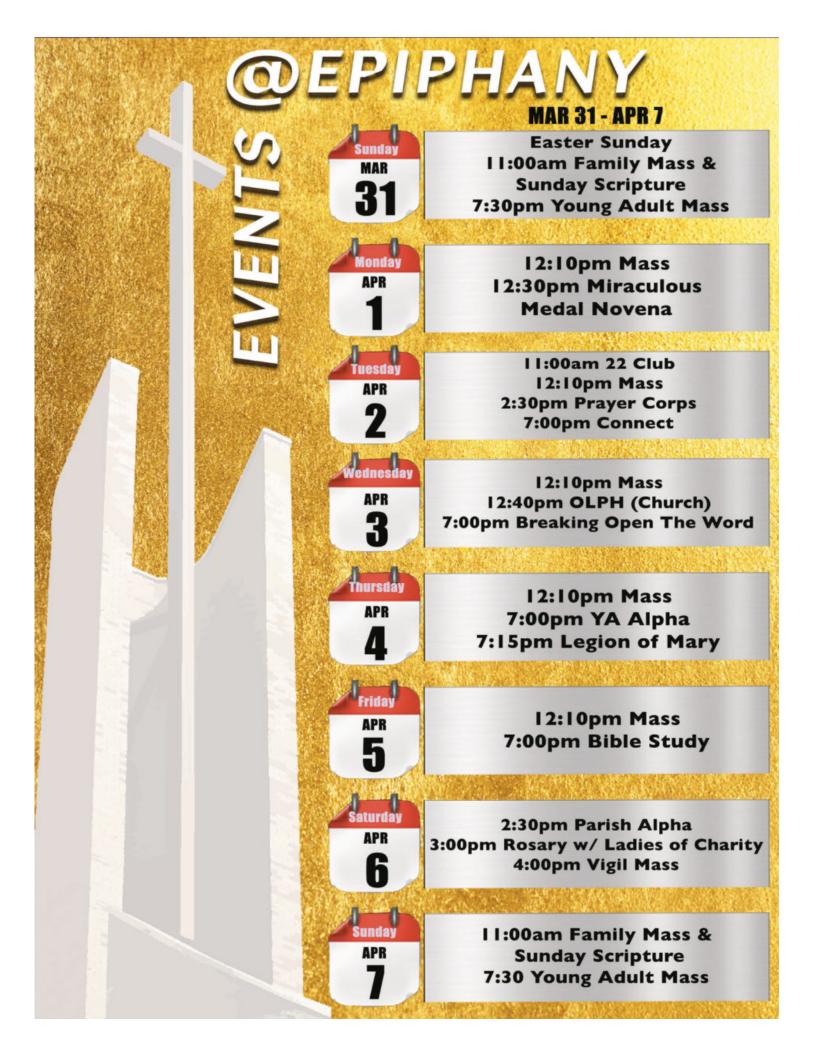
At Epiphany this Easter, we are in the midst of our mid-morning awakening into our Divine Renovation—a process by which our church is being transformed into a family of missionary disciples, sent out from Sunday Mass each week to bring God's love to our family, co-workers, friends, neighbors and strangers.

calling out from their beds when they awakened: 'resurrexit', 'he awakens', 'he's awake', to let the community know they were up and ready for another day. It reminds us all that resurrexit is something we do every day. We awaken, we get up, we are blessed with being the face of Love those to we meet today...there to weep with one another as Jesus did, there to rejoice with one another for our many gifts.

We have so much more to do, and as we bask in the glow of our own Easter Resurrection, we recognize that the Holy Spirit is inviting each one of us to risk our love to an even greater degree, certain in our belief that we are meant to be disciples who are entrusted to help bring the promised

HAPPY EASTER TO EACH ONE OF YOU!

FROM OUR PASTORAL COUNCIL, SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM, MINISTRY LEADERS, AND PASTORAL STAFF AND PRIESTS.



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Easter Novena of Masses

Beginning on Easter and continuing through Ascension Thursday, every Mass will include a special prayer for the special intentions listed on our Easter Novena envelopes, which are on the table at the back of the church. Please complete the envelope and place it in the collection basket or give it to a minister or priest.

Easter Giving

What should I give to God at Easter? Truly, all that we have, we owe to Christ, who spared nothing of himself on Calvary. During the Easter season, we build our commitment to God by placing of our treasure where your hearts need to be. Give Him your heart by supporting Christ's Bride, the Church, with a generous donation. Your Easter & Christmas giving provides vital support for our parish.

Thank you for your heartfelt generosity.

If your 2023 Tax Deductions exceed \$13,850 (single), \$27,700 (married), or \$20,800 for heads of household. and they include church donations, you must obtain a report from Epiphany before filing your 2023 tax return. To take any of these deductions, please call the parish office to request a statement of donations. MASSES Monday-Friday 12:10pm Saturday Vigil: 4pm Sunday 11am & 7:30pm

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 30 Holy Saturday 8:00pm SOLEMN MASS OF THE EASTER VIGIL

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday 11:00am Ines Graham 7:30pm Grace Pernice Scott Monday, April 1

12:10pm Ines Graham

Tuesday, April 2 12:10pm Diane Ehrbar Novellino Wednesday, April 3 12:10pm C. Patrick Wagner

Thursday, April 4 12:10pm Celso & Raul Diomampo

Friday, April 5 12:10pm Joseph Walsh Saturday, April 6 4:00pm Dorothy & Frank Callahan

Sunday, April 7 11:00am John Huegel & Maureen Donovan 7:30pm Ann Ahern Monday, April 8 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord 12:10pm the Martire family Tuesday, April 9 12:10pm Mr. & Mrs. William Frazier

Alter Breed & Wine Mar 31 - Apr 6 Lillian & George Conard Jack Warmbrand & James Lee

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



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