

# EPIPHANY



June 18, 2023

“Go to the lost sheep of the  
house of Israel.”

Eleventh  
Sunday of  
Ordinary Time

# WELCOME to Epiphany



The first ministers were the twelve disciples. There is no evidence that Jesus chose them because they were brighter or nicer than other people. In fact the New Testament record suggests that they were continually missing the point, jockeying for position, and, when the chips were down, interested in nothing so much as saving their own skins. Their sole qualification seems to have been their initial willingness to rise to their feet when Jesus said, "Follow me." As Saint Paul put it later, "God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise, God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong" .

When Jesus sent the twelve out into the world, his instructions were simple. He told them to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal, with the implication that to do either right was in effect to do both. Fortunately for the world in general and the church in particular, the ability to do them is not dependent on either moral character or IQ. To do them in the name of Christ is to be a minister. In the name of Christ not to do them





# About God's Word

## THROUGH THE WEEK AT EPIPHANY

**Sunday, Jun 18, 2023**

### Your name here

At county fairs there always seems to be a stand where someone offers to write your name on a grain of rice. As novel a proposition as that is, perhaps there are better places to have our names inscribed. Scripture mentions a "Book of Life" eight times. It's described as the registry of the just—a desirable place to be listed. Martyrdom is one sure way to make the registry and promoting the gospel is another. Simply put, bring Jesus to others. Witness with your values, decisions, and resources. Add your name to the book.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 19:2-6a; Romans 5:6-11; Matthew 9:36 —10:8 (91). *"The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew."*

**Monday, Jun 19, 2023**

### Take your place in paradise

A thousand years ago, Italian monk Saint Romuald founded a religious order, the Camaldolese, that blended the Christian hermit tradition into monastic life. His monks lived in individual cells but participated in some communal activities. Romuald's rule of life put solitude and contemplation and meditation on the Psalms at the center of his order's spirituality. He wrote, "Sit in your cell as in paradise. Put the whole world behind you and forget it. Watch your thoughts like a good fisherman watching for fish. The path you must follow is in the Psalms—never leave it." Tap into this tradition and try finding a place of solitude and, with the Psalms handy, carve out some quiet time for contemplation in your busy day.

MEMORIAL OF ROMUALD, ABBOT

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42 (365). *"But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil."*

**Tuesday, Jun 20, 2023**

### We are one vast body in this one vast Lord

On this day in 1926, the 28th International Eucharistic Congress opened in Chicago, the first one held in the United States. Mass at Soldier Field attracted an estimated 400,000 people gathered in and around the stadium and featured a "Nuns and Women's Choir of 10,000 Voices." At its conclusion, 750,000 pilgrims joined a 40-mile eucharistic procession—on foot or by car, bus, and rail—to St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. A logistical marvel of mass transit, this gathering was as important for Chicago as it was for the U.S. church. Let these words, from 2021's international congress, be your meditation today: "He is our Lord and our Master, our friend and our food, our healer and our peace."

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48 (366).

*"They gave themselves first to the Lord and to us through the will of God."*

**Wednesday, Jun 21, 2023**

### Your mission

The brief life of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga (he died at 23) is instructive for all who hope to raise or nurture young faith. Though he was raised in royal privilege, a book about the experiences of Jesuit missionaries in India inspired Aloysius to leave his comfortable world behind and dedicate his life to God. As it turned

out, his mission field would be closer to home, as he gave his life serving the sick during a terrible plague in Rome in 1591. Young people are inspired by heroic examples of service. Be that inspiration.

MEMORIAL OF ALOYSIUS GONZAGA, RELIGIOUS

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (367). *"Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them .... your Father who sees in secret will repay you."*

**Thursday, Jun 22, 2023**

### Discipleship still can be costly

Sir (and Saint) Thomas More, the British humanist and statesman, stared down King Henry VIII and paid the price. He was beheaded in 1535 for refusing to support the king's desire to control the Catholic Church. The 1960 play (and later film) *A Man for All Seasons* kept alive More's considerable reputation as martyr and man of letters. More's final words affirmed that he was the "king's good servant and God's first." Most of us won't have to die for our faith, but many will pay a price for doing the right and faithful thing in a difficult situation. What has your faith cost you?

MEMORIAL OF THOMAS MORE, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15 (368). *"Your Father knows what you need before you ask him."*

**Friday, Jun 23, 2023**

### 'Tis a gift

The classic rock song "Simple Man" was written by two musicians who had recently lost loved ones: a grandmother and a mother. As the two were sharing stories and advice from these women, the verses of a song began to emerge. The women's advice was simple: Remember God, slow down in life, follow your heart, and find everything you need in your soul. Living simply was key for these women, and it is key for our life as Christians. As you encounter the gospels in your prayer and during Mass, what values of simple living do you hear woven into its verses?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30; Matthew 6:19-23 (369). *"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth."*

**Saturday, Jun 24, 2023**

### Find your voice

Zechariah, father of John the Baptist, stands in for all of us who fall silent when our doubt overcomes our faith. Along the path of life where we sometimes lose our way, it's difficult to trust that God is with us always. When Zechariah comes to his senses and realizes God is indeed active in his life through the wondrous birth of John, he is able to speak again. So it is with us. We find our authentic voice when we trust in God.

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80 (587). *"He asked for a tablet and wrote, 'John is his name,' and all were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened, his tongue freed, and he spoke blessing God."*



# EPIPHANY CHURCH

## HOME OF 40 MINISTRIES

IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS WE WILL BE  
EXPANDING ON EACH MINISTRY

"I HAVEN'T BEEN TO TOO MANY  
CHURCHES WITH THE SAME VIBRANCE  
THAT EPIPHANY HAS"

"EPIPHANY IS NOT JUST A BUILDING.  
EPIPHANY IS ABOUT HER PARISHIONERS  
AND THE FELLOWSHIP WE SHARE WITH  
EACH OTHER AND CHRIST"

"WHAT DREW US IN AND KEPT US  
COMING BACK WAS EPIPHANY'S  
VIBRANT COMMUNITY"

### CHURCH LEADERSHIP MINISTRY

PASTORAL COUNCIL  
SENIOR LEADERSHIP  
FINANCIAL COUNCIL  
AV/COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

### HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

PARISH HOSPITALITY  
COFFEE AND DONUTS  
GARDENING MINISTRY

### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

MINISTRY PLANNING TEAM  
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SPIRITUAL DIRECTION  
PRAYER CORPS  
BREAKING OPEN THE WORD  
BIBLE STUDY  
RCIA

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MINISTRIES

COMPASSION MINISTRY  
COMMUNITY EVENTS MINISTRY  
INTERFAITH MINISTRY  
FILIPINO MINISTRY  
22 CLUB  
MEETING GOD IN THE DARK

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

ALTAR SERVER  
EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY  
LECTOR MINISTRY  
MASS HOSPITALITY  
ART & ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY  
LITURGICAL COMMITTEE MINISTRIES

### MUSIC MINISTRY

ADULT & CHILDREN'S CHOIR  
7:30PM MASS CHOIR

### SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

HUNGER SUNDAY  
FOOD DRIVE (SANT' EGIDIO/EPIPHANY)  
JUST FAITH MINISTRY

# @EPIPHANY

## EVENTS

**JUN 18 - JUN 25**

Sunday

JUN

**18**

**FATHER'S DAY**  
Sant' Egidio Food Drive  
11:00am Family Mass &  
Sunday Scripture  
12:30pm Parish Alpha  
7:30 Young Adult Mass

Monday

JUN

**19**

**12:10pm Mass**  
**12:30pm Miraculous**  
**Medal novena**

Tuesday

JUN

**20**

**11:00am 22 Club**  
**12:10pm Mass**  
**7:00pm Connect**

Wednesday

JUN

**21**

**12:10pm Mass**  
**12:40pm OLPH (Church)**  
**2:00pm Pocket Prayer Shawl**  
**7:00pm Breaking Open**  
**The Word via Zoom**

Thursday

JUN

**22**

**12:10pm Mass**  
**7:00pm Legion of Mary**  
**7:00pm YA Alpha**

Friday

JUN

**23**

**12:10pm Mass**  
**6:00pm Curia of**  
**Legions of Mary**  
**6:30pm Sant' Egidio**  
**Fridays**

Saturday

JUN

**24**

**10:30am OLPH Mass**  
**4:00pm Vigil Mass**

Sunday

JUN

**25**

**11:00am Family Mass &**  
**Sunday Scripture Program**  
**12:30pm Hunger Sunday**  
**12:30pm Parish Alpha**  
**7:30 Young Adult Mass**



# Church of the Epiphany

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|              | COLLECTIONS vs EXPENSES |                     |
|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|              | Jun 2021 - May 2023     | Jun 2019 - May 2020 |
| collections* | \$574,153               | \$798,325           |
| expenses     | 946,064                 | 870,382             |

\*Collections are our lifeblood, but not our only source of revenue (ex: bequests & one-time gifts). Details are provided in our annual financial report which we issue every fall.

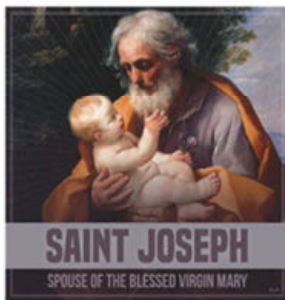
**MASSES**  
**Monday-Friday 12:10pm**  
**Saturday Vigil: 4pm**  
**Sunday 11am & 7:30pm**

**THIS WEEK'S  
 ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS**

- Saturday, June 17**  
 4:00pm John Orzuchowski
- Sunday, June 18**  
 11:00am Lorraine Schneider  
 7:30pm Paul J. Kaminski
- Monday, June 19**  
 12:10pm Tony Galgano
- Tuesday, June 20**  
 12:10pm Bill Wynn
- Wednesday, June 21** *Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga*  
 12:10pm Daniel Gentile
- Thursday, June 22**  
 12:10pm Napoleon Luna
- Friday, June 23**  
 12:10pm Lois & Edwin Carbery
- Saturday, June 24** *Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*  
 4:00pm Aquilina & Estelita Diomampo
- Sunday, June 25**  
 11:00am the McLaughlin & Orzuchowski families  
 7:30pm Nunzio Diamante
- Monday, June 26**  
 12:10pm Alfred F. Peterson
- Tuesday, June 27**  
 12:10pm Michael D. Espiritu

**Sanctuary Lamp  
 June 18-24  
 John Caradonna**

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



**DON'T FORGET YOUR FATHER!**  
 After Father's Day, every Mass in June will include a special plea for fathers, living or deceased, listed on our Father's Day Novena envelopes, which can be found in the Narthex. Complete the envelope and place it in the collection basket or give it to a minister or priest. We need fathers, and our fathers need us - and our prayers!

**Come and celebrate  
 The Feast of  
 Our Mother of Perpetual Help**

**on Saturday, June 24  
 Rosary ~ 11:00 AM  
 Novena ~ 11:30 AM**

**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass ~ 12:00 PM  
 followed by light refreshment on the plaza**

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