

# EPIPHANY

September 11, 2022



*Spirit Unleashed*

Twenty-Fourth Sunday  
Of Ordinary Time



# WELCOME to Epiphany

## A VISION

## FOR EPIPHANY

Epiphany is a welcoming, joyous and worshipping Catholic faith community, filled with the Holy Spirit, where we carry forward the mission of Jesus Christ.

We compassionately walk with the excluded, care for our common home of God's creation, and provide a hope-filled future for everyone by giving of our time, talents and treasures.

We invite and support people in forming a life-long relationship with Christ, serving within our ministries, and growing disciples who will go out and transform the world.



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# DIVINE@ EPIPHANY RENOVATION UPDATE

In 2019 Epiphany Parish was introduced to 'Divine Renovation' (DR), a program of Catholic church renewal. It came out of the experiences of Fr James Mallon, who established a now-thriving parish in Canada where people of all ages have come alive with love for God, for each other and the world. He wrote a book about the renewal experience at the parish (St Benedict's) called Divine Renovation: From Maintenance to Mission. (You can buy a copy in our Narthex!) The book has had a huge impact throughout the Catholic world. In seeking to renew the Archdiocese of Chicago, Cardinal Blase Cupich has adopted the Divine Renovation model for every parish of the diocese.

Under Fr Austin's leadership a strategic committee was formed to move the Parish towards implementing Divine Renovation organizational structures. That got underway in 2020, **resulting in the formation of a Pastoral Council (PC) and a Senior Leadership Team (SLT).**

The role of the **Pastoral Council** has been to develop a vision and purpose plan for the parish, aligning and evaluating ministries against the vision statement, and working out a broad strategy for a five year plan. That work has begun.

The role of the **Senior Leadership Team** is to provide ministry opportunities for all parishioners; to closely manage and support all the ministries of the parish; and to recruit leaders for these ministries. The Senior Leadership Team works in collaboration with the Pastoral Council.

The current members of the Pastoral Council are

**Barbara Duffy, Kelly Farrell, Emilio Hernandez, Della Frazier-Rios, Jim Mayzik SJ, John Molenda, Nancy Sondag, Austin Titus (pastor).**

The current members of the Senior Leadership Team are

**Anu Johns, Debbie Keogh, Jim Mayzik SJ, Patricia Olmedo, Kim Salvo, Joe Torre.**

## 2022-2023



As we have emerged from the pandemic, Epiphany is embarking on a re-introduction of the Divine Renovation renewal process. In 2022 and 2023, the parish will present the ways in which Epiphany will grow in understanding and practice of **discipleship, evangelization, worship, ministry and fellowship.** Each of these essential elements of our church life will be addressed each week in Masses and events at Epiphany throughout the upcoming year in five consecutive seven week series. Each of our ministry teams will also meet monthly for discussion and prayer over these Divine Renovation themes. We will be offering book club discussions about Father Mallon's book for everyone interested.

And one of the most important tools in our renewal is **Alpha.** We will be offering Alpha courses for everyone in the parish, young and old, including a new Alpha series on Sundays after the 11am Mass. Post-Alpha **CONNECT GROUPS** for continued spiritual growth will be established and encouraged for all.



Alpha





# About God's Word

## THROUGH THE WEEK AT EPIPHANY

**Sunday, Sep 11, 2022**

### Forget them not

The commemoration of Grandparents' Day the second Sunday of September was signed into law by President Carter in 1978. On this day we honor elders who fill in as parents. Oprah Winfrey, Carol Burnett, Jack Nicholson, Maya Angelou, Willie Nelson, and Presidents Obama and Clinton are among the 2 percent of U.S. children raised by grandparents. The designated flowers for this day are forget-me-nots, a clever reference to how elders can be overlooked in a fast-paced world. These elders also reclaim the overlooked, providing encouragement for the lost sheep in our family systems. Honor your grandparents, living and deceased.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32 (132). "What [person] among you having a hundred sheep and losing one . . . would not . . . go after the lost one?"

**Monday, Sep 12, 2022**

### A name for the ages

Mary, the mother of Jesus, is known to us by many names and titles: Virgin Mary, Blessed Mother, Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, Star of the Sea, Mystical Rose, Untier of Knots, Cause of Our Salvation—and the list goes on. Catholics venerate her actual name "Mary" because it belongs to the mother of God. In the Aramaic language that she and Jesus spoke, her name was pronounced "Mariam," and by some accounts it meant "bitterness." Mary knew terrible suffering as well as great joy. Whatever you are going through, you can bring it to Mary and call on her for help—by any and all of her names. Say a Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary today.

MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33; Luke 7:1-10 (443). "I did not consider myself worthy to come to you; but say the word and let my servant be healed."

**Tuesday, Sep 13, 2022**

### Nearer my God to Thee—times three

Beauty, goodness, and truth—known in theology as the "three transcendentals"—naturally uplift humans toward the Divine. Saint John Chrysostom tapped all three. His preaching was so beautiful that he earned the name *Chrysostomos*, meaning "golden mouth." As archbishop of Constantinople, he exemplified goodness by using his household budget to take care of the poor and build hospitals. But it was John's tapping of biblical truth—admonishing the wealthy and politicians for abuses of privilege and prestige—that got him into hot water with the powers that be, ultimately contributing to his death. Which of these transcendentals speaks most to your heart?

MEMORIAL OF JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a; Luke 7:11-17 (444). "Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts."

**Wednesday, Sep 14, 2022**

### Cross purposes

Today, we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, celebrating three historic events in early church history: the finding of the True Cross in the Holy Land in the early fourth century by Saint Helena, the mother of Constantine (himself a saint in the calendars of the Eastern Catholic Churches); the dedication of what would become the Church of the Holy Sepulchre that same year; and the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem after it was taken by the Persians in 614. The feast is most obvious in the Eastern Churches

(Catholic, Orthodox, and otherwise) and features small processions and veneration of a large cross during and after the liturgy. Make sure to pay special attention to the Passion of Christ today, regardless of your tradition!

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17 (638). "He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him."

**Thursday, Sep 15, 2022**

### Mary understands your pain

In scripture, when Jesus is presented in the temple, Simeon notes that Mary's heart will be pierced. Later when Jesus recognizes her presence at the foot of the cross as he is dying, Simeon's prediction is fulfilled. Mary's steadfast faith during the ordeal of the Crucifixion serves as a beacon for anyone who suffers. Because today is the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, it's an appropriate moment to ask Mary—who understands pain so well—to pray for our suffering loved ones and all who are enduring great trials.

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (446); John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35 (639). "Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene."

**Friday, Sep 16, 2022**

### ¡Vivan las buenas noticias!

On Sept. 16, 1810, after being stymied in his efforts to promote economic advancement for his parishioners, Jesuit Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla stood in the town square of Dolores in New Spain and declared what became known as *El Grito de Dolores* ("The Cry of Dolores"): "Long live religion! Long live our Blessed Mother of Guadalupe! Long live America and death to bad government!" Thus, the Mexican War for Independence began. Today is a good day to continue the fight for economic justice. Consider beginning with morning Mass, for as Saint Cyprian wrote to his friend Pope Cornelius: "It is not only the weak but the strong who need defense . . . strengthening them for combat with the Body and Blood of Christ!"

MEMORIAL OF CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYRS

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Luke 8:1-3 (447). "Jesus journeyed from one town and village to another, preaching and proclaiming the good news."

**Saturday, Sep 17, 2022**

### Worth the wait

To be named a saint, one must complete the official Roman canonization process, right? Well, not exactly. Today's saint, Hildegard of Bingen, was entered into the process four times. But all the lengthy examinations and documentations were never completed. So she remained beatified but not canonized for almost a thousand years! Yet, many popes, including John Paul II, referred to her as Saint Hildegard. Finally, in 2012, Benedict XVI promoted her to sainthood in a process called "equivalent canonization" that cuts through all the red tape. And he named her a doctor of the church to boot. Your faithful witness will be recognized—even if it takes a thousand years!

MEMORIAL OF HILDEGARD OF BINGEN, ABBESS, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49; Luke 8:4-15 (448). "Knowledge of the mysteries of the Kingdom of God has been granted to you."



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## EVENTS

**SEPT.11- SEPT. 18**



**10:30 9/11 Memorial Service**  
**11:00am Family Mass**  
**12:00pm Epiphany BlockParty**  
**7:30 Young Adult Mass**



**12:10pm Mass**  
**12:30pm Miraculous Medal Novena**  
**1:00&7:00pm**  
**Divine Renovation Book Club**



**11:00am 22 Club**  
**12:10pm Mass**  
**2:30pm Prayer Corps**  
**7:00pm Connect**



**12:10pm Mass**  
**12:40pm OLPH (Church)**  
**6:30pm Cub Scouts**  
**7:00pm Breaking Open**  
**The Word via Zoom**



**12:10pm Mass**  
**6:30pm SOS Meeting**  
**7:00pm YA Alpha**



**12:10pm Mass**  
**1:00pm Legion of Mary**  
**6:30pm Sant'Egidio**  
**Prayer Group (Church)**



**4pm Vigil Mass**



**11:00am Family Mass**  
**2:00pm Parish Alpha**  
**7:30 Young Adult Mass**

# Church of the Epiphany

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## Readings For Sept. 11 Mass

**First Reading:** Ex 32:7-11, 13-14  
**Second Reading:** 1 Tm 1:12-17  
**Gospel:** Lk 15:1-32

## Thank You For Your Support of the Cardinal's Appeal!

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Number of Donors	182

## Pew Dedications

In effort to fund the repair and refinishing of our pews, parishoners may dedicate pews to honor loved ones, living or deceased, or for your own special intentions, Dedications will cost \$500 For more information, please contact the rectory

## MASSES

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

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, September 10

4:00pm Msgr Thomas A. Modugno

### Sunday, September 11

11:00am Mary Gursky

7:30pm Mary Brody

### Monday, September 12

12:10pm Joseph Spadaro

### Tuesday, September 13 *Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom*

12:10pm Dorothy & Gertrude Walsh

### Wednesday, September 14

12:10pm Martin & Helen o'Dea

### Thursday, September 15 *Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows*

12:10pm Hon. J. Courtney McGroarty

### Friday, September 16 *Memorial of Saints Cornelius & Cyprian*

12:10pm Yolanda Sipin

### Saturday, September 17

4:00pm John Watson

### Sunday, September 18

11:00am Mary O'Rourke

7:30pm Rimberto C. Sangalang

### Monday, September 19

12:10pm Teresa Collins

### Tuesday, September 20 *Memorial of Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon,*

*Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions*

12:10pm Mark Wong

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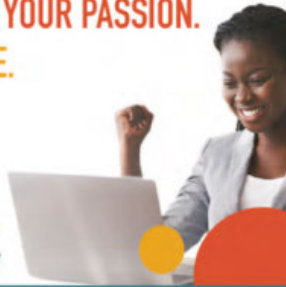
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