

EPIPHANY

November 6, 2022

"With the hope God gives of
being raised up by him"



Thirty-Second
Sunday of
Ordinary Time

WELCOME to Epiphany

WE CAN SAY THAT the story of the Resurrection means simply that the teachings of Jesus are immortal like the plays of Shakespeare or the music of Beethoven and that their wisdom and truth will live on forever. Or we can say that the Resurrection means that the spirit of Jesus is undying, that he himself lives on among us, the way that Socrates does, for instance, in the good that he left behind him, in the lives of all who follow his great example. Or we can say that the language in which the Gospels describe the Resurrection of Jesus is the language of poetry and that, as such, it is not to be taken literally but as pointing to a truth more profound than the literal. Instead, in the Gospels, it is simply proclaimed as a fact. "Christ is risen! In fact, the very existence of the New Testament itself proclaims it. Unless something very real indeed took place on that strange, confused morning, there would be no New Testament, no Church, no Christianity.

Yet we try to reduce it to poetry anyway: the coming of spring with the return of life to the dead earth, the rebirth of hope in the despairing soul. We try to suggest that these are the miracles that the Resurrection is all about, but they are not. In their way they are all miracles, but they are not this miracle, this central one to which the whole Christian faith points.

Unlike the chief priests and the Pharisees, who tried with soldiers and a great stone to make themselves as secure as they could against the terrible possibility of Christ's really rising again from the dead, we are considerably more subtle. When we are pressed to say what it was that actually did happen, what we are apt to come out with is something pretty meager: this "miracle" of truth that never dies, the "miracle" of a life so beautiful that two thousand years have left the memory of it undimmed, the "miracle" of doubt turning into faith, fear into hope. But if we believed that this or something like this was all that the Resurrection meant, then it would be best to leave the community formed from people of this faith.



About God's Word

THROUGH THE WEEK AT EPIPHANY

Sunday, Nov 06, 2022

Formation information

Did you know there are more than 700 religious institutes and societies of apostolic life at work in the United States? That women religious outnumber men religious by more than three to one? That nearly three-fourths of those currently in formation for religious life are Millennials (born roughly from the early 1980s to late 1990s)? That 30 percent of newer entrants to religious life are ethnically and racially diverse, including Asian/Pacific Islander (13 percent), Hispanic (10 percent), black (6 percent), and mixed race (1 percent)? We can't list all 50 facts here, but to download your own post-able, share-worthy list for National Vocation Awareness Week (which starts today), check out Fifty Fun Facts about vocations on the National Religious Vocation Conference website.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38 (156). *"Pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may speed forward and be glorified as it did among you."*

Monday, Nov 07, 2022

Until we rest in You

National Vocation Awareness Week runs annually the first full week of November (this year, Nov. 6-12) to promote vocations to ordained ministry and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to pray and support those who are considering these vocations. Have you ever thought about a vocation to religious life? Do you know someone who could use help discerning such a vocation? Take some time this week to visit Vision Vocation Network for resources to help you discern your path, including a calendar of discernment events, a "Vocation Match" tool to find religious communities, and a treasure trove of helpful articles. This year's theme: "Pathways for a restless heart." Does that speak to you?

TODAY'S READINGS: Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6 (491). *"And the Apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.'"*

Tuesday, Nov 08, 2022

A day to vote your values

"When it comes to labor and politics, I am inclined to be sympathetic to the left, but when it comes to the Catholic Church, then I am far to the right." So said Dorothy Day—born this day 125 years ago—voicing the struggle many U.S. Catholics feel on Election Day. Though Day, born in 1897, was a suffragette, arrested for demanding that women get to vote, she never voted in her lifetime once women finally got the right in 1920. Her reasons were complicated. But the U.S. Catholic bishops offer guidance for all who wonder about the worth of their vote, insisting that "participation in political life is a moral obligation."

TODAY'S READINGS: Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Luke 17:7-10 (492). *"We have done what we were obliged to do."*

Wednesday, Nov 09, 2022

Build your vocation steeped in love

For nearly a millennium, the Catholic Church has marked on this day the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, so named for the hill upon which it sits just east of the Colosseum in Rome. The cathedral of the Diocese of Rome, it is the official seat of the pope (the bishop of Rome) and is dedicated to both of the New Testament's two most famous Johns: the Baptist and the Apostle. At this halfway point of National Vocation Awareness Week,

consider the far-reaching impact of these servants honored in the Catholic Church's highest-ranking edifice. Let's dedicate ourselves as they did to spreading the Good News of love, and through our own holy vocations attain our heavenly reward!

FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22 (671). *"His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me."*

Thursday, Nov 10, 2022

Make peace with your vocation

Saint Leo the Great is one of the few popes remembered as the "Great." This accomplished preacher and writer was also such a skilled diplomat that he convinced Attila the Hun to spare Rome from attack in 452 and later kept a plundering Vandal army from burning the city. We recognize Saint Leo during National Vocation Awareness Week, a time to recall that God has called us each by name to love and serve in our own way. Saint Leo used his gifts to uplift Christ. How do you use yours? Sharing God's peace is a good place to start.

MEMORIAL OF LEO THE GREAT, POPE, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25 (494). *"For behold, the Kingdom of God is among you."*

Friday, Nov 11, 2022

Holiness cut to fit

Humility and generosity are the key attributes associated with many saints, and fourth-century Saint Martin of Tours is no exception. While on patrol in Gaul as a soldier in the Roman Army, it is said that Martin took pity on a half-naked beggar by cutting his officer's cloak in half and sharing it with the shivering man. The incident is immortalized in Christian art and iconography throughout Europe and became a defining image of what it means to be Christian. Martin took to heart the words of Jesus: "Whatever you did for one of these least of mine, you did for me" (Matt. 25:45). In Martin's honor, extend your compassion beyond your comfort zone today.

MEMORIAL OF MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37 (495). *"For this is love, that we walk according to his commandments."*

Saturday, Nov 12, 2022

Seek unity where possible

For the first thousand years Christianity was one big, mostly happy family. But for a number of reasons the church was divided in the Great Schism of 1054. Saint Josaphat (c.1580-1623) was a Catholic bishop trying to reunite the Eastern Church with Rome. But, alas, he was a little heavy-handed. When he discovered a priest in his diocese was celebrating Mass according to the Byzantine practice, he had him arrested and thrown in jail. This angered a mob of unruly citizens who attacked and violently dispatched Josaphat, tossing his body in a river. We can honor his good intentions today, while perhaps choosing another approach to unity. Pray we unite in those things that matter most.

MEMORIAL OF JOSAPHAT, BISHOP, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: 3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8 (496). *"I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily."*

Fratelli Tutti

Parish Discussion Series

Fratelli Tutti (All Brothers) is the third encyclical of Pope Francis, subtitled "on fraternity and social friendship". The encyclical calls for more human fraternity and solidarity, and is a plea to reject wars. It focuses on contemporary social and economic problems, and proposes an ideal world of fraternity in which all countries can be part of a "larger human family"

**Mondays At 7PM In The Parish Hall:
Nov.7th, 14th, 21st**



Epiphany's Young Adult Ministry Presents **Adoration Night with Worship Music & Witness**

Lead by: Q Furnald
(Youth Ministry Lead at
Norte Dame of Mt. Carmel NJ)

Friday, November 18
7:00PM - 8:30PM

Light Refreshments After



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NOV.6 - NOV. 13

EVENTS



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



**12:10pm Mass
12:30pm Miraculous
Medal Novena
7:00pm Fratelli Tutti
Workshop**



**11:00am 22 Club
12:10pm Mass
2:30pm Prayer Corps (ZOOM)
5:30 Mass
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
6:30 SOS Group
7:00pm Young Adult Alpha**



**No Mass Veterans Day
1:00pm Legion of Mary
6:30pm Sant'Egidio
Prayer Group (Church)**



4pm Vigil Mass



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

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The Archdiocese for the Military Services was created by Pope Saint John Paul II to provide the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries and spiritual services to those in the United States Armed Forces.

This includes more than 220 installations in 29 countries, patients in 153 V.A. Medical Centers, and federal employees serving outside the boundaries of the USA in 134 countries. Numerically, the AMS is responsible for more than 1.8 million men, women, and children.

The Epiphany School admission season for the 2023-2024 school year is open

Toddler Twos Program through Grade 8
For application information and to schedule a tour, visit our website:
www.theepiphanyschool.org

Announced Masses 2023 (Offering \$20)

Reservations for announced Masses in 2023 will be accepted beginning Wed, November 2. Mass reservation forms are available in the narthex of the church, on the parish website, and in the rectory office. Guidelines for submitting requests are provided on the reservation form.

Remembrance & Special Intentions

A wonderful way to remember our loved ones who have passed on and to pray for special intentions, while giving back to God

Altar Bread & Wine (\$50 / week)

Sanctuary Lamp (\$20 / week)

Please make these arrangements at the rectory.

MASSES

Monday-Friday 12:10pm

Saturday Vigil: 4pm

Sunday 11am & 7:30pm

THIS WEEK'S

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 5

4:00pm Anthony Roque

Sunday, November 6

11:00am Marciano & Eleuteria Abinon

7:30pm Josephine Gursky

Monday, November 7

12:10pm Rosemary Fitzgerald

Tuesday, November 8

12:10pm Anthony Shen

Wednesday, November 9 *Feast of the Lateran Basilica*

12:10pm Dennis Raptis Sr.

Thursday, November 10 *Memorial of Saint Leo the Great*

12:10pm Dorothy & Gertrude Walsh

Friday, November 11 *Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours*

12:10pm No Masses Today

Saturday, November 12 *Memorial of Saint Josaphat*

4:00pm Carmela Marotta

Sunday, November 13

11:00am Regina A. Verlin

7:30pm Bernard McGuirk

Monday, November 14

12:10pm Niamh McGuinness

Tuesday, November 15

12:10pm Michael Nardoza

Sanctuary Lamp Nov 6-12

Rosalinda Ontalan in thanksgiving

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

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