

Epiphany of Our Lord Church

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5 p.m.

Daily

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m.

Sunday

8 a.m., 10 a.m.

and 4p.m.

Holydays

8:30 a.m., 12:05 p.m.,

7 p.m.

Confessions

Sunday

2:30 -3:45 p.m.. & by appointment

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. & by appointment

Closed for lunch: 12 p.m.-1 p.m.

Saturday: By appointment only

Sunday: By appointment only

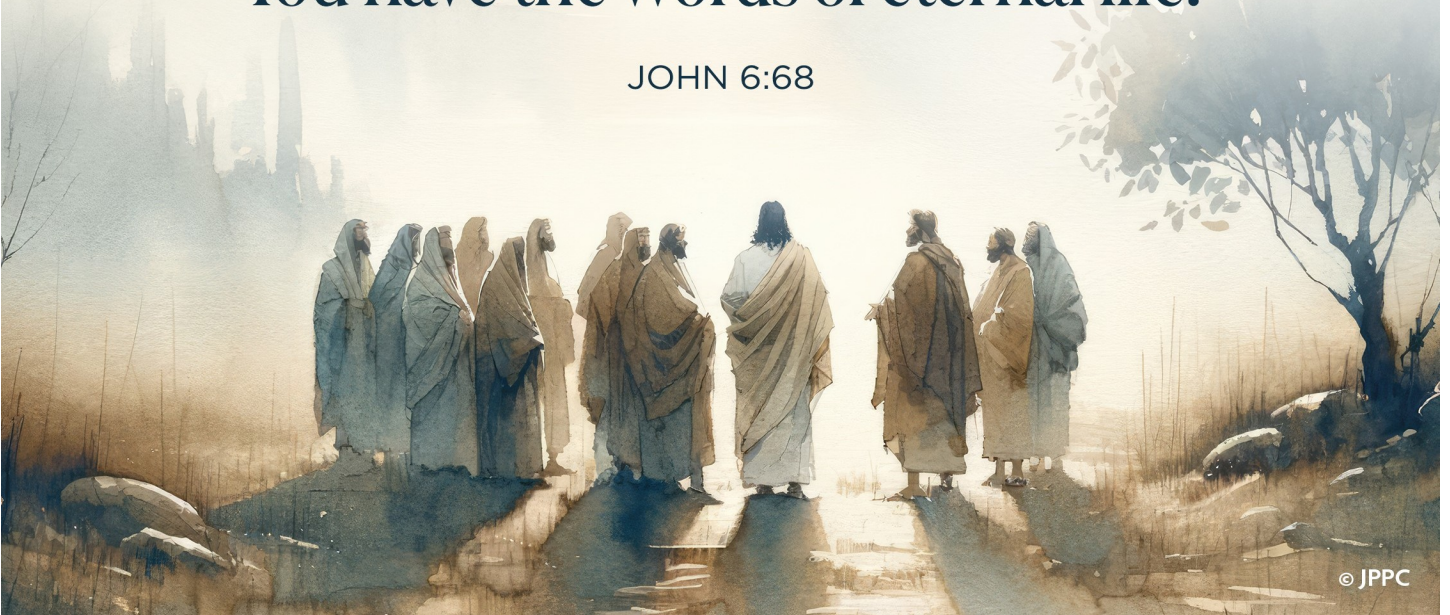
A mail slot is located in the front door of the rectory.

Sun., August 25, 2024

21th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

JOHN 6:68



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Rev. Thomas D. O'Donald, Pastor

frodonald@epiphanyofourlord.com

Permanent Deacons

Michael Pascarella, Jr.

Emil J. Wernert (Retired)

Office Staff

JoAnn O'Connor, Business Manager

Constance M. Steuer, Music Director

Anthony R. Mashaintonio, Facilities Manager

Gretchen Krawczyk, Communications Coordinator

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Barbara Ebling, Admin. Assistant/Safe Environment

Youth Ministry Staff

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Kevin Kozeniewski, Youth Minister

Religious Education Staff

rep@epiphanyrep.com; (215) 367-5853

Linda DiCampli, Coordinator

Maryann Schieve, Administrative Assistant

Holy Rosary Regional Catholic School

www.holyrosaryregional.com

(610) 825-0160

3040 Walton Road,

Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

amyporner@holyrosaryregional.com

Frances Luthy, Principal

Parish Activities for the Week

Monday, Aug 26: Festival Volunteers at 7pm, PC

Wednesday, Aug 28: Prayer Group at 3:30 pm, RMR; Cub Scouts at 6 pm, PC

Location Key

C=Church S=School PC=Parish Center GH=Grady Hall
RMR=Rectory Meeting Room L=Parking Lot/Fields

Upcoming Parish Activities & Events

Prayer Group

Our Parish Prayer Group meets on **Wednesdays** at 3:30 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room.

The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will no longer be meeting on Wednesdays at Epiphany of Our Lord.

PREP New Parent Meeting

Newly registered families of the Parish Religious Education Program, PREP, are meeting **Wednesday, Sept. 4** in the Parish Center at 6:45 p.m. For questions please call Linda DiCampli, PREP Coordinator, at 215-367-5853 or email rep@epiphanyofourlord.com

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus will be meeting on **Thursday, Sept. 5**, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room. All are welcome to see what we have on the agenda.

PREP Opening Night

Our Parish Religious Education Program starts **Monday, Sept. 9** at 6 p.m. in the school.

The Mass Book Opens for 2025

On **Tuesday, Sept. 3** the Mass Intention Book will be open to reserve Masses for 2025. At the initial offering, there will be a limit of 3 Masses per person. Later, when the demand has ebbed, you may get more Masses.

Low Gluten Hosts

For our parishioners or visitors who are in need of a low gluten host, please use Father O'Donald's, or guest celebrant's line for communion. They will have a separate pyx of consecrated low gluten hosts.



From Father:

In this week's reading from Ephesians, St. Paul offers us a profound challenge: "Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ" (Ephesians 5:21). At first glance, this call to submission may seem counter-cultural, especially in a world that often values independence and self-assertion. However, Paul's exhortation is rooted in the very heart of the Christian life and offers us a deeper understanding of what it means to live in community as followers of Christ.

To be "subordinate" to one another is not about diminishing our dignity or worth. Rather, it is a call to humility and service. This mutual submission is an invitation to recognize Christ in each other and to treat one another with the same love and respect that Christ has for us. It is a call to put the needs and well-being of others before our own, fostering a community where love, peace, and understanding prevail.

This call is particularly relevant within our families, friendships, and parish community. In our daily interactions, how often do we seek to understand the perspectives of others, to listen with compassion, and to respond with patience? How often do we prioritize the needs of those around us, even when it requires sacrifice on our part?

St. Paul's teaching reminds us that our relationships are not simply about what we can gain, but about how we can serve one another. In doing so, we reflect the love of Christ, who "came not to be served, but to serve" (Mark 10:45). This spirit of service is the foundation of a healthy and vibrant Christian community.

Moreover, Paul links this call to mutual submission directly to our reverence for Christ. When we serve others with humility and love, we do so out of respect and honor for the Lord who first loved us. Our actions become a living testament to the faith we profess, a witness to the transformative power of God's grace in our lives.

As we meditate on this passage, let us ask ourselves how we can better live out this call in our daily lives. How can we embody the spirit of mutual submission in our families, in our parish, and in our wider community? By embracing this call, we not only strengthen our relationships but also grow closer to Christ, who is the source of all love and unity.

May we, as a parish, strive to live in harmony and love, subordinating ourselves to one another out of reverence for Christ. Let us encourage and support each other in this journey, knowing that in serving one another, we serve the Lord Himself.

**Oremus pro invicem,
Fr. O'Donald**

your
child
belongs

...in this church
...in this community
...in the body of Christ
...in Religious Education

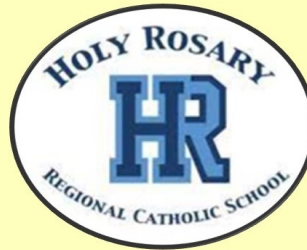
**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
P.R.E.P.
PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
PROGRAM**

MONDAY EVENINGS 6:30-7:45pm

Register online at epiphanyfourlord.com
under Religious Education dropdown
or contact

Linda DiCampi,
Coordinator of Religious Education at
215-367-5853 or by email at
rep@epiphanyrep.com

**Holy Rosary Regional Catholic School
2024 Archdiocesan School of
Distinguished Instruction**



Join our family TODAY!

What a great place to learn!

Did you know that Holy Rosary Regional was recently named an *Archdiocesan School of Distinguished Instruction*? Our school improved in both Growth and Potential as the result of our Terra Nova test results. Congratulations to our students, teachers, and staff on this wonderful achievement!

**HOLY ROSARY REGIONAL
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

All children deserve a Catholic Education

**2024-25 Now Enrolling Student in
Pre-K3 through Grade 7**

For more information check out our web-
site holyrosaryregional.com
or to schedule a tour
please contact Amy Porter at
amyporter@holyrosaryregional.com
or call 610-825-0160.

Age Requirements:

Pre-K 3: Age 3 by Sept. 1, 2024
Pre-K4: Age 4 by Sept. 1, 2024
Kindergarten: Age 5 by Sept. 1, 2024
Frist Grade: Age 6 by Sept 1, 2024

**Financial Aid is available
to those who qualify.**

**TRANSFER GRANT, WELCOME GRANT,
HISPANIC GRANT, PARISH SUBSIDY**
More than \$100,000 in in grants and aid available!



Tuesday, August 27

**MUSIC MINISTRY INVITES
NEW MEMBERS!**

The Music Ministry is seeking
new voices for the Choir program!!
The Choir is open to all parishioners
from third grade thru Senior citizens.

The Choir meets twice a month
for rehearsals on **Wednesday** eve-
nings. The first rehearsal is sched-
uled for **Wednesday, Sept. 18** at
6:45 in the church. Please arrive by
6:30 to sign-up and receive the re-
hearsal and Mass schedule.

If you would like more infor-
mation, please contact
Connie Steuer,
Director of Music at
musicdir@epiphanyfourlord.com

WELCOME WEEK AT EPIPHANY

~ Welcome back from summer vacations
~ Welcome to our parish

~ THIS WEEK IS FOR YOU, YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Our 3rd annual parish week of events is for everyone to connect with each other, Fr. O'Donald and Our Lord. Let's enjoy our great community together!

SATURDAY
7th
&
SUNDAY
8th

STUDENT BLESSING

~ All masses will include a special blessing for students



SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL

~ Church vestibule following the 10:00 am mass



MONDAY
9th

PREP OPENING SOCIAL

~ Family members are invited to the Parish Center rooms for a social with Fr. O'Donald, immediately following the 6:30 pm opening of the Parish Religious Education Program



WEDNESDAY
11th

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

~ The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is a time to develop a closer relationship with Our Lord. All ages are welcome to come and go as your schedules allow. The opening period of quiet adoration will close with a traditional Indoor Procession & Benediction blessing. Church, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm

FRIDAY
13th

PASTOR'S OPEN HOUSE

~ All ages welcome to pop in for some bites and beverages. Please enter the rectory through the parking lot door (ie, main door to the Adoration and Meeting rooms - the first door on the right is the living room access, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm)



SUNDAY
15th

2ND ANNUAL PARISH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

~ A fun day for all ages with bands, bocce, pickleball, pony rides, bingo, a zoo visit, beer, food, & much much more!!! Throughout our campus, 11:30 am-5:30 pm



Bakers Needed!

Are you a great baker who can make delicious cakes and pastries? Then we need your help! Our Parish Community Festival is having a bake sale and we are in need of cookies, cupcakes, pies or whatever your baking specialty is!

If interested in baking for a our festival, please drop off your tasty treats on **September 14** at the ticket booth in the back of church after the 5pm Mass, or **September 15** at the ticket booth after the 8am mass, or at the bake sale table during the festival.

Donate Gift Cards & Gift Baskets



We're seeking donations of gift baskets or gift cards for raffles and auctions for our Parish Community Festival! Get creative! Pick a theme for your basket and run with it! Your support will help us raise funds and enhance the festival experience. Contact Connie at 610-633-5908 to donate.

**EOL PARISH
COMMUNITY
FESTIVAL**

**\$5,000
Raffle**

**\$50 Ticket
for a chance to win
\$5,000 Cash Prize**

Tickets on Sale at all Weekend Masses starting August 17 until 200 tickets are sold.

Drawing will be at 5:00pm at the Parish Community Festival on September 15th.

Have questions or want to join the organizing group (ie, Parish Life Committee), email parishlife@epiphanyofourlord.com



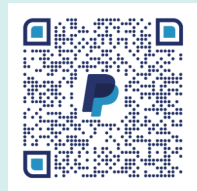
2nd Annual Parish Community Festival



**Sunday September 15
11:30am - 5:30pm**

**A FUN DAY FOR ALL AGES
FOOD + BEER GARDEN + BANDS
MOON BOUNCES + PONY RIDES + ZOO PRESENTATION
BINGO + SPORTING GAMES RAFFLES
TICKETS ON SALE AFTER ALL WEEEKEND MASSES
BUFFET: ADULTS \$20, KIDS \$10**

CASH/CHECK, CREDIT CARD OR PAYPAL



Thank you to our sponsors!



HMTC Unlimitd

***If you are interested in sponsoring our Community Festival
please email johnbeichert24@gmail.com***

Clothing Donation Bins

Epiphany of Our Lord Parish is partnering with Clean House Recycling to help support the parish and our **St. Vincent de Paul Society**. Green recycling bins have been placed in the far parking lot, next to the school along Walton Road. Useable Clothing and shoes are accepted. Please do not donate furniture or household items.



Poor Boxes

Contributions made to the Poor Boxes located at the church entrances are given to the **Saint Vincent de Paul Society** and directly help those in need in our community of Plymouth Meeting.

Thank you for your support!

Need Assistance?

Are you, or is someone you know in our community, in need of assistance? The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** may be able to help! We encourage you to call or email us. All requests are kept in the strictest of confidence. Phone: 267- 627-4436 Email: eolsvdp@gmail.com

Pregnancy Hotline

Pregnant and need help? Call or text the hotline at (610) 626-4006 or text (484) 451-8104, 24/7, for assistance with pro-life options, supportive counseling and other resources.

Spiritual Support for Addiction

If you or someone you love is seeking spiritual support on the road to recovery from addiction, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia invites you to visit arch-philadelphia.org/hope for information on events and resources.



Beyond the Bulletin



You don't have to 'be on' social media to see our Church's Facebook or Instagram posts

- Go to our website
- Click on the Facebook or Instagram icon at the top right of the home page

(close any pop-ups asking you to login/set up an account because you don't have to do that ..our accounts are public to all!)

That's it ! Start viewing posts!

- To receive our monthly E-Newsletter, click on the cute FlockNote sheep on our website's homepage.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 26 8:30 a.m. Anthony Krawczyk	Wednesday, August 28 8:30 a.m. Kevin McCrea
Tuesday, August 27 8:30 a.m. Al Taglianetti	Thursday, August 29 8:30 a.m. David McTamney
	Friday, August 30 8:30 a.m. Barbara Hylinski



Adoration Chapel Votive Candles are Dedicated for:

Anthony Vigna Connor McDevitt

Weekly Tithing Report—August 11, 2024

Sunday In-Pew Collections: \$7,135

Sunday Mailed in Envelopes: \$711

Sunday E-Giving: \$2,963

TOTAL: \$10,809

Catholic University: \$784

The Assumption: \$1,768



Please Remember in Prayer
Anthony DeFelice who passed
August 7, 2024
Leader of our Legion of Mary



Please Remember in Prayer
George Pupek who passed
August 17, 2024
Husband of Marie
Father of George, Steven & Jaime



Parish Bulletin Submission Deadline

Submit announcements by the Tuesday 7 days prior to the desired publication date. Announcements are to include day, date, time, place, and contact person with phone number and/or email address.

Email to bulletin@epiphanyofourlord.com.

Please Pray for the Sick

Parishioners listed in bold.

Lenn Catley
Frank Campolongo
John Cogan
Lisa Connelly
Marie DiDomizio
Fr. James Kelly
Harry Morrione
Antoinette Pendlton
Joseph Spanier
Gary Warecki

Carol Campolongo
Geraldine Connor
Kinleigh Connelly
Michael Cross
Donna Jenkins
Connor McDevitt
Patrick J. Kenney
Barbara Pearce
Brian Thomas

Contact the Parish Office to update the list.



Martha's

Choice Marketplace & Community Farm

Catholic Social Services

Martha's Choice Marketplace, a part of Catholic Social Services, operates a food pantry on Johnson Highway in Norristown. Food and personal care items are distributed to those in our area who are in need.

**In August we are in need of...
Diapers!**

**All sizes needed
except for newborn.**

There is a bin in the back of church to leave your donations. No glass jars or expired food can be accepted. Thank you!



Parish Office Requests

To register in the parish, arrange for a baptism, or request a Certificate of Eligibility for sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office during office hours at eol@epiphanyofourlord.com.

Also, please advise our office staff of any change of address, telephone number or family status.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the sick is by request. Please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible when any parishioner becomes seriously ill or is admitted to the hospital.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays upon request. Both first-time parents need to attend a Pre-Jordan class, which is held the first Wednesday of every month.

Pre-Registration for the class is required by contacting the Parish Office. Sponsors not from Epiphany are required to submit a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish two weeks prior to the Baptism.

Matrimony

Notify the Parish Office of your intention to marry at least six months before the date of the wedding to assure sufficient preparation and to arrange for Pre-Cana sessions.

Holy Communion for the Sick and Homebound

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion to the sick and homebound. Call the Parish Office at (610) 828-8634 to provide the office staff with the name, address and phone number of the sick or homebound parishioner.