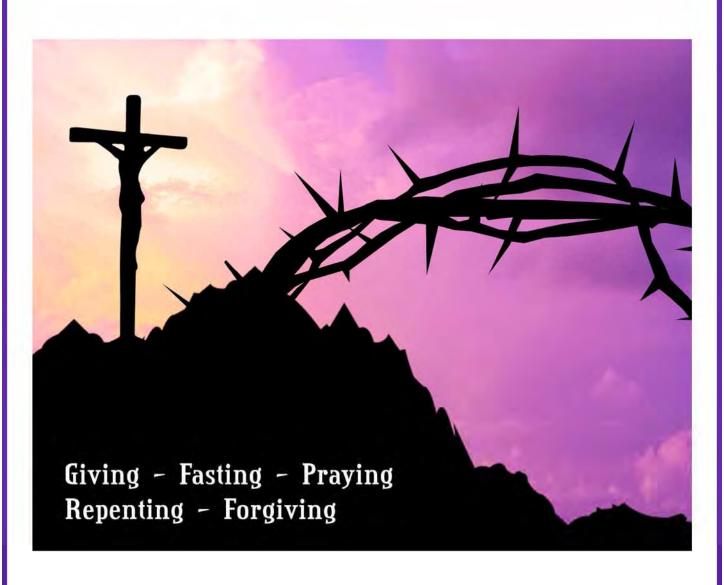
# Fourth Sunday of Lent

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and believe.'"

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*Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm* 

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## Welcome to our Parish

Please fill out a registration form to be affiliated with Epiphany Parish. Registration forms can be found on the parish office door or online on our website.

| Masses   |
|--|
| Saturday Vigil4:00 pm EST / 5:00pm DST   |
| Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am  |
| Please watch Fr. Mike broadcast Mass every Sunday via Live Steam on Facebook at the 10:30 am Mass. |

Holy Day Masses ------Mass as Announced Confessions----- Saturday from 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

# Sacrament of Marriage

Saturday 11:00 am, 12:30 pm, 2:00 pm. Couples should contact the Parish Office to make preparations at least 1 year before the planned wedding date.

# Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is ordinarily celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 12:00 pm. To schedule Baptism, please call the Parish Office, at least one month in advance.

# Sponsor Letters/Requirements

The following is required by Canon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for **Baptism** Confirmation. Be at least 16 years of age. Have completed the Sacraments of Initiation. (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation). If married, have a marriage that is canonically valid and recognized by the Catholic Church. Be a registered and active parishioner living a life of faith. You must be registered with our parish for at least 3 months before we will provide a sponsor letter. Although you may have registered with our parish, if you are not attending Mass regularly and using the envelope system there is no way for the parish office to confirm regular Mass attendance. Please contact the Parish Office to confirm your status with our parish.

# March 14, 2021 • 4th Sunday of Lent

# **DAILY MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, March 13, 2021

9:00AM Patricia Boyle by Red & June Eipert 4:00PM Marguerite Scott by June & Red Eipert

Sunday, March 14, 2021

8:00AM People of the Parish

10:30AM Ida DiGiovanni by the DiGiovanni family

Monday, March 15, 2021

9:00AM James Meola by Joe Princiotta

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

9:00AM Robert DeFilippis by Frank & Betty Furman

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

9:00AM Patrick J., Margaret & Jerome P. Erwin by Dan

Thursday, March 18, 2021

9:00AM Walter Rushalski by Helen Molnar

Friday, March 19, 2021

9:00AM Dorothy DePoto by John DePoto Intentions in the Grey Book

Saturday, March 20, 2021

9:00AM Walter Rushalski by Christine Forman 4:00PM Patricia Boyle by Jack & Mary Cummings

Sunday, March 21, 2021

8:00AM Walter Rushalski by Mary Kellenberger

10:30AM People of the Parish



Sunday Scriptures
Here are next Sunday's Scripture Readings
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Lord comforted his people, who were exiled to Babylon, by telling them of the new covenant he planned to make with them. The Lord declared he would write his law upon their hearts, and that he would forgive their evil and forget the sins they had committed in the past.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel: John 12:20-33

At the request of Pope Francis, Bishop David O'Connell, and our Pastor, Father Mike, we are praying for our church in these very challenging times in response to the abuse crisis. We turn to Saint Michael the Archangel to defend us from all evils.

Powerful Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host - by the Divine Power of God cast into hell, satan and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of the deceased spouses, relatives, friends, and benefactors of the parish and for the comfort and consolation of their families.

## Please pray for the sick

Ed Scott, Claire DePaul, Greg Mador, Gary Nee, Carl Rossi, Robert Morris, Joan Eilbacher, Riley Kellenberger, Francine Serra, Kim Spanelli, Janice Cole, Carmine Derucher, Marta Lamarca, Rosemarie Rico, Marta LaMarca, Alexa Buckle, Patricia Macerino, Maryann Landicino, Thomas Meyers, Michael Radosti, Silvia Abarca, Betty Cedeno, Judy Horan, Josephine Vitiello, Janet Kilian, Christine Monahan, Andrea Caldes, Terry Campbell, Ronnie Segars, Dawn Sheedy, Billy Rutledge, A.J. Rutledge, Stephanie Moglino, Aileen Starkey, Jennifer Chavez, Ed Puzio, and those in the sick call book.

"Please Pray for the Sick" list is for those parishioners who are in need of further prayers from our "Prayers of the Faithful". They will remain on the list for 2 months, after which time their names will be moved to the Gray Book. To add someone to the prayer list, call Donna at 732-458-0220 or email Donna@churchofepiphany.org

#### VIGIL LIGHT PRAYER

Weekly Remembrance March 14th - 21st

The Tabernacle Lamp will burn in the honor/memory of: (No Intentions)



The Blessed Mother Devotional Lamp will burn in honor/memory of: (No Intentions)



The Sacred Heart Devotional Lamp will burn in honor/memory of: (No Intentions)



The St. Joseph Devotional Lamp will burn in honor/memory of:
Robert Friess





# Mass Time Change

Please note that starting next weekend (March 20<sup>th</sup>), our Vigil Mass will be at 5:00PM to go along with the beginning of Daylight-Saving Time.

## **Annual Appeal Explanation**

The Annual Catholic Appeal, formerly the Bishop's Appeal, mission remains the same as it was when it began; to financially empower the Church to serve all the people of God, regardless of belief. What's different today: the needs are greater than ever before. For more information visit the Diocese website: http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal/

#### Let's Get Together and Pray!

With all that is going on in the world, so many of us are searching for answers and looking to pray as a community. Epiphany will be hosting a weekly prayer meeting on Zoom every Monday from 7:00PM – 8:00PM. If you have any questions or would like to attend the Zoom Meetings, please email Kim at religiouseducation@churchofepiphany.org with your email address and full name. Every Monday a new Zoom Link will be sent to the email you provided. All are welcome Weekly attendance is encouraged, but not required. Come Holy Spirit!

#### St. Vincent DePaul

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, quarter or dollar is multiplied by coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

#### Kindergarten Parents

If your child will be going into first grade in September 2021 please register for Religious Education at your earliest convenience. Please note that the First Holy Communion is made in 2nd grade and it is a 2-year program. In order for your child to make first Holy Communion in 2nd grade he/she must attend 1st and 2nd grade Religious Education classes. Please see our website for more information.

# MyParish App

Stay up-to-date with what is going on in your parish. Enjoy many useful faith-building resources and features access to parish contacts, receive MASSMode reminders to silence your phone before Mass, and much more!

#### **High School Youth Group**

Our High School Youth Group will be meeting again on Sunday, March 21st from 2:00PM – 3:30PM in the APR. All High School age teens are welcome!

# **Helping Hands**

Our Food Pantry is located in the Parish Hall, the small white church, on the corner of Herbertsville Road and Thiele Road in Brick. The Food Pantry hours are Saturday from 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM and Monday from 10:00 AM – Noon.

#### Most Needed

- \*Body Soap/Body Wash
- \*Meat (Beef/Chicken/Beef Hot Dogs)
- \*Snacks
- \*Brown Rice
- \*Cheese
- \*Condiments
- \*Shampoo
- \*Canned Ravioli
- \*Dish Detergent
- \*Fresh Fruit/Vegetables
- \*Jelly
- \*Tomato Sauce
- \*Deodorant
- \*Pancake Syrup
- \*Fish

#### Needed

Juice

Eggs

**Assorted Canned Beans** 

Assorted Dried Beans

Canned Chili

Laundry Detergent

Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

If dropping off food, stay in your cars in a line and have the food in your trunk. Pull up to the main doors, open your trunk, and a volunteer will remove the items.

For the Month of January 2021 Helping Hands helped 505 Adults & Children, 136 Families with Food.

#### **Easter Dinner Baskets**

Helping Hands is looking for individuals or small groups to donate an Easter Dinner basket for a family in need. Please contact the parish office to sign up. The phone number is 732-458-0220. It

will be necessary to bring the basket to the parish Hall on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> between 8AM 10AM. Thank you for caring and sharing.

# 2021-2022 Religious Education Registration

Registration for the 2021-2022 school year will begin on **Monday, March 1, 2021.** 

This year's Summer Program will be virtual with daily Zoom meetings from June 28, 2021 – July 2, 2021.

The full year program begins on October 5, 2021 and runs through April 5, 2022, on Tuesday's from 5:30-6:30PM. All classes will be held on site at The Church of Epiphany.

# <u>Documents needed at the time of registration are:</u>

Registration form

Homily Reflection Book

\$40 deposit (2019/2020 tuition must be *paid in full* at time of registration)

If a payment plan is needed please contact the Religious Education Department.

\*Parents of students new to our Religious Education program, please also bring a Baptismal certificate, and transfer form, if your child attended CCD in another parish, to the parish office.

# **Registration Process**

This year's registration process will be a little different due to COVID19. In order to expedite the registration process, please have all forms completed, signed and dated prior to drop-off.

There will be a bin by the door to the main office that you can drop all necessary paperwork. If you need assistance with your registration, please call the Religious Education Department to schedule an appointment.

All necessary forms, dates, and information for the 2021-2022 Religious Education school year can be found on the Church of Epiphany website.

# Candy Fundraiser

Make this year's Easter extra sweet by supporting our Parish fundraiser through Old Monmouth Candies.

Order forms can be found in the Commons Area, or you can place your order online.

Last Day to order: 12pm, March 21, 2021
(Payment due with order!)

Pick up: March 27th & 28th after ALL Masses

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# Knights of Columbus Epiphany Council No. 8160 John Kearns Scholarship

John Kearns was a man who dedicated his life to assisting others, always willing to share his time and perform charitable works. In recognition of this extraordinary life, the Knights of Columbus Council 8160 will award two \$500.00 scholarships, one to a current 8<sup>th</sup> grader who will attend a Catholic High School and the other to a current High School senior going to any college.

Current Epiphany parishioners' immediate family and grandchildren are eligible. Additional requirements are:

- 1. Minimum GPA of 3.0 (B Average)
- 2. Demonstrated history of church or community service

Applicants must complete the scholarship application and write a 350 word essay addressing the question:

Charity is defined as generosity and helpfulness, especially toward the needy or suffering. It springs from a kindly heart to soothe the unhappy, to relieve distress, to sympathize with the unfortunate and to restore peace to the troubled soul. How have your charitable endeavors (not including those performed for service hours) impacted your life?

All materials must be received by May 9, 2021. Completed applications may be:

- Dropped off at the parish office. Please place application in a sealed envelope and marked to the attention of Robert Hermida
- Mailed to: Robert Hermida, Epiphany Knights of Columbus, 615
   Thiele Rd., Brick, NJ 08724
- Emailed to rhermida08724@yahoo.com

# **Knights of Columbus Epiphany Council No. 8160** John Kearns Scholarship Application

| Name:  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Address:   |   |  |
| Phone:   | Email   |  |
| Are you an Epiphany parishioner? YES If not, who in your family is a parishione  | NO<br>r?  |  |
| Please circle your current grade: 8th<br>Which Catholic High School or which Col   |   |  |
| Grade Point Average (GPA)  | <del>-</del>  |  |
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| Signed:  | Date:   |  |

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The St. Denis Parish Community wishes to support you as you live out God's Plan for your family!



# Blessing for Pregnant Women -and-

# Couples Hoping to Conceive or Adopt a Child

# Weekend of March 20 & 21, 2021 St. Denis Parish, Manasquan

This will be offered:

- in-person at the Main Church on Rt. 71 on Saturday 4:30pm Mass and Sunday at the 8am and 9:30am Masses
- in-person at the 10am Mass at the Beach Chapel (Our Lady Star of the Sea on Main St. & 3rd Ave.)
- Virtually on the 4:30pm Saturday Facebook Mass, Go to <a href="http://www.churchofstdenis.org/">http://www.churchofstdenis.org/</a> and click on the Facebook icon)

Blessed St. Gerard medals and Prayer Cards will be available in the gathering space

\*\*All are welcome! No RSVP is necessary...Just come!!\*\*
Questions? Contact Rachel Hendricks thehendricks7@gmail.com

# A Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." Come to our aid now, that we may experience your healing love.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

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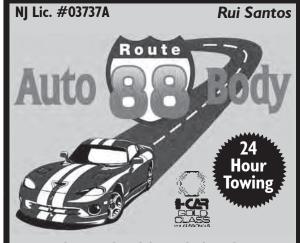
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