

IN ALL THAT WE DO, LET US GIVE GLORY TO GOD

MASS INTENTIONS April 4—10, 2011

MONDAY (April 4) St. Isidore

7:00am Anna J. Geffert (Mary & John Haluska)
 12:10pm George Novak Birthday (Family)
 6:00pm Betty McDonald (Bob Hogan)

TUESDAY (April 5) St. Vincent Ferrer

7:00am William John Collins (Eugene & Barb Marrone)
 12:10pm Jack Lenz (Al & Louise Smith)
 2:30pm Ashton Nursing Home
 6:00pm David F. Shaw, Sr. (Grandchildren)

WEDNESDAY (April 6)

7:00am Jackie Ann Fascinella (Molly Zello Family)
 12:10pm Anniv. Anthony Rossillo (Brother & Family)
 6:00pm William Taff (Mr. & Mrs. Edward Kunkler)

THURSDAY (April 7) St. John Baptist de la Salle

7:00am William Skerpon (Ball & Skerpon Catholic Vets Post #773)
 12:10pm Richard Hogan (Joe & Linda Scopelliti)
 6:00pm Rita Delpierre (Wayne & Victoria Marrone from Dallas)

FRIDAY (April 8)

7:00am Helen K. Derzak (Alice Dunham)
 12:10pm Arnold Cochi (Kate & Rita Calveric)
 6:00pm Mary Theresa Sullivan (Dan Leary, Pauline Brennan)
 (Followed by Stations of the Cross)

SATURDAY (April 9)

Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent
 5:00pm Anniv. Rose Mandarano (Family)

SUNDAY (April 10) Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00am Louis Angelo & Family (Family)
 9:30am Henry Cochi (Phyllis Cochi & Family)
 10:00am (OLPH) For Our Parishioners
 11:00am Anniv. John Calveric (Gloria & Emma)

<u>April 9/10</u>	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
Saturday 5:00PM	Alice Dunham, Mary Haner Betsy Mooney	Nathan Aquilio Gary & Hailey Moorehead	Patrick Aquilio Teresa Carola
Sunday 8:00AM	Dan Barrett, Pat Soper Michelle Van Allen	Matthew Collins Anna & Andy Moliski	Maureen Beirne Ceil Daher
Sunday 9:30AM	Dave Brawley Mary Ann & Bill Gardner	Mary Rose & Christina King Declan Sharma	Angelica & Anna Maria King
Sunday 10:00AM (OLPH)	Meg & Gerard Spagnoli	Rachael & Patrick Donnelly	Kathy Keleher Shelly Reagan
Sunday 11:00AM	Ralph & Carol Meyer Jan Sheedy	Caleb Lattari, Leah Reid Kurt Walck	Bob Landy Pat Reid

April 3, 2011 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear friends, God has called us here today to open our eyes to the great gift of our salvation in Jesus Christ. As we hear the Gospel story of the man born blind who is given sight by Jesus, let us pray, along with our elect who will celebrate their second scrutiny today, for the insight to see who God is calling us to be this Lent and for the rest of our lives.

The Most Blessed Sacrament is reserved in this Church.
We respectfully request that a reverent silence and appropriate attire be observed by ALL.

Epiphany Church Sanctuary Candle Sanctuary Candle

April 3—17,2011

In Memory of Jay Hutchison

Epiphany Church Blessed Mother Candle

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Emily Sefcik by Emil

Epiphany Church St. Joseph Candle

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Safety for Grandchildren in Military

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Chapel) Sanctuary Candle

April 3—17,2011

In Memory of John Harney

Candle donation for two weeks is \$15.00. Please call the rectory to reserve a candle.

Mass Requests for an anniversary of the death of a loved one, to celebrate one's birthday, wedding anniversary, to request a favor, or to offer thanks for a favor granted are always being accepted. Please contact the Parish Office.

Any change of address for any parishioner is to be brought to the rectory's attention ASAP. Thank you.

ANY current parishioners who are in active military duty, please forward a recent photo, name etc to the parish office. We will display the photo and ask all for prayers for their safe return home.

From Bishop Bambera

*Following the March 11th earthquake in Japan, I have authorized a special collection in all parishes of the Diocese of Scranton for the people of Japan. Since this devastating event occurred, Catholic Relief Services has been working with Caritas International and others to find pathways in order to bring aid to the many thousands stricken by the earthquake and tsunami that devastated northern Japan. Recognizing their commitment to appropriately utilize the expression of generosity by Catholics in the United States, a special collection will be taken up at all Masses of obligation on the weekend of **April 16-17, 2011**. Proceeds from the collection will be sent by the Diocese of Scranton to Catholic Relief Services. Our willingness and ability to provide assistance in the form of prayers and charitable donations will support those affected as they face the long road to recovery.*

*Sincerely Yours in Christ,
+ Joseph C. Bambera*

*Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton*

Calendar Reminder

- April 2/3: 2nd Collection for the Support and Education of our Diocesan Priests
- April 3: Public School Religious Education Class
- April 7: Altar & Rosary Society meeting 1pm (Church Hall)
- April 9-10: Catholic Social Services of the Diocese of Scranton 2nd Collection
- April 16-17: Japan Disaster Relief Special 2nd Collection

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Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

IMMEDIATE openings. Please contact Charles Hammond at 570-888-5161 if you would consider taking one of these hours or be a substitute:

We are most grateful to those who have responded to fill the open hours thus far. As you can see there are still several more that need to be filled along with developing a list of those willing to substitute when someone is ill.

Sunday: 10am Monday: 3am
 Wednesday: 3am Thursday: 3am
 Friday: 1pm Saturday: 4am, 5pm

Celebration to mark the 19th Year of Perpetual Adoration at Epiphany Church will be on Sunday, May 22nd at the 11:00am Mass.

LENTEN DAILY MASSES will be daily (as scheduled in the bulletin) **7:00am; 12:10pm; 6:00pm**. On the Fridays of Lent we will continue the tradition of praying the Stations of the Cross following the **6:00pm** Mass. FYI the average daily Lenten mass attendance is: 7am: 40; 12:10pm 50; 6pm 30.

ALL the FRIDAYS of Lent are to be observed as days of ABSTINENCE (no meat product is to be consumed).

See as God sees In today's Gospel, Jesus recognizes the blind man as one who has been made in God's image and likeness. Jesus demonstrated God's goodness to all by healing the blind man. By giving to Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, we support health programs in Honduras and around the world, which continue the healing work of Jesus and demonstrate God's love for all of our human family.

We wish to acknowledge the following:

A bequest from the Estate of Mary T. Sullivan in the amount of **\$100,000.00** was recently received to be used for supporting the Tuition Assistance Fund of Epiphany School.

Also Epiphany Church was designated as a beneficiary of a donation in the amount of **\$10,581.74** of the J. Clark & Mary Rita Van Bloom CRUT.

Homemade Goodies to follow 10AM Mass today at Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

MASS ATTENDANCE

March	5/6	12/13	19/20	26/27
4:00pm	298	280	296	212
8:00am	161	131	147	141
9:30am	216	215	244	228
10:00am	60	88	73	68
11:00am	212	223	227	256
TOTAL	947	937	987	905

EPIPHANY SCHOOL NEWS

"A School to Believe In"
Pre-K (3 & 4 year olds) to Grade 8
www.epiphany-school.net

Registration for the 2011-2012 school year is currently underway. Catholic Tuition will apply for all families registered in the newly consolidated Epiphany Parish. Tuition Assistance will be considered for ALL families that qualify. To see if you are eligible please contact the school office. Call the school (888-5802) and make arrangements to tour our facility and learn about our programs.

March Support Our School Monthly Envelope
 totaled: \$1,034.00 from 73 supporters
 2011 year to date: \$3,141.00

EPIPHANY SCHOOL CASH CLUB

\$1,000.00 RAFFLE TICKET

WEEK #27 WINNER:

358

Sherrye Sefeik

Annual Lenten Food Drive is underway. Food collection boxes will be in the vestibule of Epiphany Church and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel as well as the School Lobby. **Week of April 3-10 we are collecting soup.**

March IHM Silver Circle winners sold by Sister Anne were: Lee Berrettini and Wilma Baumgartner. Both won \$50.00 each.

Epiphany School Drama Club proudly presents: **Hillbilly Reunion (comedy)** The Hawleys, decide to pay a surprise visit to their California cousin. They couldn't have picked a worse time. Find out why on: Friday, April 8th and Saturday, April 9th at 7:00 P.M.

Advance ticket purchase:

Adults - \$3.00 Children \$1.00 Under 5 free

Ticket purchase at door:

Adults - \$4.00 Children \$2.00 Under 5 free

2011 Epiphany Parish Bus Trip to Vermont. Dates being: August 15-19 (5days-4nights) Staying at the famous Cascade Lodge in Killington, Vermont. For additional information contact Louise Angelo. Fliers can also be found on the table at the front entrance of the Church.

Epiphany Church Hall Bingo: April 7, 2011

Team #4: Kitchen: Reid, Smith, Sherman/Simpson, Ackley.

Floor: Ackley, McNamara, Lewis, Moorehead, Fauver, Osmond.

SMOKE FREE BINGO GAMES BEGIN at 6:15pm

**Catholic Community of the Epiphany
Stewardship, as a way of Life**

It is NOT based on the need of the Church, but on OUR need to give based on OUR relationship with God. It is an internal part of OUR spiritual lives, and we give out of OUR gratitude to God for what WE have received.

The difference is in the result of the giving:

COLLECTION March 26/27

Envelopes:	\$ 8,808.00
Loose:	\$ 1,394.00
Building Fund:	\$ 57.00
TOTAL:	\$10,259.00

Second Collection: \$1,133.00

Total Envelopes issued:869

Total Envelopes used: 540

Parish Registration at 772 households.

Because we are a new parish, all members of our Catholic Community must register. Forms can be found in vestibule of all worship sites, on our parish web site and also at the parish office. All information is confidential. Help, if requested, will be available by calling the Parish Office at 888-9641.

Lenten Regional Penance Services:

- April 10: 2pm St. Mary's; Wyalusing
4pm St. Basil's; Dushore
- April 17: 2pm St. Michael's; Canton
4pm SS. Peter & Paul; Towanda
- April 19: 7pm Epiphany; Sayre

Youth Group News: Next meeting April 10 in the Church Basement Sunday afternoon right after the 11:00am Mass. We'll be discussing the National Youth Rally in Indianapolis, IN (November), Light the Fire Youth Rally June 29.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP (7/31 through 8/6) We are looking for sponsors for the participants of the mission trip. The Habitat Fee is \$150 per person, room and board is \$150 per person. Please consider supporting our teens. There are 15 spots reserved (3 adults and 12 teens). We are also in need of bottled water, and other supplies for the trip. We will be joining in with other parishes from the Diocese of Scranton to form a group of over 80 teens. Any teens interested in going on the trip should sign up now. Our slots will fill up quickly so please send me an email to get the forms and sign up right away. There are teens from the other parishes on a waiting list. To sign up now for the Summer Mission trip.

Call or email Davidscheftic@yahoo.com, 888-5766 Got any Spring odd jobs our teens could help out with? Maybe some branches fell during the recent heavy snows or the lawn needs to be picked up and readied for spring; Send me a note davidscheftic@yahoo.com or give me a call 888-5766.

IMPORTANT SACRAMENT DATES for the

Parish: April 28th at 5pm the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Dougherty as Conferring Bishop. May 7th at 10am the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Confirmation Candidates Schedule

Tuesday, April 19th confessions 7:00pm
Sacred Triduum
Holy Thursday, April 21: Mass at 7pm
Good Friday, April 22: Service at 12:30pm
Holy Saturday, April 23: Easter Vigil at 8pm

REHEARSALS

Monday, April 25: 4:00pm to 5:30pm (Candidates)
Tuesday, April 26: 4:00pm to 5:30pm (Candidates)
Wednesday, April 27: 4:00pm to 5:30pm
(Candidates and Sponsors)

CONFIRMATION

Thursday, April 28: 5:00pm (Bishop Dougherty)
Candidates report to Church Hall at 4:15pm

Women's Retreat: May 17,18,19, 2011 at Villa of Our Lady, Mt. Pocono, PA. Staffed by the Bernadine Franciscan Sisters. Retreat given by Fr. Basil Wallace, OSB. Total cost - 3 days - private room \$150.00/shared room \$125.00; includes all meals and snacks. Transportation by Coachmaster Bus. Cost of the bus is determined by the number of people going. Prior to the retreat, for those wishing there will be a drop off at Mt. Airy Casino, across the street from the Retreat Center. Additional information call Carol Bailey (570) 882-1240.

Parish Registration: You must be a registered member of Epiphany Parish to receive Baptism, Confirmation, First Penance, First Holy Communion, Marriage and to receive sponsor letters from the pastor.

New Members: Please stop by or call the parish office and register. (If you are leaving the parish, please notify the office before you leave). Thank you.

The Altar and Rosary Society meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 1PM from September to May, in the Church Hall. All women of the parish are welcome.

Parish Altar And Rosary Society is selling PA Evening Lottery tickets for the month of May. Tickets are \$10.00 each with 2 numbers per ticket. All proceeds to benefit the works of the Altar & Rosary Society. Tickets are available after weekend Masses; in the rectory office; or from any member of the society.

Easter Flower Offering Envelope can be found in your March envelope pack. All names will be printed in the Easter bulletin. This is a wonderful way for all to remember our loved ones during this most beautiful time of the year. Suggested donation is \$10.00.

The Legion of Mary open to both men and women meet weekly at Epiphany Church Hall on Tuesdays at 2:00 pm.