

# The Church of Epiphany

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



## Parish Staff

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## Our Church Gathers for Celebration of the Eucharist

ON SUNDAY at 8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 Noon  
ON SATURDAY 9:00 am and Vigil of Sunday, at 5:00 pm  
ON WEEKDAYS Monday thru Saturday at 9:00 am  
ON HOLIDAYS Mass as Announced

Fri.	Jan. 1	Solemnity of Mary
Sun.	April 4	Easter
Thurs.	May 13	Ascension Thursday
Sun.	Aug. 15	Assumption of Mary
Wed.	Dec. 8	Immaculate Conception
Sat.	Dec. 25	Christmas

## The Sacrament of Penance

On Saturday at the Church 3:30 to 4:30 pm or by appointment anytime.

## Rectory / Parish Office

615 Thiele Road, Brick Township, NJ 08724

732-458-0220

FAX: 732-458-0855

Office Hours Mon.-Fri. 9:00 am to 12:30 pm  
And 1:30 to 5:00 pm

Home Page Website: [www.churchofepiphany.org](http://www.churchofepiphany.org)

## Religious Education

Office Hours 732-785-0872  
Mon.-Fri. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

## Sacrament of Baptism

The sacrament of Baptism is ordinarily celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month at 1:15p.m. We emphasize sacramental preparation consisting of a four part Parish Baptism Process, in which the infant is always present. To schedule Baptism, please call the church office, **at least one month in advance.**

## Letters of Recommendation

Letters of Recommendation to act as sponsors will be issued only to parishioners who attend Mass regularly, are confirmed and if married, are married in the Church. To help us make this judgment, we expect you to be registered with us for 3 months. Weekly use of envelopes (with or without a contribution) also helps. To arrange for Letters of Recommendation or Baptismal certificates, please call the parish office during office hours.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Saturday at 11:00 am, 12:30 pm, 2:00 pm. Necessary preparations require that arrangements be made one year in advance.

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, July 3, 2010

9:00AM Merritt Lorentzen by Dan Erwin  
5:00PM Lorraine Stoeber by Jeanne Cleary  
The People of the Parish

### Sunday, July 4, 2010

8:00AM Therese den Hartog by Ricciardi Family  
10:00AM Mary Walsh by Ann White  
12:00N Dayna Fidler by Pat & Tillie Tracey

### Monday, July 5, 2010

9:00AM Tom Dewan by wife, Gladys

### Tuesday, July 6, 2010

9:00AM Ed Aulisi by Aulisi Family

### Wednesday, July 7, 2010

9:00AM Therese den Hartog by Hank & Evelyn Filipek

### Thursday, July 8, 2010

9:00AM Carlo Barbara by the Lysy Family

### Friday, July 9, 2010

9:00AM Richard Grasso by Patti Toris

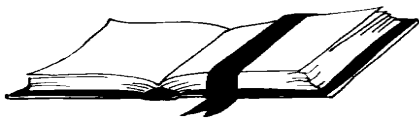
### Saturday, July 10, 2010

9:00PM Eugene Clifford by wife, Alberta  
5:00PM John Goffred by his wife

### Sunday, July 11, 2010

8:00AM Jack Newitt by Mary Ellen Gallagher  
10:00AM Julio Campos by daughter Maria  
12:00N Audrey Ball by the Ertel Family

### *Sunday Scripture*



Here are next Sunday's Scripture readings  
Read and reflect on them in your Bible this week

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dt. 30:10-14

Col. 1:15-20

Lk. 10:25-37

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, July 5, 2010- Parish Office Closed

8:15AM MM Novena & Rosary (Mon. thru Sat.)  
9:00AM Mass - Monday thru Saturday  
9:30AM Parish Wellness  
4:00PM NO ADORATION

### Tuesday, July 6, 2010

9:00AM Helping Hands packout #1 Kit.  
7:30PM JOY Prayer Group PH #1

### Wednesday, July 7, 2010

12:00N St. Vincent de Paul PPH#1  
7:00PM Learn to Knit 'N Crochet APR  
7:00PM S.D.W. PH #2  
8:00PM K of C Officers Meet. PH#3

### Thursday, July 8, 2010

6:30PM Baptismal Gathering WA/APR

### Friday, July 9, 2010

9:30AM Parish Wellness AV  
5:00PM Wed. Reh. WA  
6:00PM Wed. Reh. WA  
7:15PM Altar Server Training WA  
8:00PM A.A. APR

### Saturday, July 10, 2010

8:15AM Morning Prayer & Rosary  
2:00PM Mills/Rodgers Wed. WA

### Sunday, July 11, 2010 -

1:15PM Baptisms WA  
3:00PM Boland/Mustardo Wed. WA  
7:00PM H.S. Youth Group

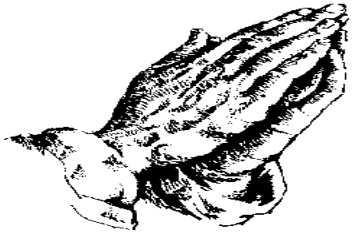
\*2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Diocesan Assessment

### Hospitality after all Masses

#### PLEASE:

Inform the parish office if you change your address or receive duplicate mailings. If you are interested in joining our parish, please fill out a parish registration card. They are available in the church foyer.

Is an upcoming Mass being offered for your departed loved one? If so, it would be especially meaningful for your family to present the gifts during the Offertory Procession of that Mass. Please notify the parish office one week before the Mass date and we'll be sure that you are scheduled. When you arrive for Mass on that date, please identify yourself to the Greeters who will then give you the necessary instructions.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please let us know in the parish office when someone's name should be removed from the spoken or bulletin printed sick list due to their recovery, or other prayers answered, or in the case of one's death: Nicholas Ferrante, Henry Asch, Sr. Dorothea, Dennis Stryker, Evelyn Rogers, Kathleen McGonigle, Edward Gelormino, Frank Radosti, Peter Bothner, Elaine Sharkey, Margaret Latvala, Gary Horan, Jr., John Doorhos, Gladys Ann Thorensen, Deacon Bill Heard, Florence Vogel, Sr. Eileen Bradshaw, Beth Ferrante, Bill Martinez, Vera & Ed Baumgart, Elizabeth Mook, Cheryl Robinson, Margaret Ruff;



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We shall be hosting a **free summer lunch program** for children and their families on the **4 Wednesdays in July** and the **first 2 Wednesdays in August** at the Parish Hall Rm#1. We need volunteers who can help prepare, serve and/or clean-up after lunch. Anyone interested, please call the Parish Office at 732-458-0220.

If you are planning to attend our summer lunch program, Please call the parish office so that we can get some idea as to how many families we are planning to serve.



## Remember Those who Have Died

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 including:  
**TILLEY TRACEY; JOHN BARTHOLOMEI;  
CAROLYN NOVAK**

Father, grant that we who are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, may realize the depth of our needs, respond more spontaneously to the suffering of others and come to love You more deeply by service to our neighbor. Amen.

**Notice:** Epiphany's St. Vincent DePaul Society is planning to have a clothing drive sometime in October. All useable and wearable clothing will be accepted. More details will follow in up-coming bulletins.

## WELCOME



*THROUGH THE HOLY WATERS OF BAPTISM*

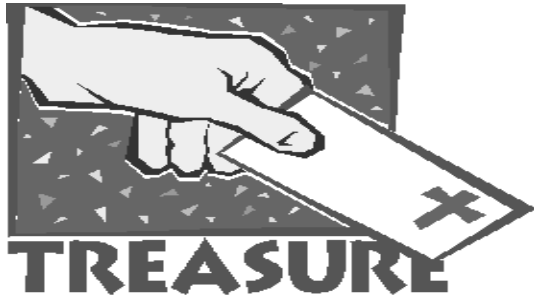
**BRENDAN JOSEPH BARTH  
HAIDEN GERARD GOURLEY  
BRODY JAMES ERDMAN**

## Thank You!

Dear Epiphany Family,

"Thank you" seems so inadequate in expressing the deep gratitude I feel for all of you who supported my family and me as we bid farewell to our dear mother, Tillie Tracey. Your prayers, Mass cards, donations, visits to the wake and participation in Mom's funeral Mass overwhelmed us. I feel as though I am embraced in a big, warm Epiphany hug. Mom has been Epiphany since our parish was established. She loved all the friends she made and the events they shared through the Martha Mary Society and MAGI. Epiphany truly is people; full of living faith, compassion and supportive love. I am now and always will be grateful for being part of you.

With all my heart,  
Pat Tracey



**Donations From June 27, 2010**

Registered Families	3212
# of families using envelopes	336
Envelope Contributions	\$3,905.00
Loose money & checks	\$1,748.00
Total weekly contributions	\$5,653.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$1,223.00
Total amount deposited	\$6,876.00

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

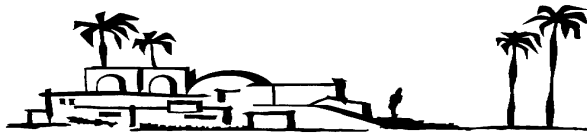
We have received 186 pledges.

**Our goal:** \$48,000.00

**Pledged to date:** \$46,042.00

**Still Needed:** \$1,958.00

\*Weekly contributions necessary to support our parish: **\$8,623 .00**



**Journey to Egypt and the Holy Lands**

Sept. 27 - Oct. 9, 2010

Come join Fr. Bernardino (Spiritual Chaplain) on a 12-day pilgrimage to Cairo, Mt. Sinai, the Dead Sea, Jerusalem and Tiberias. This is a wonderful opportunity to create unforgettable memories to cherish and to treasure, having experienced the bible come to life.

\$2,699+tax from JFK (based on double occupancy)

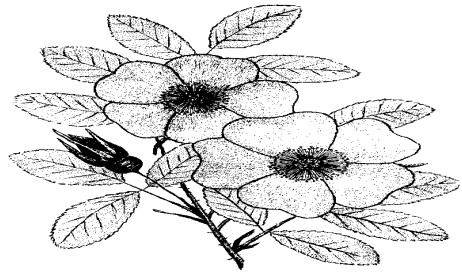
For more information please contact:

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**ALTAR FLOWERS**



Flowers may be placed on the altar during the week for a loved one or in honor of someone. The donation is \$10.00. We will be able to accept two requests per week and the intentions will be published in the bulletin. Arrangements can be made in the Parish Office.

**For the week beginning July 4, 2010**

**Request #1:** In honor of the deceased members of the military requested by Ken Cope on behalf of the Knights of Columbus Council #8160

**Request #2:** In honor of all Police, Medical and Emergency Personnel requested by Ken Cope.



*Vigil Light Prayer*

Lord, May this candle be a light for You to enlighten me in my difficulties and decisions. May it be a fire for You to burn out of me all pride, selfishness and impurity. May it be a flame for You to bring a warmth into my heart towards my family, my neighbors and all those who meet me.

Through the intercession of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary, I place in your care those I come to remember.

**For the week beginning July 4, 2010**

The Vigil Lamp in front of the **Tabernacle** is in loving memory of Merritt Lorentzen requested by his wife, Evelyn.

The Vigil Lamp in front of the **Blessed Mother** is in loving memory of Maria Battaglia requested by Pat Peck;

The Vigil Lamp in front of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** is in loving memory of Tillie Tracey requested by Fr. Bernardino and Staff;

The Vigil Lamp in front of **St. Joseph**

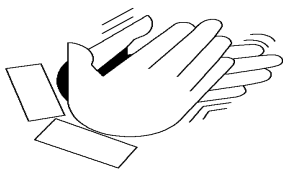
## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

Our first fund-raising event "*Change for Epiphany*" began last weekend with the start of our "Vacation Bible School". We distributed a purse/pouch to anyone who wanted to participate. There are still additional purses available if you did not get one last weekend. This fundraiser will end next weekend. Please return the purses as we will be doing this again this year. There is a 'well' in the commons area into which you can put your purse. Also, last weekend we announced the "**Commemorative Brick Campaign**". There is an insert in this week's bulletin explaining this fundraiser. Please stop in the commons area and take a look at the sample "brick" that you can purchase. We thank you for your participation in these events to help our Parish grow.

### OUR BRAND NEW FUNDRAISER CHANGE FOR EPIPHANY



We will provide each parishioner who chooses to participate in this fundraiser with a purse/pouch in which you can put your "spare change" - *Change for Epiphany*. There will be a designated container in the Commons Area and any day that your purse is full you may drop it off. At the end of two weeks all purses will be collected because we intend to do this particular fundraiser twice a year. Please consider supporting this endeavor that we are undertaking for our parish as part of a needed plan of action in order for us to comply with our Diocesan obligations.



Applause and Thank You Very Much to...  
The businesses that help to support our community by advertising on the back of our bulletin. We hope that, in return, our parishioners will turn to the back of the bulletin when in need of services.



Dear Lord,

On this Independence Day we are reminded of all those who have sacrificed for our freedom, following the example of your Son, Jesus Christ. Let us not take our freedom, both physical and spiritual, for granted. May we always remember that our freedom was purchased with a very high price. Our freedom cost others their very lives.

Lord, today, bless those who have served and continue to give their lives for our freedom. With favor and bounty meet their needs and watch over their families.

Help us to live our lives in a way that glorifies you, Lord. Give us the strength to be a blessing in someone else's life today and grant us the opportunity to lead others into the freedom that can be found in knowing Christ. Amen.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Jesus said to his disciples: "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few, so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

Why do we have so few laborers in the vineyard of the Lord? Why is it that when you see volunteers, it appears to be the same people who come out to share their talent, time and treasures? Why? Because we think that others should do the work for us.

Jesus said: "I come here to serve and not to be served." But sometimes it appears that what we are saying is "We come here to observe and not to serve. Our church of Epiphany will prosper only if each and every parishioner shares their time, talent and treasure with our parish community.

In our baptism Jesus calls us and empowers us to spread the good news of salvation. He gave us the Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide us to a life of faith-filled service to our family and our faith community.

We have been called to be laborers of Christ. We must not be ashamed to go forward and do the Lord's work among our families, friends, neighbors and co-workers and especially our faith community.

Let us take the time to make our faith commitment to do God's work in spreading the good news of love and kindness to our community and to our family. The harvest is plentiful but Jesus needs more laborers.

Jesus is not asking us to give up our present job or to leave home and family to become priests or missionaries. The work that Jesus is asking us to do is to share our love, kindness, time, talent and treasure with our family and our faith community - especially here in our parish of Epiphany.

God gave us so many talents in our life and these talents are a gift from God to us and whatever we do with the talents given to us is our gift to God.

We would like to thank Kieth Godfrey of Boy Scout Troop #38 together with his troop, family and friends who volunteered their

time, talent and treasure in completing his Eagle Scout project which involved cleaning and painting the parking lot and designing a prayer garden at the back of the church near the window of the confessional room.

I would like to thank Joseph Mignone, together with the Knights of Columbus, for making our Parish Picnic the faith-filled, family-oriented experience that it was.

This weekend we celebrate the 'fourth of July' our 'Independence Day.' This is our proudest national holiday as we remember the determination of our founding fathers to establish a country that respected the inalienable rights of each citizen.

We all love our country as good Christians; good Catholics and as good Americans. We pray that the quest to preserve and nurture the spiritual dimension of our nation might always overcome the temptation to let materialism dominate our land.

Our founding fathers were convinced that the hand of God was responsible for the success of the Revolutionary War as well as for establishing our Constitution.

Faith in God and the determination to live his law is the basis of our country regardless of the particular denomination of our founders. That is why on our coinage they put "In God we trust," and "We are under God, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." God Bless

*Peace,  
Fr. Bernardino*

