

THE STAR

FEBRUARY 2018



Church of the epiphany

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BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Parish Office 247-4190
*Prayer requests remain for
6 weeks unless notified*

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays
8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

When I think of the month of February, Valentine's Day always comes to mind. I can't help it. As a teacher, it's another holiday party when the kids get filled with sugar and giggle about getting a card with the word "love" on it from a boy. I have been thinking about how I can teach my students what love really means. When they hear love, it's about kissing and really liking someone. A Christian views it very differently. Love is showing care to all. "Love one another as he loves us," is the true meaning of love. The Lord loves us no matter what mistakes we do, and wants us to show that love to others. To me, this means showing compassion to those who may not see it. Or giving back to the community because it will impact others who need that love and support. This is the love that I want to teach my students this month. Give love and spread love.

God bless,

Cassie Metzinger



FEBRUARY 14, 2018

Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist
12:00 noon & 7:00 p.m.

"Ashes To Go"
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.



PALMS TO ASHES

It's time to bring back the palms you took home last year so we can burn them at the Pancake Supper.

THE BISHOP

The Rt. Rev'd Prince G. Singh

THE MINISTERS

The Congregation

THE VESTRY

Kathie Entress, Warden
Jack Merrick, Warden
Nick Parisi, Treasurer
Jerry Brown, Treasurer
Patty Ornt, Clerk

Kim Hyde
Heidi McGrath
Cassie Metzinger
Don Metzinger

Mike Moffatt
James (Jim) Powers
Margaret Schweizer
Gladys Van Brederode
Laurie Zaso

THE STAFF

Rector: Rev. Jimmie Sue Deppe
Parish Secretary: Faith Weston
Organist: Reyers Brusoe
Sexton: Robert J. Heslin, Sr.
Church School Coordinator: Don Metzinger



FROM THE PARISH REGISTER



Birthdays

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace; strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

February 1 Katherine Woo
February 4 Norma Shannon
February 6 Teagan McKane
February 7 Barb Rafoth
Mary Lou Richmond
February 9 David Bagley
Gretchen Murray
February 11 Valerie Porter

February 12 Heidi McGrath
February 18 Michael Carrier
Susan Gaskill
February 19 Kristin Strong
February 21 Connor Dingee
February 22 Amy Ward
Leah Ornt

February 24 Deb Grasso
Alex Monroe
Gail Schulze
February 25 Eunice Naulin
February 26 Diane Mancini
February 28 Drew Bagley
John Bagley
Alan Ward



CHANGES & ADDITIONS

If you have changes to your contact information, please notify Faith Weston in the Parish Office: 247-4190 or coeoffice@frontier.com

Office hours:

Monday–Friday, 9:30 am–1:30 pm

STAR DEADLINES

Please email **photos** and **articles** to Sue Guglin at coecommunications@frontier.com. Thank you!

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Mailing</u>
March	February 18	February 28
April	March 18	March 28



VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS **DECEMBER 19, 2017**

Vestry Meeting Minutes: - M-S-A to accept the November 21, 2017 minutes.

Treasurers Report: Nick reported that the numbers for December looked good. He reported that we are under budget in almost every expense category. Our 2017 income was more than what was expected. The deficit is expected to be less than \$39,000 for the year. Nick said he thought that we were fiscally responsible with our spending in 2017 and planning for 2018. The endowment fund is doing very well right now.

*The transition to the new bank (Key Bank) wasn't as seamless as originally thought. The transition is expected to be done in February.

Treasurers Report: -M-S-A to accept
Treasurers Report for November 2017.

2018 Budget: The Abundant Life Church, who was renting some of our space, has decided to close down. Their last gathering will be held on 12/27/17. We will decrease the 2018 budget building use income by \$4,140.

*To date we have received pledges for 2018 in the amount of \$130,000.

2018 Budget: -M-S-A to accept 2018 Budget
with amended income amount.

Housing Allowance Resolution: The Housing Allowance resolution that must be entered into the official minutes of the Vestry was presented.

Rector Housing Allowance portion of the 2018 Budget: -M-S-A to accept the Rector
Housing Allowance portion of the 2018 Budget.

MMR: We will start the 30 minutes per Vestry meeting discussions in January.

Vestry Retreat: There will be a retreat for new and existing Vestry members on Friday, February 9 from 6 to 9pm and Saturday, February 10 from 9-3:30pm.

Rector's Report:

*Rev. Jimmie Sue continues to make phone calls and visits to parishioners; she is making about 5 to 7 visits per month.

* Rev. Jimmie Sue has an opportunity to attend an all-expense paid trip to an Evangelism Conference in Cleveland, in March, around the time of the Rummage Sale. She will be gone for two and a half days.

*The Wardens, Jimmie Sue and Nick will begin the Parochial Report in January.

*Jimmie Sue is working with WordPress dealing with the problem of loading sermons.

*Most visitors are finding us on Facebook or from our web site.

*Another Euchre night is being planned; first one was a lot of fun.

*Ask the Rector a question is going well.

*Ryers supplied a Music Report. He is planning an Evensong Service beginning in January ending in the spring, Wednesdays, once a month. He is lining up a cantor and musicians.

REPORTS AND HOUSEKEEPING:

Formation Committee: Don said that about 30 people, including some people from Webster, have signed up for the Boston trip. They need 40 people to make the trip happen. If they don't have 40 people then they may postpone the trip and try another date. The first payment will be due January 7, 2018.

The next Vestry Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7pm. Also, a meeting is planned for Sunday, January 28, 2018 following the Annual Meeting for about an hour.

Submitted by Kathie Entress

Vestry Highlights **January 16, 2018**

Vestry Meeting Minutes: -M-S-A to accept the
December 19, 2017 minutes.

Treasurers Report: -M-S-A to accept
Treasurers Report for December 19, 2017.

Nick reported December was better than expected. Deficit of \$30,000.00. Expenses were all under budget. We will save \$2,000.00 with the new copier and maintenance contract. Endowment fund doing well. It was agreed that quarterly financial reports to the parish was beneficial and should continue.

Treasurers Report: -M-S-A to accept Treasurers Report for December 19, 2017.

Action Items (Require Vestry Action/Vote):

Jimmie Sue discussed information that she had received from Todd Rubiano, CFO of the Diocese, regarding the Sarah A. Jones Fund. The Vestry made a unanimous motion and approved the motion to accept and deposit \$1,000.00 from the Sarah A. Jones Fund from the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester Trustees into a new line item non-operating account, and not into a General Fund. The money will remain in the account until a need is determined.

-M-S-A to take a \$1,000.00 pull from the Sarah A. Jones Fund.

MMR: Discussion was postponed until the February 20, 2018 Vestry meeting.

Vestry Retreat: There will be a Vestry retreat at Church of the Epiphany, for new and existing Vestry members on Friday, February 9, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm and Saturday, February 10, from 9:00am to 3:30pm. Canon Johnnie will be the facilitator.

Rector's Report:

*Jimmie Sue continues to make phone calls and visits.

*Christmas Eve services were lovely. It was great to see extended family members.

* "Degreening" went well. Many hands make light work.

* Deb Grasso and Adam Metzinger were recognized and given gifts for their service to the Vestry and to the Church.

*Vestry members were encouraged to attend the January 31st Café. A representative from the Gates Police Department will speak on church safety and answer questions as requested.

*Adam Metzinger and James D'Anunzio will be recognized at the 10:00 am service on January 21, 2018 for their service to the acolytes.

*Bishop Singh will make his annual visit on Sunday, February 25, 2018. A reception will follow the 10:00 am service.

*Don and Jack have picked the first 6 Red Wing game dates.

REPORTS AND HOUSEKEEPING:

Formation Committee: The Boston trip has been postponed until July due to low enrollment.

Next Meeting Sunday, January 28th after Annual Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail Renehan



DECEMBER 2017 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Income	Dec. YTD	2017 Budget YTD
Pledge & Plate	\$141,247	127,750
Investment Income	23,934	14,500
Flowers	2,164	1,800
Special Offerings	1,845	2,315
Building Use	7,803	5,035
Other	9,218	5,850
<i>Total Income</i>	186,211	157,250
Expenses		
Worship	\$9,110	\$5,855
Formation	1,174	1,900
Diocesan Apportionment	25,758	25,750
Stewardship	5,230	6,700
Other Action	500	750
Youth	986	1,575
Evangelism	2,156	1,800
Oversight	27,268	31,501
Salaries & Benefits	143,668	150,604
<i>Total Expenses</i>	215,848	226,435

Submitted by Nick Parisi, Treasurer



Ask the Rector a Question

FROM THE



Lent is nearly arrived and perhaps you're looking for a Lenten discipline as I am. And perhaps folks have noticed from my sermons that prayer and reflection have been on my mind quite a bit lately.

I've been thinking about how prayer has changed me and changed my life, made me a better person, and keeps me connected and working on my relationship with God. I've been finding that I've had to mix things up a bit in my spiritual life, I was getting a little stuck and having a hard time focusing during prayer.

Also in my reflecting I've been thinking a lot about listening and seeing, how the two go together and complement one another. Which led me to thinking about drawing. I used to love to draw as kid, but as I got older the inner critic got louder and louder until I barely picked up a pencil. I'd dabble here and there or make a "special" drawing for a loved one or close friend but those were few and far between.

So one Monday morning at the library, wandering down the aisles (I love to see what will pull me in), there was a drawing book. I checked it out but I didn't really do anything with it past chapter one. I did however ask for a pencil set for Christmas and got one. Then I used my Christmas money and bought a book called "You Can Draw in 30 Days" by Mark Kistler. And this will be my Lenten practice: gently working on softening my inner critic to find joy once again in drawing. The exercises are 20 minutes every day for 30 days, I think in doing this I will find that my prayer life begins to find its focus again, and perhaps a love of drawing will reemerge.

Blessings,

Rev. Jimmie Sue



This month's question is: When is God coming back to earth?

Response comes from *An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church* and is an excerpt from the definition on salvation. "The gospel proclaims the good news of salvation in Christ (see Jn 3:16-17). We may participate in a saving process of sanctification by which the saving life of Christ is increasingly the reality of our own lives. This process is completed and revealed in Christ, and it is begun in us through faith in him. Completed union with God is the end of this saving process. In Christ, we come to be at one with God. This union with God is not yet completed, and the eschatological [end of times] Kingdom of God is not yet fulfilled. But the coming of the Kingdom of God has been inaugurated by Christ. The Kingdom of God was revealed in Jesus, who ate with outcasts, forgave sinners, healed the sick, and raised the dead (see Lk 5:17-32; Jn 11:1-44).

We are now in the "in between times." We can know the present reality of salvation in Christ, even though the Kingdom of God is not yet complete in our world, our church, or our hearts. The fulfillment of the Kingdom of God is associated with Jesus' second coming in power and glory. Our hope is that all humanity and all creation will be united in God's love in the fullness of time, and that "nothing, not even death, shall separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (BCP, p. 862; see Rom 8:38-39)."

Peace,

Rev. Jimmie Sue



Coffee & Conversation at Leaf & Bean

The next Conversations and coffee or tea with folks and Jimmie Sue is going to be Thursday, March 22nd from 1-2:30 pm at Leaf & Bean on 3240 Chili Ave a little past the Wegmans.

Co-Treasurer Announcement

Nick and Jerry Brown will be our Treasurers, they will be working together for the next year. Sharing Treasurer duties and passing on the daily, monthly, annual knowledge.

A little bit about Jerry: Judy and I came to Epiphany in the fall of 2016 after we moved to Rochester from Hamilton in the Diocese of Central New York. While there, I was involved with financial matters in three parishes as Warden and Vestry member, Treasurer in one parish, and Chair of the Budget and Finance Commission in another. While I was on the Diocesan Board I chaired the Budget Committee. That meant I prepared the annual budget with the Comptroller and then presented it to Convention.

I was also a college professor and administrator. In my time as Dean of Human Resources I developed and monitored the personnel budget.



Candle Blessing

On February 4th when you wear your favorite sports team jersey, bring a canned food item, bring your candles too! We will be blessing candles at this service as a reminder of the light of Jesus in our lives.



Formation Offering -

Have you ever been curious about what the architecture of a church means?

Then join me for 4 sessions of "How to Read Churches: A Crash Course in Ecclesiastical Architecture" by Denis R. McNamara. "The book is a primer is for churchgoers interested in decoding the styles and symbols of religious buildings. Every building contains clues embedded in its design that identify not only its architectural style but also who designed it, what kind of congregation it was built for, and why. This practical yet charming handbook is the key

to decoding the style, history, evolution, and social significance of religious buildings...There is also a useful introduction to naming each component of a church, from vaults to buttresses and transepts to apses. All entries are illustrated with period engravings and line drawings." As we read we will explore our own church and see what we discover.

We will meet on Thursday's at 6:30pm on February 15 and 22; March 1 and 8. The cost of the book is \$14.00. A sign-up sheet is in the main hallway. If you have any questions contact Rev. Jimmie Sue.



Bishop Prince Singh's Annual Visitation – February 25th



It is a pleasure and an honor to have Bishop Prince Singh with us as he preaches and leads us in worship at both of our Sunday Services! Bishop Prince will also be able to join us for a light reception

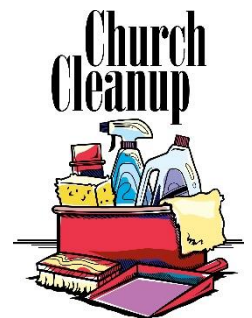
after the 10am service! Be sure to say hello and extend a warm welcome to Bishop Prince ☺

Also, as is our custom, the loose plate offering, will go towards the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. These funds enable Bishop Prince to support many vital ministries, such as, disaster relief, theological education, mission and parish ministries, clergy and their families.



SPRUCE UP DAY

Mark your calendars now for the next Church Spruce Up day. It will be held on Saturday, March 3 beginning at 9:30am till noon. We will be tackling the auxiliary room, bathrooms, and hallways. Many Hands make light work!



Stewardship Highlights

This is the first of monthly articles revolving around Stewardship and specifically Stewardship at Epiphany.

Stewardship Is....

"Stewardship is about being grateful, responsible stewards of the gifts we receive from God." "The Episcopal Church sees stewardship as more than simply contributing money to the church; it's also about contributing time and talents, and volunteering for ministry and mission. It's about reaching out to build relationships from a perspective of abundance instead of scarcity." <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/page/stewardship>



COMING SOON!

Watch Epiphany's website and the STAR to learn more about how we model and live Stewardship in the life of Epiphany.



YOUTH ROOM POOL TABLE



Thank you to Dan Jameson who donated a pool table and accessories for our youth room. We also say thank you to Jack Merrick for the use of his truck. In addition, Steve Entress, Jacob Deppe and James D'Anunzio thanks for being our moving and set up crew.

Kathie Entress



WORSHIP

NEWS



Thank you to those who came out on Saturday, January 6 to de-green the church. We had many that helped, so we were out quick. Thanks again to: Pam Metzinger, Marsha Pulhamus, Kathie Entress, Joe & Barb Woo, Gail & Bob

Renehan, Laurie Zaso, Pauline Ehle, Helen Bennett, Amy & Jimmie Sue Deppe, Kim Hyde.



Church School & J2A Schedule

Class begins at 9:45 a.m.

Sunday, February 4 - Youth Sunday
Sunday, February 11 - Church School
Sunday, February 18 - Church School
Sunday, February 25 - Church School

Sunday, March 4 - NO Church School
Sunday, March 11 - Church School/Empty Rummage Trailer
Sunday, March 18 - Church School
Sunday, March 25 - Church School/Palm Sunday



Souper Bowl Sunday



"Souper" Bowl Sunday- February 4, 2018

The Service ministry team next project will be collecting soups and chili for our "Souper Bowl Sunday" donations that will benefit St. Theodore's food pantry. To add to the festivities of this service project, we encourage parishioners to dress up in sports attire at the conclusion of the collection on **February 4, 2018**. Please look for the collection bin from **January 14- February 4th**. Can we beat last year's collection of 291 cans? Go TEAM!!!



PANCAKE SUPPER

J2A FUNDRAISER

Date: Tuesday,

February 13, 2018

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Where: Church of Epiphany Fellowship Hall

Who: All of Epiphany & friends

Price: Single - \$ 4 Family (4 or more) - \$ 15

Tickets are on sale through Feb. 11. Tickets will also be sold at the door. *This is a fundraiser for the J2A class, so come and bring your friends & support our youth!*



Questions? See Don Metzinger or Elaine Bagley



CHURCH OF EPIPHANY BEER TASTING

TUESDAY - February 13, 2018

8:00 p.m. - After Pancake Supper

Come join us for our first ever beer tasting at Epiphany. We will be tasting 5 different beers, to see if we can come up with a beer we can call our own. The idea is to taste some different homemade beers and see if we want to make one of them our own. If we find one that we like, we can bottle some and use it for special events.

The beer tasting will start around 8:00 p.m., on Tuesday 2/13/18, after the pancake supper.



From the **ORGANIST**



Dear Parishioners:

The Church of the Epiphany will be adding a new opportunity to worship possibly beginning in February- every last

Sunday of the month we will be having an Evensong service! The Evensong is a wonderful part of the Anglo-catholic tradition, originating in the Divine Office (Liturgy of the Hours) that was a large part of the medieval church. It is an evening prayer service, that is an opportunity for prayer and reflection. The service will incorporate anthem singing, Anglican chant psalms, instrumental preludes and of course prayers! It is a wonderful way to prepare oneself for the coming of a new day, and is a spiritually centering and uplifting experience.

It would be lovely to see you all there! We are looking for volunteers to sing in the choir, and if you have any musical gifts you would like to share - we would love for you to be a part of this worshipful experience. More details to follow!

Best Love and Blessing in His Name,

Reyers Brusoe, Organist



FIBER MINISTRY NEWS



Being in the After Christmas - Before Spring Mode with colder days upon us, please consider getting out your fiber projects of any type, knitting, crocheting, quilting, sewing, hand-tying, and starting on the 40 Days of Lent project. After Lent the items will be blessed and distributed within the community. Many hands can make light work and your handiwork will be treasured and enjoyed by the recipients.

Thanks,

Birdie Ames, 293-3733



Exploration Rooms

We have an update about our empty classrooms, or as we call them the Exploration Rooms. A huge thank you to Dan Jameson who donated a pool table for our youth room. The table is the perfect size for this room. Janna Deppe has volunteered to design a mural that will be painted on one of the walls of this space. We are on the lookout for some furnishings for the Meditation/Prayer and the Reading spaces in the larger room. The committee, along with the CCD Team, recently met and are making plans for both rooms, based on the ideas from the congregation. We will continue to provide updates, but in the meantime if you have any questions please see me, Sue Greenauer, or Jimmie Sue.

Kathie Entress



Euchre & Fellowship Fun

Friday, February 16th
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Come join us for an evening of playing cards together in friendly rounds of Euchre. Light refreshments will be available, and everyone is welcome to bring snacks to share. Sign-up sheet on board in hallway.



WOE (Women of Epiphany)

Thursday, February 8, 2018
Annual Winter Potluck
Dinner

Time: 6:30 pm - wine & cheese
7:00 pm - dinner

Bring a dish to pass. - Bring a friend.

All women are welcome - young or old. Sign-up sheet on board in hallway. Questions: See Pam Metzinger



WOE
Annual
Holiday
Party -
1/8

Euchre
Night
Jan. 19



Bird Feeders/Sundaes



Annual
Meeting
Breakfast

1/28





RUMMAGE SALE 2018

Are you thinking Rummage Sale yet? Planning has begun! Watch for the collection trailer to arrive the week of February 5th, and the sign-up poster will be up soon!

Donation Drop-off

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday 9:00 a.m. - noon

Or call to schedule a time.

We need your help:

* Save paper bags (brown grocery bags; all sizes of paper shopping bags with & without handles).

A collection box is in the Auxiliary Room.

* All boxes put into the trailer must be closed all the way (they are easier to stack to utilize storage space). Clothes may be bagged. No furniture goes in the trailer.

* **NO TV's, computers, monitors.**

* **IMPORTANT NEWS** – There will be NO large pickups this year. If you have large items to donate, you will need to get them to church on your own – the day we unload the trailer. Questions about this change, please contact Pam Metzinger.

* **LAST day to bring in items for the sale is:**

TUESDAY, March 13th. NO exceptions!

* Flyers will be ready soon to post around town to advertise the sale.

Saturday, March 10 – Set up the building

Sunday, March 11 after 10 o'clock worship –Unload the trailer

March 12-15 - Sort, arrange & price

Friday & Saturday, March 16 & March 17

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Sell, Sell, Sell!

Saturday, March 17, 5:00 p.m. - Clean up

PERKS for working the Rummage Sale:

- * Fellowship with other parishioners
- * it's FUN !
- * viewing items before they go on sale
- * setting aside previewed items to purchase

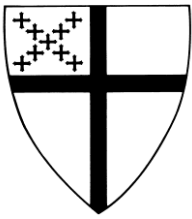
Please do not come to look around on Thursday, when everything is priced & done and expect to shop. The people who have worked all week long deserve that courtesy. Shop on Friday & Saturday when we are open to the public. Thank you for your understanding!

Any questions, please see Pam Metzinger



2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 8:45-9:15 - Breakfast 9:30 AM - HE 10:45 AM - Annual Meeting	29	30 3:30 PM MITE -ESL	31 7:00 -- 8:30 PM Epiphany Cafe	1 6:30 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Liturgy Planning	2 5-7:30 PM Visitation – Jeanne Ghent	3 10:00 AM – Visitation 11:00 AM – Funeral – Jeanne Ghent
4 8:00 AM - HE 10:00 AM - HE, Youth Sunday, Souper Bowl Sunday	5	6 3:30 PM MITE -ESL	7	8 6:30 PM Handbells 6:30 PM -WOE Potluck Dinner	9 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Vestry Retreat	10 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM Vestry Retreat
11 8:00 AM - HE 9:45 AM Church School 10:00 AM- HE	12	13 3:30 PM MITE -ESL 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Pancake Supper 8:00 PM - Beer Tasting	14 12:00 PM - Ash Wednesday Service 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Ashes to Go 7:00 PM - Ash Wednesday Service	15 12:30 PM - ESLC Luncheon 6:30 PM Formation Offering - 6:30 PM Handbells	16 7:00 – 9:00 PM - Euchre	17
18 STAR Deadline 8:00 AM - HE 9:45 AM Church School 10:00 AM - HE	19	20 3:30 PM MITE -ESL 7:00 PM - Vestry	21	22 6:30 PM - Formation Offering 6:30 PM Handbells	23	24
25 Bishop Visitation 8:00 AM - HE 9:45 AM Church School 10:00 AM - HE	26	27 3:30 PM MITE -ESL	28	1 6:30 PM Handbells	2	3



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EPIPHANY HIGHLIGHTS

Souper Bowl Sunday...Feb. 4

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Pancake Supper... Feb. 13

Ash Wednesday... Feb. 14

Euchre Night ...Feb. 16

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