

THE STAR

September 2024



Church of the epiphany

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Parish Office

585-247- 4190

Tue – Fri 8:30 – 12:30

Sunday Worship

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Bulletin Prayer List

***Prayer requests
remain for 6 weeks
unless notified***

VESTRY VIEWS

Hello all,

My name is Mike Grasso and I am currently a member of your vestry at our Church of Epiphany.

In the May vestry meeting, there was a signup sheet being passed around. Among other items on this signup sheet, was a View from the Vestry slot for August. To my surprise I put my name down to share my thoughts.

I find myself asking Why?

Why come to Church of the Epiphany?

Why support this church?

Why is what the church does important?

First a bit of my back story:

When I first came to our church 40 plus years ago it was to get married, and this was the church that my wife grew up in. At this point in my life, this church or that church mattered little to me. I was much younger at this time and did not see much value in a church. My wife and I moved away for a time and left the church only to come back several years later and with our son to raise.

Over time I became a bit more involved with some of the church functions, dinners, light repairs, mowing and the like. I got to know some of the people and started to feel a sense of community. Over time I attended some of the adult worship opportunities and learned a bit more about the spiritual part of the beliefs that we take part in.

So, to try to answer the three Whys.

For me I continue coming to this church for the sense of community and fellowship that exists here. I have learned many things both practical and life skills as well. I do feel that being at this church gives me a support network that is there if I have a need and the opportunity to help others in our church community if needed. Also, there is the opportunity to help those outside of our church community as well.

I support this church because of its history of reaching out into the community. Our church has helped others in the community with money and donations on an ongoing basis. I find

this valuable; it fits what I believe a church should be doing.

As to the importance of what the church does. In my mind this is twofold. First, one never can know the effect that an act of kindness or charity can have on a family or individual. Most of us perhaps have a memory of a kindness done to us, which if viewed from an outside perspective was a small thing. We, however, remember this act and its impact on us at the time.

Second, and I to my mind most importantly, is the effect that performing acts of kindness has on ourselves. We all have different backgrounds and lives, however we all can give of ourselves. This church and the community that has formed within it gives us the opportunity to give back to the larger communities and to the people around us. I believe that these acts help us to be better people.

I would like to finish with a line of dialog from a story that most will recognize:

“Though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that Christmas (Our Church) has done me good and will do me good” Fred from Dickin’s A Christmas Carol.

Be well and thank you

Mike



THE BISHOP

The Rt. Rev'd Kara Wagner Sherer

Don Metzinger, Warden
 Kathie Entress, Warden
 Deb Grasso, Treasurer
 Pat Leshar, Clerk

THE VESTRY

Helen Bennett
 Susan Gaskill
 Donna Perry
 Kristen Smith

THE MINISTERS

The Congregation

Lisa Steubing
 Mike Grasso
 Nick Parisi
 Margaret Schweizer

THE STAFF

Rector: Fr Greg Kremer
 Parish Secretary: Maureen Durie

Organist: Robert Poovey
 Church School Coordinator: Don Metzinger



FROM THE PARISH REGISTER



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.

Sept. 1 Marsha Pulhamus Birdie Ames	Sept. 15 Mike Grasso	Sept. 30 Cristian Janiz Long Cyn Parisi
Sept. 2 Amanda Steubing	Sept. 17 Rachael Steubing Ryan Steubing	Oct 1 Laurie Zaso Tammy Weber- D'Angelo
Sept. 4 Ann Pillman Jack Phillips Mark D'Anunzio	Sept. 18 Camaria Long	Oct. 2 Jody Parisi
Sept. 5 Nickey Miller	Sept.19 Judith Longhouse	Oct. 4 Mark Durkin
Sept. 6 Emily Klinzing-Cirino	Sept. 20 Emily Van Scooter	
Sept. 9 Mike Parisi	Sept. 22 Anothy Perry	
Sept. 14 Margaret Smith	Sept. 24 Doug Craig	

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church. Send your blessing upon these your servants that they may so love, honor and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and godliness, that their homes may be havens of blessing and peace. Amen.

Sept. 3 Mike & Jody Parisi	Sept. 16 Laurie & Jim Zaso
Sept. 8 Bill & Pat Leshner	Sept. 26 Pat & Heidi McGrath
Sept. 9 Bill & Marian Chapman	Sept. 28 Joe & Barb Woo
Sept. 15 Mike & Deb Grasso	

CHANGES & ADDITIONS

If you have changes to your contact information, please notify Maureen Durie in the Parish Office: 247-4190 or coeoffice@frontier.com Office hours: Tuesday–Friday, 9:00 am–1:00 pm



Dear Epiphany Parishioners,

As you may be aware, we are engaged in a prayerful Discernment and Planning process to help us determine directions for our parish in the coming months and years.

It is important to us that you understand what is happening every step of the way and participate in the process. Let me take this opportunity to share what we are doing in a little more detail.

At the direction of the Vestry, a small group of talented parishioners including Heidi McGrath, Kim Hyde, Blaine Kaercher, Margaret Schweizer, Nick Parisi and myself, have begun a prayerful process, with the consultative help of the Reverend Julie Cicora, to set clear, attainable and measurable goals and objectives for the parish.

As we gather data and discuss our options, we are taking our time to pray together regularly and watch for signs of the Spirit’s guidance. At each of our meetings we have read and discussed the lessons from the book, “Grounded in God: Listening Hearts Discernment for Group Deliberations”.

We are using what is referred to as the Appreciative Inquiry (AI) theory of change management, which is designed to build on our strengths. In other words, rather than identifying a particular problem and then trying to find a fix, the AI approach asks, “What do we appreciate most about our parish, what are our strengths, what do we do well, and what do we have to offer the world?”, then builds a strategic plan on that. As the old song goes... *“You gotta Ac-cent-tchu-ate the positive, E-lim-i-nate the negative, latch on to the affirmative”*.

Here is a rough outline of our approach...

Step One: Discern the strengths of the parish and what are parishioners’ primary interests and social concerns.

To this end, we are organizing numerous small groups where parishioners will enjoy each other’s company while you share what you find special about Epiphany, why you joined the parish, and what gets you up on Sunday morning to come to church. In addition, we will ask you to identify your greatest social concerns.

After this data has been gathered and studied, we should have a good idea of our strengths and resources, as well as where our primary concerns lie. We will share the results back to everyone. At this point, we will invite the Rev. Julie Cicora to come to help us process the information, and address steps two and three.

- Step Two: Take a look at our three primary baptismal vows to see how we're doing.**
Our baptismal vows frame our vocation or calling in the world. The question is, how well are we keeping these vows, which include:
1. Proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ.
 2. Seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves.
 3. Strive for justice and peace among all people, respecting the dignity of every human being.
- Step three: See what emerges in the conversation between steps one and two.**
We will look to find connections with what's happening around us, e.g. in Gates, and determine how, in response to our baptismal promises, we can use our strengths to take action in areas of greatest interest to our parishioners.
- Step four: Determine specific goals and objectives for the parish**
We will translate possible actions, from Step Three, into measurable goals. Once several goals (2-4) have been set we will seek the approval of vestry and then disseminate the plan to the entire parish and work with those involved in the implementation thereof.
- Step five: Implement and evaluate progress**
We will monitor progress along the way and hold an annual evaluation of the goals, adjusting as appropriate,

This is our plan to follow the Spirit into the future. It is a work in progress, and we will keep you posted as it morphs and changes.

Sincerely,

Fr Greg

Stewardship

Our Stewardship campaign this year is focused on our Baptismal Covenant and everything it promises. The Covenant is a solemn and binding agreement between us, our community, and God. The Stewardship season tends to focus on money, but it is more than a monetary donation. It is about what our gifts can do for the world. Jesus calls us to heal, visit, feed, protect, and love our neighbor. Sharing our time, talent, and treasure is the way that we make this happen. How will you share your gifts with God's people? For four weeks beginning on 9/15 we will have presentations from different parish groups discussing what they do and how it fulfills our covenant. The campaign will end on 10/6 COMMITMENT SUNDAY. The Discernment team is having a church wide breakfast on 9/22, so there will be no breakfast on 10/6. You will receive a letter in the mail with a commitment card, please pray and discuss it with your family. There are two sides to the form, and it would be appreciated if you could bring your pledge cards to church by 10/6/2024. If you have any questions, please contact your Stewardship team members: Deb Grasso at deborah.a.grasso2@gmail.com or Kim Hyde at khyde521@gmail.com



VESTRY MINUTES JUNE 18, 2024

Present: Fr. Greg, Don Metzinger, Kathie Entress, Susan Gaskill, Mike Grasso, Heidi McGrath, Nick Parisi, Donna Perry, Kristen Smith, Margaret Schweizer, Lisa Steubing, Pat Lesher

Absent: Helen Bennett, Deb Grasso

Opening Prayer: Fr. Greg opened with prayer. Vestry meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

BUSINESS:

1. Approve May Vestry Minutes. A motion was made to approve May 21, 2024, Minutes. M-S-A
2. Finance Report and Motion to Approve. Deb submitted the Treasurer's Report via e-mail. Mike reported that income was under budget, but so were expenses. Don reported that tips were \$500 from the Red Wings' games for Tuesday and Sunday. Also, as part of our fundraising we will be receiving a check for \$1200 from the Red Wings. A motion was made to approve the Finance Report. M-S-A
3. Team for Parish Audit 2023. Vestry will have to select and approve the team. Audit due end of June. Vestry needs to approve the Audit so we can submit it by the end of the month. The team is composed of Kathie, Nick and Dave with Deb and Bruce available to answer questions as they go over all the information requested by the Diocese for the Parish Audit 2023. The procedure for filling out this many pages form was discussed and reviewed with Fr. Greg and Vestry. Once the Team has completed the required information, the Certificate of Parish Audit along with appropriate Bank Statements, Treasurer's Report, Epiphany Records of Checking, Savings and Investment balances as of 12/31/23 will be submitted to the Diocese. A motion was made to approve Certificate of Parish Audit w/pending amendments and changes. M-S-A
4. Paychex Update. A meeting has yet to be set up to address the issue discussed in the May Vestry Minutes.
5. Safe Church Training - Church Sexual harassment. Kathie will send emails soon to let know who has completed training. Fr. Greg discussed what is expected from them and he believes he has finished. Kathie can see who has completed the training and will send them on. Kathie said this job sort of fell into her lap so it's a work in progress on her part.
6. Internet update/Spectrum/Phones-updates. Don reported that 2 repeaters have been installed, one inside the church the other down the hall. So now we have 2 in the hallway and 1 in the church. The strength of the signal is great all around this area and into Robert's office. This past Sunday Pete was having

problems videoing in the church, message that there was a slow connection. Kathie mentioned this has happened with her too, but if you don't fiddle around with it all will be fine. The extender is about 10 feet away so there shouldn't be an issue. As far as Don knows everything is good with the streaming right now.

7. Strategic Planning. Fr. Greg reported the name has been changed to Parish Discernment. Discernment being the key factor, listening to God's direction. We had a meeting scheduled but several couldn't make it. Since we are a small group and two were missing, it didn't make sense to meet. A meeting will be held tomorrow night with all in attendance. It is taking a little while longer than imagined getting under way.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Small group updates.

a) Social Media. Margaret commented that Kim is doing a great job with pictures and posts on Facebook.

b) Adult Formation. Kathie reported there is nothing scheduled for now. She did get a suggestion from Kristen about the Oakland Migrant Ministry/Brockport, possibly speaking at a Wednesday night cafe about their ministry. We did have a meeting with the Turkish Cultural Center to discuss a Potluck picnic to be held at Epiphany. This will be held at a Wed night cafe in September, starting with dinner and then conversation. Fr. Greg is still working on the evening, but they are excited as we are about the interaction. Fr. Greg said we want to make sure we're not the givers and they are the receivers; we are equals gathering together. Marsha has suggested perhaps we could do a service project related to something that's important to them in the upcoming months.

c) Liturgy Planning. Fr. Greg reported they haven't met yet. They will meet in late Summer to plan all the services through the Fall.

d) Welcome. Donna reported she had talked with Laurie. She does greet and welcome newcomers. Whatever information she gathers she gives to Maureen. Fr. Greg will talk with Laurie about how we can nurture people into membership in the Church potentially. We do have some new young families. Recently we just had a couple formally join the church. Coming from a Lutheran background and after exploring all area churches, they decided on Epiphany. How do we encourage parishioners to really welcome newcomers into the Church? There are welcoming bags distributed with what Epiphany has to offer. Fr. Greg offered we could have a general announcement to anybody who is new and may not yet have an opportunity to join our parish. If you would like to, here's how you do it. Just keep it as an opportunity to generically work it into a sermon.

e) Youth. Sue reported on July 6, there is going to be a campfire. In September J2A will meet on 1st and 3rd Sun and on 2nd Sun all meet together. They would like another volunteer teacher for Sunday School especially with the age difference between the children. Sunday School begins September 8.

2. Property and Liability insurance. Kathie met with the person from the insurance to discuss our policy. They have a pole barn listed as a storage shed. We gave them the dimensions of the storage shed and pole barn, talked about the value of the contents and the value of the buildings. Discussed raising the deductible but the saving was minimal and decided to leave as is. The cost did go up this year \$976 over last year but reflects the changes we made and is a better fit. It was the first time in many years that the policy has been reviewed. They did give us credit towards our account because we were in good standing. So, insurance has been updated to adequately cover any losses.

3. Sound System. Fr. Greg reported last month we approved \$500 for updating the sound system. He spent \$500 and we have all the equipment in the house ready to go. The sound will come straight out of the microphones out of the mixer into the computer that's going to live stream. He gave further details on how the sound system will work and how it will be more effective. He is working with Kim who has put PowerPoints on multiple projects. They will do a dry run, lay it out, set up the equipment before installing it to make sure it all runs. Then they will need a team of people to install all the wires, drill holes in concrete etc. So, the project is moving forward and he's very hopeful about this helping with the future of the church.
4. Organ update. So, the question of the organ and how long will it last. Robert was able to go to CT and play the organ in question. He said it would be an incredible upgrade for us. Will put this info on hold for now. Robert said there haven't been any issues with organ this past Sunday. Discussion ensued about if we did purchase the pipe organ where and how it would be installed. Also discussed what are the future participants in the church going to be looking for in a service - pipe organ, guitar and drums or something else. Since this will be a decision that will last for decades, we should discern now what direction as a church we are going. Further discussion followed about monies available to fund a pipe organ within Epiphany and the diocese if we went in that direction. If our organ does suddenly die, we have an electric keyboard and piano that we can fall back on.
5. Parish grant - update. Kathie reported that we got an email this week saying that the financial information we sent out was outdated information Not sure what happened, but Deb is working on the new financial information which will be re-submitted. Kathie will make sure everything is updated on the computer. The information will be back to them before they meet again on July 3. Fr. Greg got a call on the Mission Partnership Grant that we submitted that is in consideration. Also asked if they are a 501c3 and they are so they meet the criteria. So, we should hear affirmation in the near future.
6. Street sign - update. Mike reported that Don has offered to help him and it should be completed tomorrow morning.
7. 12 Step program. Fr. Greg said the 12-step program has been meeting here the last couple of weeks. The signup (to unlock the front door until the person comes, then lock the door and leave) looks good all the way through September. They gave us a nice donation and will probably give us approximately \$40/month.
8. Update on Turkish Community Center. Discussed under the above: Adult Formation.
9. Common cup and Altar railing. Fr. Greg asked for thoughts on how to address this issue. Don commented he had some feedback from a parishioner who attends an Episcopal Church while she's in Fl. for the winter. Discussion followed., i.e. kneeling or standing at altar rail for wafer, taking the wine from the common cup or going to a table set up with little cups for wine or not taking the wine in either fashion. The diocese recommends not dunking wafer in wine as it is more unsanitary than drinking and wiping the edge. After much discussion about the common cup and also using little cups. Fr Greg suggested we try kneeling or standing at the altar rail, taking the wafer then the wine from a common cup. Before communion they offer the option of not taking the common cup after the bread but have the little cup option at a table by the Columbarium administered by Eucharistic Minister or they don't have to take the wine at all. It's still a full communion. Discussion ensued how the ushers would be involved in letting

people out for communion which led to Kathie proposing a training session for ushers, greeters, eucharistic ministers and acolytes and what all their duties are. A training session will be scheduled for July 14 after 10:00 service. At the July 14 services, it will be announced to the congregation that we are returning to the altar rail for communion the following Sunday, July 21, 2024.

10. Fr. Greg reported we are moving to Church Windows. Kim found a way to pull out several reports that we use from Church Windows so that we don't need the Directory anymore. Church Windows can produce that and the birthday list. So, we're going to get the data in Church Windows. Church Windows can be sectioned off so only the pledge clerk sees the pledge information. Maureen and Fr. Greg and whatever else needs it can get the contact information that includes name, address, phone, email address, date of birth and anniversary date. Kim has worked on creating reports we need. She is going through A to Z cleaning up the deck. She has put in a lot of time and energy with a lot of help from Mike to get this in order. We are moving in a good direction. We just have to make sure Maureen knows how to use it; she is an amazing support person. Hats off to Kim for this and the live streaming, the camera and sound systems as well.

11. Kathie inquired if we are doing Vestry Views for the STAR and is the Vestry meeting in July. There will be one STAR July/August for the Summer. Mike has signed up for Vestry Views for August. August is closer to the beginning of the Sunday School year and other things that need to be discussed for the Fall. A motion was made to skip the July meeting and meet on August 20. M-S-A

Fr. Greg closed with a prayer. The Vestry meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next meeting will be on August 20, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Leshner, Clerk of the Vestry

Vestry View STAR – Mike



SEPTEMBER SERVICE MINISTRY PROJECT

A big thanks to all parishioners for the donated school supplies for Hope Hall School. Hope Hall School is a private school located on 1612 Buffalo Road and was created to help students with special learning needs. The staff of Hope Hall was very appreciative of Epiphany's generous donation of school supplies for their students.

In September, Adult Formation and the Service Ministry are coordinating a Potluck dinner on Wednesday, September 18th at 6pm with the members of the Turkish Cultural Center. It was the Turkish Cultural Center (TCC) that reached out to Epiphany last Christmas to see if we were willing to meet and learn about each other communities. One of our goals is to meet and discuss service projects that we could work on together to help others in the Rochester area. In honor of this new collaboration, Epiphany's September service ministry project will be in-kind donations for an organization called Refugees helping Refugees (RHR). RHR is a community-based refugee-led organization in Rochester. Their mission is to foster growth, self-

determination, and self-reliance of refugees in Western New York. More information about RHR and the requested donations will be displayed on the poster board in the main hallway at church. The donations will focus on household and personal hygiene items needed by the refugees. The donations will be collected from September 8- September 22nd.

Our October's service ministry project will be a collection of winter hats, gloves and mittens for Cameron Ministry. Cameron would also be appreciative of donations of gently used winter coats and boots for both adults and children. There will be more details in early October.

Thank you again for your help with our monthly service ministry projects. Please feel free to stop anyone on the Service Ministry team with any questions or ideas for future projects.

Marsha Pulhamus, Birdie Ames, Nancy Mancini and Donna Perry

SEPTEMBER YOUTH UPDATE

It's hard to believe how quickly the summer has flown by and soon Sunday School will be starting again. The first day of Sunday school will be September 8th which will start with breakfast treats for the students and their families. We will have a parent's meeting on the first day of class. The families will be receiving email updates with specifics of the school schedule for the 2024-2025 year.

Despite the fact there was no Sunday school over the summer, we had two youth events. We got together on July 6th for an evening of fun with a movie, snacks and a bonfire with s'mores. Our second event was on August 24th where we had a game night with pizza and ice cream sundaes out by the fire pit. The kids had a great time and are looking forward to the start of Sunday school.

The youth planted the garden with wildflowers during the church picnic on June 9th. Look how well the flowers grew over the summer. It brings a lot of color and joy to the front yard of Epiphany. It is wonderful that the youth have such a vital role at Epiphany!



The Youth will continue to collect can and bottle money to help fund their activities and service projects for the year. You can either put your empty cans and bottles in the trash receptacle in the hallway leading to the Fellowship Hall or hand in bottle receipts and monies earned when you turn your cans and bottles in. The container for the money redeemed from can and bottle return, or bottle receipts is located on the large desk in the main hallway.

Please feel free to talk to anyone of the Sunday school staff with any questions about the Sunday school program or Youth activities.

Don Metzinger, Marsha Pulhamus, Sue Gaskill, Cassie Magiera, and Gladys VanBrederode

EPIPHANY'S FAMILY DAY GOLF OUTING

The seventeenth edition of "The Bill Winchell and Tom Cleveland Memorial Family Day Golf Outing" was a great success! With 62 golfers and 93 dinners served, it was the best attendance we've ever had! A combination of great weather, a most helpful crew at Morgan's Crossing Golf Course, and a great staff and menu at "Jack's Place", made it a wonderful day. The outing is not only a way of remembering Bill and Tom but also a time of fun and fellowship, bringing everyone together to kick back, relax, and have a few laughs. Thanks to everyone who contributed prizes for our raffle and our 50-50 drawing, especially the West Herr Dealerships for their contribution of a TV, the grand prize. Finally, I want to thank Jack Merrick, Dave Ploettner, and Bob Renihan for their help in organizing the event. We've already scheduled next year's event for Sunday, August 3, same place. Hope to see everyone there!
Nick Parisi



Low-net winners, L-R: Carol Balsley, Greg Beadle, Dave Balsley, Adam Switzer

The Church Directory is being updated

The church directory is being updated to ensure we have everyone's home address, email and phone number. Since we are using email to communicate with the parish regularly this information needs to be current. We will leave the most current directory on the table in the front hallway by the office. Please take the time to verify your entry and make any corrections. If you are new to the parish, please add your name to the bottom of the list and we will get you added to the directory. You can email Kim Hyde at khyde521@gmail.com or the secretary Maureen Durie at coeoffice@frontier.com with any updates you have as well.

Thank you: Spruce up Day

Thank you to those who came out on Saturday, August 24 to help clean up the church. We concentrated on the following: kitchen, fellowship hall & 3 classrooms. Thanks to: Kim Hyde, Bonnie Ayers, Gladys VanBrederode, Marsha Pulhamus & Pam Metzinger. Thank you for a job well done!!

THANK YOU: COFFEE HOUR

Thank you to those who provided wonderful summer treats & drinks to continue our coffee hour after our 10am services in the summer. Thanks to: Kim Hyde, Cat Engert, Barb D'Anunzio, Nancy Mancini, Jan Resch, Jan Boulter, Pete & Linda Bonneua and Evie Gargon.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

ROCHESTER REDWINGS CONCESSIONS

The 2 Redwings concessions dates that we have left to volunteer for are listed, please consider signing up. You must be over 18 to help out. We do pour beer at these stands. Thank you.

Friday, Sept 6 – Rohrbach's 1st & 3rd base

Friday, Sept 20 – Rohrbach's 1st & 3rd base

Church School Blessing of Backpacks & Teacher Commissioning

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Sunday, September 8th will be the official 1st day of our new Church School year.

Church School Registration forms & photo release forms are found in this STAR. Please fill out one registration per child; additional forms are on the table in the main hallway. Completed forms can go into Don Metzinger's mailbox or mail to the church office.

As a special activity, at the end of both services on September 8th, we will be blessing backpacks for school, daycare, homecare, dance etc. We will be commissioning our awesome teachers too.

So, come with your backpacks & start your new school year on the right track!

If you have any questions, please see Don or Pam Metzinger.

Church School Calendar:

Church school begins: 9:45am

Sunday, Sept 1 - No Church School

Sunday, Sept 8 - Church School

Sunday, Sept 15 - Church School

Sunday, Sept 22 - Church School

Sunday, Sept 29 - No Church School

Sunday, Oct 6 - Church School

Sunday, Oct 13 - Church School

Sunday, Oct 20 - Church School

Sunday, Oct 27 - Church School

Turkish Muslim/Episcopal Potluck Picnic

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Please plan on joining these two communities for a wonderful potluck picnic and share a bit about our faith traditions. Mark your calendars and more details will be coming in the weekly announcements. The event will start at 6:00 PM at our Church. All are welcome!!! Also, please read the September Service Ministry Project – you will find more information regarding the goals.

MOE Breakfast

Wednesday, Sept. 18th @8:30 am

Men of Epiphany (MOE), mark your calendars for breakfast at Jonny D's in Spencerport.

22nd Annual Seabury Woods Block Party

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024

Seabury Woods will be hosting their annual block party (rain or shine) under the tent/McGarden @ 110 Dalaker Drive Rochester. The event starts 1:30-3:00. Light refreshments, music: The Mystic Sisters. Please RSVP by 9/18/24 – Jen Moncrief, jmoncrief@episcopalseniorlife.org or 585-426-4950. A flyer is on our bulletin board as well.

Widows Group

Wednesday, Sept. 25th, @ 11:00 AM

The Widows group will be meeting and having lunch together at Church.

JUNE 2024 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Income	June YTD 2024	June Budget YTD
Pledge & Plate	\$59,968.46	\$60,250.00
Investment Income	11,200.00	11,200.00
Diocesan Grant	12,499.98	12,500.00
ERTC	-	12,860.50
Flowers	1,120.00	1,000.00
Special Offerings	1,777.74	1,375.00
Building Use	-	25.00
Other	1,057.34	2,150.00
Total Income	\$87,223.52	\$101,360.50
Expenses		
Worship	3,315.48	2,167.50
Formation	567.36	400.00
Diocesan Apportionment	9,681.48	21,013.00
Stewardship	4,835.19	5,120.00
Other Action	-	325.00
Youth	-	50.00
Evangelism	468.17	512.50
Supplies & Utilities	6,597.53	9,200.00
Insurance	6,624.70	5,275.00
Copier Expense	1,731.04	1,758.00
Other Office	8,135.51	3,675.00
Oversight	23,088.78	19,908.00
Salaries & Benefits	66,188.71	68,120.69
Total Expenses	108,145.17	117,616.69
Surplus/(Deficit)	(20,922)	(16,256)

Submitted by Deb Grasso, Treasurer

2024-2025 Church of the Epiphany

CHILDREN & YOUTH PHOTO RELEASE FORM

The undersigned parent or legal guardian of _____, a minor child, does hereby grant permission for said child's pictures to be taken at Children, J2A and Youth Group and/or Church of the Epiphany sponsored events on or outside of church property, which can be used on the church website (www.epiphany-gatesny.org), social media accounts, and promotional materials.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Parent or Legal Guardian

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

The Church of the Epiphany
Church School/J2A Registration Form 2024-2025

Child's Name:

_____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Baptized: Yes No

Confirmed: Yes No

Special needs/Allergies/Other Concerns: _____

Is it permissible for your child to receive communion with her/his Church School class?

Yes No

I have signed the Children & Youth Photo Release Form:

Yes No

Does your child play a musical instrument?

Yes No

If so, what instrument? _____

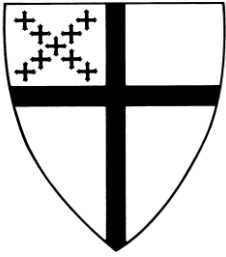
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SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 No Church School	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6 Red Wings Concession	7
8 Church School Kick-off. Blessing of the Backpacks	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Stewardship Sunday 8:00am HE 10:00am HE Church School Annual Giving wk. 1	16	17 7:00pm Vestry	18 8 AM MOE breakfast 6:00 PM Potluck Picnic w/ Turkish Community	19	20 Red Wings Last Concession of the season	21
22 8:00am HE 8:45am Discernment Breakfast 9:45am Church School 10:00am HE 11:00am Discernment Breakfast Annual Giving wk. 2	23	24	25 Widows Lunch 11:00	26	27	28
29 8:00am HE 10:00am HE No Church School Annual Giving wk 3	30					



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