

# THE STAR

**April 2025**



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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**

As we continue our Lenten journey, may we come to embrace the opportunity for spiritual renewal, reflection, and a deeper connection to God. Always remembering that Lent is a time for prayer, fasting and a chance to reflect on our sins, receive God's merciful forgiveness and finding ways to serve those in need. Particularly in our very own communities. Let us deepen our faith and strengthen relationships with our friends, family, and community while fostering empathy, compassion and a greater understanding for each other.

May this season show us grace and charity as we walk together toward the light of Easter.

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

Laurie Zaso

## **CHANGES & ADDITIONS**

If you have changes to your contact information, please notify Maureen Durie in the Parish Office: 247-4190 or [officeW@coepiphany.org](mailto:officeW@coepiphany.org) Office hours: Tuesday–Friday, 9:00 am–1:00 pm

### **THE MINISTERS**

The Congregation

### **THE BISHOP**

The Rt. Rev'd Kara Wagner Sherer

### **THE VESTRY**

Kathie Entress, Warden  
Laurie Zaso, Warden  
Deb Grasso, Treasurer  
Pat Leshar, Clerk

Tim Kaercher  
Susan Gaskill  
Donna Perry  
Kristen Smith

Don Metzinger  
Mike Grasso  
Nick Parisi  
Don Voorhies

### **THE STAFF**

Rector: Fr Greg Kremer  
Parish Secretary: Maureen Durie

Interim Organist: Gail Hyde  
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.*

### ***April Birthdays***

<b>April 13 Jorja Benson</b>	<b>April 22 Neomi Zeder</b>	<b>April 25 Meredith Woo</b>
<b>April 14 Bob Shannon Keiran Pilman</b>	<b>April 23 Peter Bonneau</b>	<b>May 1 Jessica D'Anunzio Patrick Durkin</b>
<b>April 21 Janeen Lane-Ornt Steve Entress</b>	<b>April 24 Douglass D'Anunzio</b>	<b>May 2 Bonnie Hockeborn Connor Magiera</b>

*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.*



### ***APRIL ANNIVERSARIES***

**Bob & Gail Renehan 4/19 David & Marsha Pulhamus 4/26 Donna & Doug Craig 4/30**

Dear Church of the Epiphany,

A blessed Lent to you!

I want to take this time/space to share with you the new **Strategic Pastoral Plan** that our Vestry has recently approved.

This plan is the result of a year of research and prayerful discernment by the Discernment and Planning Team that included Heidi McGrath, Don Voorhies, Nick Parisi, Margaret Schweizer, Kim Hyde, Blaine Kaercher, and me.

We chose to follow the “Appreciative Inquiry” method for change and growth, which basically meant we looked at the things we appreciate most about Epiphany (i.e. our strengths) and used these to expand our mission. When we asked you about our strengths, the response was very clear. The greatest gift we have to offer the world is our genuine, caring and generous community. People feel welcomed and included here. The question then was, how do we spread the “good news” of Christ’s love we experience in our community to others?

It became clear to us early on that “personal invitation” needed to be a central principle woven throughout our plan. In other words, everything we do at Epiphany needs to not only serve those of us who are already here, but also to reach beyond our four walls and intentionally invite and graciously welcome others.

The Plan we have created springboards from the previous plan that was developed before COVID and is designed to focus our efforts and direct our actions for the next few years. It is based on the following five “mindfulness” areas:

1. Welcome and Invitation
2. Liturgy
3. Children and Youth
4. Adult Fellowship and Formation
5. Community Engagement

For each of these areas we have written a mission statement and concrete goals. Each will have a team who will implement these goals. Copies of the Plan will be emailed to everyone and are available on the table in the entry hall at church.

I encourage each of you to read it over and pray about how you can be involved in its implementation. It is our sincere hope that every parishioner will get involved. More will be shared in the weeks ahead.

God bless you.

*Fr Greg*



# VESTRY MINUTES, FEBRUARY 18, 2025

## ZOOM MEETING

Present: Fr. Greg, Kathie Entress, Laurie Zaso, Susan Gaskill, Mike Grasso, Maria Hartz, Tim Kaercher, Heidi McGrath, Don Metzinger, Nick Parisi, Donna Perry, Kristen Smith, Don Voorhies, Deb Grasso, Pat Lesher

Fr. Greg opened with prayer and the Vestry Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **BUSINESS:**

1. Approve February Vestry Minutes. A Motion was made to approve January 21, 2025, Minutes. M-S-A
2. Reviewed Annual Meeting Minutes. The Minutes aren't up for approval just to look over to see if anything is missing while it's fresh in our minds. The Clerk stated the date should be changed to January 26, 2025, from 2024.
3. Discussion took place about the number of Convention Delegates we should have. Right now, we only have one, Emily who is in her third year and Alternate Tom Seils. In the past we have had 3, but not sure that is the correct number. Fr. Greg will check with the Diocese and find out what the appropriate number is for Epiphany. The Vestry can appoint another delegate for a one-year term.
4. Finance Report & motion to approve. Deb has requested that we hold off approving the January Finance Report until next month because some corrections needed to be made. Next month she will present January and February Finance Reports for approval. Vestry agreed that this is acceptable.
5. Strategic Planning. Don V. reported the committee has met with some of the young parents to figure out what we can do to support and encourage them and see if there's more young families that would like to join them. There was good feedback from the few that attended. They are reaching out to a couple more that weren't able to make it. Nick related that the parents expressed interest in getting their youth involved in Sunday services, i.e. being greeters and doing the readings, etc. Also discussed was how to revitalize the five small groups. As the committee looked at the 5 small groups, they realized those areas are still very relevant. They are hoping to bring forth a revised mission statement for each of the groups so they're a little more outreaching and more proactive. AED. Don hasn't had a chance to follow up with the Ambulance yet but plans to get something concrete in the works. Still need to give the Wackerows the formal information on the AED and the training.
6. Organ Task Force. Nick reported they had been to St. Paul's and Christ Church, Pittsford to hear their pipe organs. At Christ Church, Pittsford also listened to a Hauptwerk System, which is basically a computer system that generates sounds from the finest churches in Europe. The sound can be amazing and perhaps more reasonably priced than any type of pipe organ or digital organ. They were only able to hear it through a headset. Task force is looking for a church that has that system and is using it. On February 22 they are going to listen to Allen digital organs at a couple of churches in Buffalo and also hear the pros and cons of the different organs. By the March Vestry meeting, the task force hopes to have a proposal that might have top recommendations, a second or third recommendation that will address the various factors from the quality of sound to the attractability of an organist, as well as the appearance and cost.
7. Organist/Pianist update. Fr. Greg had made calls to numerous organ and piano instructors. Also, he had a talk with the Director of Piano at Roberts. They have our flyer and know what we are looking for right now. Right now, there aren't many students available for employment since they got their jobs last summer. Gail has agreed to play through Easter. Gail is going to play piano for our services through Lent, the idea being that it's Lent and something different and it also gives the parish a taste of what we might run into down the road if we don't find an organist.

8. Vestry Retreat. The Vestry retreat will be at Epiphany on Saturday, March 15 from 9 am until 2 pm and will include lunch. This will be an opportunity to get to know each other a little deeper and to clarify roles between Rector, Wardens and Vestry. Also, will take a closer look at the Strategic Plan as we are bringing it forward just a few days before the March Vestry meeting.
9. Safe Deposit Box/Check signers update.
  - a. Kathie submitted the following proposal to make the following changes to the Checking account signers' list:
    - i. REMOVE the names of Helen Bennett, John Merrick, Lisa Steubing, Patricia Leshner.
    - ii. REMAIN on the list Deborah Grasso, Donald Metzinger, Donna Perry, Kathleen Entress, Michael Grasso, Nick Parisi, Susan Gaskill.
    - iii. ADD Laurie Zaso.
  - b. The following changes to be made to the Savings account signers' list:
    - i. REMOVE Margaret Schweizer and Jack Merrick.
    - ii. REMAIN Deborah Grasso.
    - iii. ADD Kathleen Entress and Laurie Zaso.

A motion was made to approve this list. M-S-A

The Safe Deposit Box is at the Chili Key Bank although our account is at the Gates/Elmgrove. Dave Ploettner is the only person who has access. He got in and took an inventory. We couldn't change the signers to have access to take the safe deposit box there. A decision was made to close the safety deposit box at Chili and open a new one at Gates/Elmgrove. With Dave's help we will make the move. Documents in the box include: our original charter, insurance certificates from 1869, the sale of land to Seabury Woods and other historical documents. A motion was made by Don M to have four names on the Safe Deposit Box list: the Rector, Senior Warden, Treasurer and retain Dave Plottner on the list. M-S-A . Since it has been many years since the box has been looked at or had a list of who had keys, it was decided that every 2 to 3 years the list should be reviewed.

10. Vestry Photos. Fr. Greg volunteered to take pictures of all the Vestry members to put up on the bulletin board in the main hallway.
11. College for Congregational Development. Fr. Greg related that Virginia Tyler Smith is now in charge of the College. She's gone to the West coast to train to do that. She has a new team of people. Apparently, they have revised the College quite a bit. So, she is asking us and other parishes to sign on for a week-long session. It's at Saint Francis Retreat Center at the end of July. The cost is \$1200 for 3 people to attend. If a week is not feasible for some, there are also 5 weekend versions offered throughout the year. Fr. Greg explained to new Vestry members that the College for Congregational development is training for parish leadership about strategies for evaluating the parish and determining direction. He said we have actually been using some of the strategies that we learned a few years ago for our current strategic planning process. He will send the information around. If anyone is interested in either session, please let him know.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Small Group Updates.
  - a. Welcome. Laurie offered that a gentleman came to Epiphany for the first time and shared he had been to other Episcopal churches and this was the only one that acknowledged his presence and that everyone was so welcoming. Since that one encounter, he has returned. Don V offered that was why he and Desi joined Epiphany because everyone was so welcoming and genuine right from their first visit, and they wanted to be part of this parish.

- b. Liturgy Planning. Nick reported the committee met after the Sunday service on Feb. 2. They covered a lot of things through the end of June. A big date is Mother's Day, May 11 with the visit from the Bishop, 3 baptisms and a confirmation. On Shrove Tuesday, Don and crew are doing the pancake supper. Also, have invited our Turkish friends who will attend to break their fast from Ramadan at sunset. On Ash Wednesday, a service at Seabury Woods at 1 p.m. and a service at Epiphany at 7 p.m. Schedule for Holy Week: Reconciliation Service-Wed Night, Maundy Thursday including an Agape dinner, Good Friday with a noon service concluding with Easter Sunday Service going back to the organ
- c. Youth. Sue reported they did some baking for bake sale fundraiser at the pancake supper, which they also were involved in. One of the plans for Spring is to do another wildflower garden. They felt good about it because it looked so welcoming. In trying to get the kids more involved in church and extra activities we need more adults. Another issue is that the Rite 13 girls are also involved in many outside activities besides keeping up with their studies (all honor roll students) it's difficult for them to find time for church activities. We hope we can get them more fully connected and invested in the Church now so that as they become teenagers the Church holds an important place in their lives. Sue says, as part of their curriculum, the teachers listen to what is going on in their lives the rest of the week. That's part of what keeps them engaged. Fr. Greg said the Discernment Team will be talking with the Sunday School teachers about how to get the kids more involved in liturgy.
- d. Adult Formation. Kathie offered to help support the Lenten project that Fr. Greg has proposed we share with the Lutheran Church on Elmgrove Rd. This is a soup and bread dinner and reflection with artwork tying in with the Sunday scripture. This will take place on Wednesdays during Lent. Three of the 5 weeks will be at Epiphany and 2 weeks at Trinity.
- e. Social Media. Kristen had nothing to report this week. Kathie did report from Facebook Live that we are getting non-parishioners watching the Sunday service. Fr. Greg said that it is really an important goal, which is why we wanted the quality of the video to be better.

Mike and Dave are going to install a couple of ethernet cables for us directly into the Church and Fellowship Hall. Instead of the little extenders that we have, the company we hired is going to put in an actual router. It will get the full signal in Church, which should give us an excellent live stream. We have already installed an internet router in the Auxiliary Room.

Fr. Greg suggested the Vestry contact as mass, in addition to highlighting the announcements in the bulletin, could talk about the key decisions from the Vestry meeting. Maybe on Sunday, following the Vestry meeting. A discussion followed about maybe there is too much info for one Sunday; might take 2. Sue related that right now Maureen assigns the Vestry Contact for Sundays. She asked if they could go back to signing up themselves. Then they would know ahead what Sunday they were scheduled. If it was their Sunday after Vestry met, they would be prepared to give highlights of the Vestry meeting. Kathie volunteered to handle the signup sheet at the upcoming Vestry Retreat.

Don V. asked if there was a discussion about money in a Savings account and Endowment account that might be available towards an organ. Deb reported the Finance Committee had met and started going through those accounts and to define them and what money is available to us for the organ. The Finance Committee will submit a detailed report on what monies are available towards the organ at the March meeting.

The next meeting is March 18, 2025, at 7 p.m. via ZOOM                      Vestry View for March: Don V.

Fr. Greg closed the meeting with prayer.

The Vestry meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Pat Leshner, Clerk of the Vestry



## **APRIL SERVICE MINISTRY UPDATE**

Epiphany had two teams that attended the Family Promise's bowling fundraiser on March 9th. The annual Bowl-A-Thon is a great fundraiser for Family Promise of Greater Rochester (FPGROC). Epiphany raised a total of \$650 for the event. All the team members had a great time. See the picture of the participants below.



The Service Ministry team worked with the Youth of Epiphany to supply Blessing Bags to SWEM. SWEM is a community food cupboard serving the southwest region of Rochester/Monroe County. Blessing Bags include food items to help individuals who are experiencing food insecurity and don't have access to a kitchen to refrigerate or cook food items. Thanks to the generous donations from the parishioners and the hard work of the youth, we were able to deliver 95 Blessing Bags to SWEM.

The service ministry team will have our two annual Lenten service ministry projects. The Fiber Ministry team will be collecting handmade items including hat, scarves, mittens, socks, prayer shawls and blankets during Lent. The collection bin will be put up in the hallway after the rummage sale until Easter Sunday. Our other Lenten projects is providing Easter Food Baskets for needy residents in the Town of Gates. Epiphany will be working with the Gates Police department to distribute the food baskets. The sign-up sheet for individuals/families that would like to donate an Easter Food Basket is in the main hallway. The Easter Basket menu is located in the church bulletin or next to the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Please bring in your Easter Food baskets after the Rummage sale until April 13<sup>th</sup> so they can be delivered before Easter.

Our May service project will be cleaning up the Erie Canal in Gates. We will be working with "Keep Gates Clean" on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am- 12 noon. The clean-up area is off the road so that families with children can participate. More detail will be forthcoming.

The Service Ministry Committee would like to thank the parish for your support with our monthly service project.

Marsha Pulhamus, Birdie Ames, Nancy Mancini and Donna Perry



## **APRIL YOUTH UPDATE**

The Youth of Epiphany had a very busy March. They were involved in serving and cleaning up at the Shove Tuesday Pancake dinner on March 4<sup>th</sup>. It was a great gathering with over 90 people in attendance. The free will donations from the dinner will be used to fund youth events and their service projects. The donations from the baked food sale at the Pancake supper helped with the fundraising for the Epiphany teams that attended the Family Promise Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser. Thank you Epiphany for your generous donations.

For Lent, the youth packed food items collected by the service ministry team for 95 Blessing bags for SWEM. Blessing Bags include food items to help individuals who are experiencing food insecurity and don't have access to a kitchen to refrigerate or cook food items. SWEM was thrilled with all the Blessing Bags that we delivered.

The Rite 13 class also hosted the coffee hour on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The youth did a great job organizing the coffee hour and provided very "yummy" treats for the parishioner.

April I will be another busy month for the Youth. The Youth will have an event on Maundy Thursday which will include games and activities but also include attending the church service and involvement in a prayer Virgil. Easter will include the annual Easter Egg hunt after the 10 am service and involvement of the Rite 13 class in the Easter service. The Rite 13 class will be lectors and involved in the joyous music for Easter.

Thank you for all your support of the Youth of Epiphany.

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



**Blessing Bags**



**Coffee Hour**





### **Pancake Supper**

### **LAWN RANGERS**

The LAWN RANGERS need your help. The lawn rangers are the men and women who cut and trim the grass at The Church of the Epiphany. This is a rewarding and fun thing to do for everyone from teenagers to senior citizens. Each person has a partner and they cut the grass 3 or 4 times during the growing season. Call Tom Seils at 247-1401 or sign up in main hallway.

Also on the bulletin board is a sign-up sheet “**FLOWER POWER.**” If you are willing to care for one of the gardens please sign up.

### **EASTER FOOD BASKETS**

The Service Ministry team is asking for support to provide Easter Food Baskets for disadvantaged families that live in the Town of Gates. The menu for the Easter Food Baskets are listed below and a \$10 gift card to Wegman’s, Tops or Aldi’s will need to be included, as well as, the food items.

#### **Easter Dinner Menu**

- 2 –cans of soup
- 3- cans of vegetables
- 1-can of yams
- 1-box of mashed potatoes
- 1-box of bread or roll mix
- 2- cans of fruit
- 1-dessert (cake mix/frosting  
or pie crust/filling or cookie mixes)
- special treat such as candy or coffee/tea
- \$10 gift card to Wegmans, Tops or Aldi’s ( please put in food box)

Please sign up for an Easter Food Baskets before April 13th so they can be distributed by the Gates Police Department during Holy Week. The sign -up sheet will be on the bulletin board by the hallway

The food baskets can be dropped off at church from Sunday, April 6th through April 13th. DEADLINE for drop off is Sunday, April 13th, so they can be distributed to the families in time for Easter.

Thank you for your willingness to help a neighbor in need.

## **SERVICE COMMITTEE CANAL CLEAN UP PROJECT**

Please join us on Saturday, May 17 at the Lyell Ave canal parking area , 10:00 AM to help clean up trash along the canal path for about 2 hours. This is away from highways and is safe for children to help out. Parking is limited so a sign-up sheet for carpooling will be posted. The Clean Up Gates organizer has arranged this to be a family friendly location at our request, so we're hoping for a nice turnout!

## **AN EPISCOPAL SUMMER CAMP FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Your gift to this year's Bishop's Appeal will help Bishop Kara and our new Director of Formation, the Rev. Annie Jones, create a summer camp for the children and youth of our diocese—and their friends. We know your pledge to your local congregation is a top priority, but if you're able to do a little more, your gift will help nurture the faith of children and youth today, building a stronger church for tomorrow.

Thank you for your generosity and faith in our future! The Appeal will run through **4/30/25**.

### **WAYS TO GIVE**

- **ONLINE GIVING** — Make a donation easily online or text 'Joy' to 73256.
- **MAIL-IN DONATIONS** — Send a check payable to the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester with Bishop's Appeal in the memo to 3825 E Henrietta Rd, Ste 100, Henrietta, NY 14467.
- **BILL PAY** — Contact your bank to schedule a monthly donation through your bank's bill pay service.
- **VOLUNTEER** — Fill out our volunteer form to share your time or talents—whether it's music, CPR, crafting, outdoor skills, food service, event coordination, or joining the planning team.



## **FIBER MINISTRY**

Lent is upon us and hopefully the 40 days will be a growth experience for us. Personally, I am looking forward to seeing all the beautiful fiber projects completed to be distributed to those in need. The collection box will be in the hall after the Rummage Sale and the Sunday after Easter the items will be blessed by the congregation. Thanks in advance from your Service Ministry Team.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **CHURCH SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

**Church school begins: 9:45am**

Sunday, April 6	- Church School	Sunday, May 4	- Church School
Sunday, April 13	- Church School	Sunday, May 11	- Church School
Sunday, April 20	- <b>No</b> Church School	Sunday, May 18	- Church School
Sunday, April 27	- Church School	Sunday, May 25	- <b>No</b> Church School

## **MOE BREAKFAST**

Please mark your calendars for breakfast for **April 23rd @ 8:30 am** at Jonny D's.

## **WOE UPDATE**

### **Rummage Sale 2025**

Held on: April 4 & 5

BRING IN ITEMS: SUNDAY, March 30 – 10am- 3pm

MONDAY, March 31 - 9am- 8pm

TUESDAY, April 1 - 9am- 8pm ←--- last day !

#### **The following donations will be accepted:**

Books, toys (children's & baby), Holiday décor & nik naks items, housewares (kitchen items, dishes, glasses, mugs, etc), linens (sheets, blankets, pillows, towels, etc), small , & adult coats ONLY, notions/crafts(yarn, material, sewing items, etc), purses, CD's only, jewelry, book bags, scarves, mittens, hats

#### **NOT accepted:**

Stuffed animals, shoes, furniture, lamps, large artwork, large appliances, clothes of any kind except coats, VHS tapes, large power tools, TV's

Sorting & pricing – March 31- April 3

On our Sale days, especially – April 4 & 5

CLEANUP – April 5

Any questions, concerns or clarifications of donations – feel free to contact me thru email, text or a phone call.

Thank you. Pam Metzinger

## **REDWINGS CONCESSIONS**

Redwings Baseball is just around the corner !

We have picked out dates to man the CONCESSIONS !

This is a Spring/Summer Fundraiser – so please consider helping out.

The following dates are assigned to Epiphany:

- Tuesday, April 29                      Rohrbach's 1st & 3rd base
- Monday, May 26                        Rohrbach's 1st base
- Friday, July 4                           Rohrbach's 1st & 3rd base
- Friday, July 11                         Mama Mitsy Pizza stand & 3rd Base DUGOUT craft beer
- Friday, August 22                      Rohrbach's 1st & 3rd base
- Friday, September 12                 Rohrbach's 1st & 3rd base

Look for the signup sheets – in early APRIL!

Any questions, see Don Metzinger

## **LENT - HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

Wed.,	April 2,	6:00 pm	Lenten Dinner & Reflections <u>at Trinity Lutheran Church</u>
Sun.,	April 6,	8 & 10 am	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Wed.,	April 9,	6:00 pm	Lenten Dinner & Reflections <u>at Epiphany</u> with Trinity Lutheran Church
Sun.,	April 13,	8 & 10 am	Palm Sunday Service
Wed.,	April 16,	7:00 pm	Reconciliation Service with Holy Communion
Thur.,	April 17,	6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Service (with washing of feet & stripping of the altar) followed by a simple AGAPE Meal, and Children and Youth Prayer Vigil
Fri.,	April 18	12 Noon	Good Friday Prayer Service
Sun.,	April 20	8 & 10 am	Easter Sunday Eucharist Service

## **SPRUCE UP DAYS**

NEXT ..... Spruce Up day

### **#1 - May 3**

- Working on: fellowship hall, kitchen, meditation room, hallways
- Lots of help needed
- Starting at: 9am-noon

### **#2 - May 24**

- Working OUTSIDE, planting, raking, etc
- Help needed
- Starting at: 8am - 11am

Thank you!

Any questions, see..... Pam Metzinger

## **USED BICYCLE DONATIONS**

R Community Bikes (Rochester Community Bikes; RCB) is a grassroots, 501(c)3 organization, staffed entirely by volunteers. They collect and repair used bicycles for distribution, free of charge, to the Rochester, NY area's most needy children and adults. They give away over 2,500 bicycles every year and do over 3,000 repairs for their clients, many of whom depend on bicycles as their main source of transportation.

I volunteer there to help repair the bikes for their giveaway program and to fix bikes for people who bring them to the facility at 226 Hudson Avenue. It is a great, well run organization with dedicated volunteers.

Do you have a used bicycle that you would like to donate to others that need them for transportation, for fun or exercise? If you do please call or email, Dave Pulhamus. You can arrange for me to pick them up, or drop them off at my house (250 Chambers St., Spencerport) for and I will transport it to R Community Bikes.

Dave's contact information is 585-352-0149 or Dmpul80@gmail.com. Thank you.

## **FEBRUARY FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

<b>Income</b>	<b>Budget YTD 2025</b>	<b>% Of Budget YTD</b>
Pledge & Plate	\$22,548	\$21,683
Investment Income		3,917
Diocesan Grant	3,833	3,333
ERTC		
Flowers	90	292
Special Offerings	27	542
Building Use	80	222
Other	144	917
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$26,723</b>	<b>\$30,905</b>

<b>Expenses</b>		
Worship	1,656	813
Formation		142
Diocesan Apportionment	3,036	3,036
Stewardship	970	1,742
Other Action	-	83
Youth	-	17
Evangelism		246
Supplies & Utilities	4,027	2,650
Insurance	2,491	2,000
Copier Expense	335	583
Other Office	877	533
Oversight	7,730	5,767
Salaries & Benefits	21,438	23,711
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>34,830</b>	<b>35,555</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(8,108)</b>	<b>(4,650)</b>

*Submitted by Deb Grasso, Treasurer*

## **PARISH SCHOLARSHIPS**

Thanks to the generosity of the families and friends of the Rev'd John VanBrederode and Karen Marr, we are fortunate to have two funds which provide assistance for post-secondary education. The deadline for both is **Sunday, May 5th**.



**How are recipients chosen?** The Scholarship Committee meets and reviews all applications. It may, at its discretion, interview the applicants.

**Who serves on the Committee?** A member of the Vestry, a representative from the Church School or J2A program, a representative from one of the parish's Teams or Committees, and an "at-large" parishioner.

**Notification:** The Committee will notify each applicant of its decision in writing by June 2nd. Recipients will be announced on a Sunday in June, at the 10:00 a.m. service.

### **John VanBrederode - Memorial Scholarship**

#### **Eligible applicants:**

- Graduating High school seniors
- Have been active in the life of Epiphany
- Will continue their studies in college or trade school

### **Karen Marr - Memorial Award**

#### **Eligible applicants:**

- Have "special need." A special need can be physical or learning disability.
- Have completed one year of post-high school education. Continuing education can be college or trade school
- Be a confirmed member of The Church of the Epiphany for at least one year. Note: The Marr Award is available 3 times per year. Application deadlines are May 1st, August 1st and December 1st.

### **Marion Hunter Youth Assistance Fund**

**Purpose:** Awards from the Hunter Youth Assistance Fund are to be used to sponsor young people's attendance and participation in church-related or religiously based special events, such as Creation Camp, national and local youth gatherings, etc.

#### **Eligible applicants:**

- Youth ages 8-18 years who have been active in the life of the parish.
- Applicants shall submit a short letter to the Rector, naming the event they wish to attend and what they hope to get out of it.

## Easter Flowers

Please share in making the church beautiful for Easter. You may wish to offer a gift in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for a particular blessing in your life. Please use Christian names (John & Mary Doe, not Mr. & Mrs. John Doe), **printing clearly with only one name per line**; use additional sheets if necessary. Place your form with your check, payable to "Church of the Epiphany, Memo: Easter Flowers," **in the Office, or mail it to the Parish Office by Sunday, April 11th.**

In memory of:	In thanksgiving for:

Donor: \_\_\_\_\_

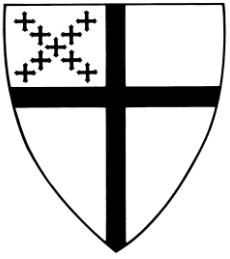
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Coffee hour 7:30 am Holy Communion 8 & 10 am Coffee hour 11:00am	7 Home School Assn. 8:00am-3:30pm  12 Step Meeting 6:45-8:15 pm	8	9	10	11	12
13 Coffee hour 7:30 am Holy Communion - Commission 8 & 10 am Coffee hour 11:00am	14 Home School Assn. 8:00am-3:30pm  12 Step Meeting 6:45-8:15 pm	15 <b>Vestry Meeting</b>	16 <b>Holy Wednesday 7:00 PM Service</b>	17 <b>Maundy Thursday 6:30 PM Service</b>	18 <b>Good Friday  Service 12:00 Noon</b>	19
20 <b>EASTER Sunday</b> Coffee hour 7:30 am  Holy Communion 8 & 10 am Coffee hour 11:00am	21 Home School Assn. 8:00am-3:30pm  12 Step Meeting 6:45-8:15 pm	22	23 <b>Moe 8:30 Breakfast</b>  <b>The Art of Lent Trinity Host 6:00 PM</b>  <b>Soup/and Reflection</b>	24	25	26
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