

Weekly e-News from Epiphany Parish

June 13, 2023

From Rev Christen

Dear Epiphany Parish,

Thank you so much to everyone who has filled out the Epiphany Parishioner Survey! If you haven't filled it out yet, you can do so here: https://docs.google.com/forms/u/1/d/e/1FAIpQLSfZMHG1NX-nm5EziiY2RNBeIz-ORIJOtGXFQIIPeoBLGgU0Gg/viewform?usp=sf_link

We will also have paper copies in the office if you prefer to fill out the survey that way.

A few things to note this week-

Save the date for our dessert sale at the Walpole fireworks! On Monday, July 3rd we will be selling Strawberry Shortcake, Cookies, Brownies, and popcorn in our front yard. Stay tuned for more information about how you can volunteer for this fundraiser and other ways that you can help.

On Sunday afternoon, Rev. Hal installed two new wireless microphones in our sanctuary. Now our worship will be a lot more accessible to everyone who comes to worship at Epiphany and it will make our online worship sound a lot better too.

Finally, this summer, Epiphany is again partnering with St. John's in Westwood, and Church of the Advent in Medfield to provide bags of non-perishable groceries for the families of students who are a part of the B-SAFE and B-READY program run through St. Stephen's Youth Program in our Diocese. St. Stephen's Youth Program started at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in the South End and now runs year-round after school programs at 2 locations in Boston and summer enrichment programs for children at 6 locations in the Boston area.

Epiphany is signed up to donate 12 bags of groceries on July 6th. There is a specific shopping list they would like us to follow so that each bag has the same items in them. We are looking for 12 people to each 'sponsor' one of these bags. We are working on getting the shopping list—in the past each bag has contained \$40-\$50 worth of groceries. Stay tuned for more information about how to sign up and when to drop off bags.

Thanks! Peace, Christen

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Summer Fundraiser-Save the Date:

Monday, July 3 from 6pm-9pm, Epiphany Parish will be selling Strawberry Shortcake and other desserts before the town fireworks begin.

We will be selling: Strawberry Shortcake, Brownies and Cookies, Popcorn & Bottled Water Stay tuned for more information about what help is needed to make this fundraiser a success!

Survey Reminder: Last Thursday we emailed out a survey to help us update our parish database and prayer list! Make sure to fill out the survey (even if you know that we already have your information) to help us make sure our records are complete. There will also be questions about getting involved in

different areas of our parish ministry to help us recruit leaders and volunteers for different areas of our parish life. We ask that you complete the surveys by June 21st. Hard copies are available at the back of the church. Thanks for your help!

common cathedral - Monthly Drop off - TODAY - Tuesday, June 13th- We are signed up for: 50 granola bars, 50 pieces of fruit, 2 canisters of ground coffee, 2 pounds of sugar.

common cathedral has requested to bring only soft fruit (like bananas, oranges, grapes) no hard fruit (like apples). Please bring more bananas than oranges if able.

common cathedral provides food, community, worship, and so much more to folks in Boston who are experiencing homelessness. Epiphany Parish has supported common cathedral in many ways throughout the years.

Diocesan News

The diocesan community's congratulations are with newly ordained deacon, the Rev. Margaret Lias (above, seventh from left, sponsored by Emmanuel Church, Boston), and transitional deacons the Rev. Eva Ortez (Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Boston), the Rev. Kevin Vetiac (Parish of the Good Shepherd, Waban), the Rev. Joshua (Paddy) Cavanaugh (Emmanuel Church, Boston), the Rev. Keith



Nelson, SSJE (Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge), the Rev. Katherine Hoyer (St. Michael's Church, Marblehead), the Rev. Paul Keene (St. Peter's Church, Cambridge), the Rev. Lisa Faber Ginggen (Grace Church, Medford), the Rev. Max Sklar (St. Peter's-San Pedro Church, Salem) and the Rev. Michael Thompson (Trinity Church, Melrose), pictured at the Cathedral Church of St Paul in Boston on June 3 with Bishop Alan M. Gates and Bishop Carol J. Gallagher. Photo credit: New deacons ordained June 3, 2023 | Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts (diomass.org)

Update: Presiding Bishop Michael Curry to receive ongoing monitoring and pause travel for **June.** Following a recent hospital stay that detected internal bleeding and a new instance of heart arrhythmia, Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry is receiving thorough testing and monitoring to understand the relationship between his medication for atrial fibrillation and the episode of internal bleeding.

Community News

Walpole Juneteenth Celebration - The celebration takes place on Monday June 19th, 2:00-5:00 PM on the Walpole Town Common.

More information HERE



Sunday, June 18th Third Sunday after Pentecost

Summer Schedule

9:30am - Rite II with Holy Communion & Live streamed

Join us each Sunday after the 10:00am service for Coffee Hour for an informal time of fellowship!

We are looking for folks to host Coffee Hour! It's easy and if you provide the treats we can help you make the coffee! Sign up in the undercroft or at the link below: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4ba9a828aafc1-epiphany



Notes from the Office

The office is open this week Tuesday-Thursday 8:30-11:00am.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday Morning - Rite I - 8:00am in person

Sunday Morning - Rite II - 10:00am in person & live streamed on Facebook

Youth Group - every other week 5-6:30pm - June 11th

Monday Bible Study - 7:00-8:00pm

Tuesday Open Vestry Meetings - every third Tuesday

Wednesday Morning Prayer - 7:15am by Phone

Wednesday - Sanctuary open for Prayer - 10- 11:00 am (open until 2:00 pm resumes July 5th.)

Fridays - AA Meeting - Undercroft 8:00pm

**Office Hours Change for the month of June - Beginning Wednesday, May 24th through June 21, the office hours, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday will be irregular. I am hoping for 8:30 11:00am. Please email to arrange a time to meet in person for different days or times. As always, please contact Rev Christen directly if you have a pastoral emergency.

Safe Church Training - The staff and the vestry members of Epiphany Parish are required to take the Safe Church Training. If any other members of the parish would like to also take the training, please email the office and an invite will be sent to get you started on the online training.

Epiphany Parish Welcome Statement

Epiphany Episcopal Parish welcomes all those who seek a spiritual connection to God. We embrace the young and the old; the seasoned and the newcomer; the married, single, separated, divorced and widowed; those of all sexual orientations and gender identities; those from any economic, ethnic, cultural or religious background; and those of all abilities. We not only welcome diversity at Epiphany, we celebrate it.

Epiphany Email Policy

Fraudulent emails are continuing to become more common and more sophisticated, please note that Rev. Christen, Epiphany Parish staff, and/or the members of our Vestry will never solicit money, gift cards, or personal information via email. If you have any questions or concerns about an email request you receive from a leader or staff person in our parish, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

Those in Our Prayers for the Week of June 18, 2023

Michael Barrett, Jo-Ann Barrett, Andrea, Roberta, Barbara S, George Ford

We also continue to remember: Peter Nixon, Malcolm Gurney, Marge Buttimer, Nancy Anderson, Jean Ford, Amanda C, Cindy Falcone, Ed Glebus, Gerry, David M, Ken Rohr, Frank Faricey, Cynthia S, Phyllis Goetz, Peter, Patricia Hines, Scott Ashmanski, Don Uliano, Jason H, Shawn H

- We pray for our first responders and military personnel and their families.
- We pray for those affected by war, terrorism, natural disaster and violence, racism, abuse, addiction or loneliness.

Recently Departed:

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Michael & Jacquelyn Donovan & Family

Joanne Douglas & Family

Hal & Erin Edmonson & Family Megan ElDoveihi & Family

Walpole Cycle of Prayer: The Protestant Chaplaincy at Cedar Junction &

Bay State Correctional Facility

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Church of the Holy Spirit, Fall River

St. Luke's Church, Fall River St. Gabriel's Church, Marion

St. Philip of Bethsaida, Mattapoisett

Celebrating Birthdays: June 19 – Debra Zarba

June 20 - Owen Klobucher June 23 – Travis Kelley

Celebrating Anniversaries: June 23 – Nancy & John Parnagian