

March 14, 2010

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

He Was
Lost
And
Now Is
FOUND.



Sunday March 14

- 9:00 am Liturgy (INT Parish)**
 9:00 am Co-Op Nursery Area B
 9:00 am Pre-School Formation Areas C/D
 9:00 am Gather the Children Areas K/L
 9:30 am Spanish Adult Formation..... Living Rm
 10:15 am Children's Formation All Areas
 10:15 am 1st Communion Parents' Mtg..... Library
 10:15 am Hunger & Poverty Mtg..... Jason's Deli
11:30 am Liturgy (RIP Eugene Lynch, Jr.)
 12:45 pm Latino Concerns Mtg..... Library
 4:30 pm Jr. High Youth Group..... Lighthouse
 4:30 pm Operation: SPIRIT Library
 6:30 pm Sr. High Youth Group Lighthouse
 7:00 pm Men of Epiphany..... Areas I/J/K/L

Monday March 15

- 10:00 am Scripture Sharing..... Library
 5:00 pm Praying the Rosary Chapel
 7:30 pm Musicians' Rehearsal Worship Ctr
 8:00 pm Al-Anon Mtg..... Nursery
 8:15 pm Musicians' Meeting..... Areas J/K/L

Tuesday March 16

- 8:30 am Liturgy (RIP Dorothy Flaherty Family)**
 9:30 am Holy Name Food Pantry..... Off Campus
 5:00 pm Stewardship Committee Mtg..... Dining Rm
 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper Areas J/K/L/M
 7:00 pm N.E.T..... Areas E/F/G/H/I
 7:00 pm Pre-Catechumenate..... Living Rm
 7:00 pm Venturing Crew Lighthouse

Wednesday March 17

- 8:30 am Liturgy (RIP Virginia Ulrich)**
 12:00 pm Sages Core Team Meeting Library
 7:00 pm Youth Band Rehearsal..... Worship Ctr
 7:00 pm JustFaith Class..... Library
 7:00 pm R.C.I.A. Living Rm
 7:00 pm Tough Issues Areas J/K/L
 7:00 pm Women's Concerns Areas E/F/G

Thursday March 18

- 6:30 pm Spanish Mass (INT Ramos Family)**
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts Mtg Lighthouse
 7:00 pm New Beginnings Areas B/C/D
 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal Worship Ctr
 7:30 pm Adult Formation Team Meeting Living Rm

Friday March 19

- 6:50 am Taize Prayer Worship Ctr
8:30 am Liturgy (RIP John Young Family)
 3:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal Worship Ctr
 6:00 pm Family Connections Movie Nite (K thru Gr. 1)
 Lighthouse

Saturday March 20

- 9:00 am Space Arrangers Worship Ctr
5:30 pm Liturgy (INT Parish)

Sunday March 21

- 9:00 am Liturgy (RIP Lula Nalley)**
 9:00 am Co-Op Nursery Area B
 9:00 am Pre-School Formation..... Areas C/D
 9:00 am Gather the Children Areas K/L
 9:30 am Spanish Adult Formation..... Living Rm
 10:15 am Children's Formation..... All Areas
11:30 am Liturgy (RIP Elizabeth Freedman)
 12:45 pm Sages' General Mtg Areas I/J/K/L/M
 4:30 pm Jr. High Youth Group Lighthouse
 4:30 pm Operation: SPIRIT..... Library
 6:30 pm Sr. High Youth Group Lighthouse
 7:00 pm Marriage Enrichment Info Nite ... Areas J/K/L



Prayer Requests

Remember in prayer our parishioners who are ill: Matthew Binns, Dudley Booth, Rita Bowles, Stella Clark, Pamela Courtney, Amy Derringer, Bettye Donohue, Jan Dostal, Mary Eldredge, Tom Giesler, Liz Given, Phil Harstine, Herman

Hesen, Jim Hill, Kathleen Klueber, Don Lawrence, Lorenza Marcos, Fran Passanisi, Mary Pringle, Evelyn Pusateri, William Sacksteder, and Joan Tichenor.

**PASTORAL CONSTITUTION
ON THE CHURCH IN THE MODERN WORLD**

The root reason for human dignity lies in humanity's call in communion with God. From the very circumstance of our origin humanity is already invited to converse with God. For we would not exist were we not created by God's love and constantly preserved by it; and we cannot live fully according to truth unless we freely acknowledge that love and devote ourselves to our Creator. (19)

Administration

**STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY
For the Year Ended June 30, 2010**

	Actual	Budget	Prior Year Actual
February, 2010	96,109	94,342	83,609
8 Mos. End 02/28/2010	887,486	865,823	809,066

Let's Stay Connected!!! In an effort to keep in contact with all our parishioners, we would like to remind all to let the parish know if you have had a change of address or telephone number. Also, if you've relinquished your land line in exchange for cell phones, please give us that new information. Keep us advised if your email address changes, and see the latest happenings at Epiphany by visiting our website at churchofepiphany.com

Adult Formation



Untold Blessings, Faith Channel's three-part Lent series continues this week with *Finding the Center* aired at 7P this evening (Sun.). It is repeated on Thurs., Mar. 18 at 7P. The series concludes next week, same day and time, with *Your Life is Not About You*. Fr. Robert Barron is the presenter.

Women in Discernment are lay ministers and women religious devoted to following God's will in their lives and are committed to helping others. The team is stellar! They include Sister Carolyn Brink, Sister of Mercy, Melanie-Prejean Sullivan, D. Min, and several more. Contact Linda Banker, 636-0296, or lbanker@archlou.org or check out the website www.archlou.org/vocations.



Hearing exactly what is prayed while experiencing it is a great benefit for those who are praying with us in a second language rather than their native tongue. Two more simultaneous translators are needed to help once every two months. If you speak Spanish and English and are interested, call Therese, 245-9733, X-14 or email her at Therese@churchofepiphany.com



Whether married 7 days or 70 years, you will find tips, quizzes and much more at www.foryourmarriage.org, a United States Catholic Conference of Bishops marriage website with a wide variety of content.

(Adult Formation, continued.....)

Marriage Enrichment Groups have been alive and well at Epiphany for decades. While each group takes on its own flavor, all are a great way to insure some couple "us" time, as well as deepen/develop friendships. Next Sun., Mar. 21, at 7P, a Forming and Informing gathering will help all interested to belong to and develop direction for their group. We look forward to seeing you in the Community Ctr. Know your coming? Call the office, 245-9733, and give our phone volunteer your name and phone number.



Struggling in your marriage? This week is your chance for help and hope! March 19-21 in the Lexington area a Retrouvaille weekend is scheduled. A peer ministry for hurting marriages, the program consists of a weekend experience and six additional four-hour long post sessions. For confidential information or to register call 479-3329. Online information: www.HelpOurMarriage.com



The Gospel of Luke, the synoptic gospel currently used in our Sun. cycle of readings, will be studied on Tues. 7:00-9:00P starting Apr. 6. Interested? Call the office, 245-9733, to leave your name so we'll have plenty of handouts ready when class begins.



Children's Formation

A Reminder: There will be no Formation classes or Gather the Children on Palm Sun., Mar. 28, and Easter Sun., Apr. 4! Nursery and Pre-School will be in session on Palm Sun., but not Easter.

Formation Family Luau, Sat., Apr. 24, in the Lighthouse: Please save the date for fun and festive "Luau at the Lighthouse." Pulled pork, potluck side dishes, Limbo, Hula Hoop contest, Pink Flamingo Toss and much more! More info later.

Bibletimes Marketplace is July 12-16. Registration forms will be out in May, with a deadline of **June 6**. This year our cycle is **Voices in Exile** – learning about Ezekiel, Jonah, Job, Daniel, and Esther. Adults who would like to work with children at Bibletimes, need to have attended a "Safe Environment Workshop". Below is the current schedule:



**Honor Thy Children Safe Environment Training Schedule
2010 SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOPS**

- 04/19 6:30P Holy Trinity, 423 Cherrywood Rd. (40207)
- 05/12 12:45P Assumption High School, 2170 Tyler Ln. (40205)
- 08/30 6:30P St. Albert the Great, 1395 Girard Dr., (40222)

Youth Ministry

Undoing Racism and Social Justice for Youth Groups on Sun., Mar. 14: Jr. High meets at 4:30P and Sr. High at 6:30P in the Lighthouse.

A Life of Service Youth Group on Mar. 21. The Guatemala mission trip participants, including Bob Lockhart and Natalie Pantalos, will speak to us about their experience. Also, information about Epiphany's Appalachia Mission Trip will be presented. Jr. High at 4:30P and Sr. High at 6:30P.

Be The Change Easter Vigil Retreat for Sr. High, Sat., Apr. 3-Sun., Apr. 4, ending with the Easter Vigil Liturgy at 5:30A. Contact Chris, if you're interested in attending.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



If you'd be interested in providing some bread, rolls, muffins, or bagels for the reception we'll have after our Easter Vigil Service, please contact Sister Mary, 245-9733, X-20. Breads can be dropped off at the Community Ctr. on Holy Saturday, Apr.

3, between 3:00-5:00P. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Life

Epiphany's Annual Easter Egg Hunt Festivities will begin at 1P at the Lighthouse on Sat. Apr. 3, for children from 9 mos. to 9 yrs. Come with your Easter basket or bag. The traditional "cow bell" will ring at 1:15P to signal the dash to the eggs!

IMPORTANT NOTE: The Sages Monthly Meeting will be on Mar. 21, not on Mar. 14 as announced earlier.

Men of Epiphany – On Sunday, March 14, 2010, from 7 to 9 p.m., Men of Epiphany will welcome **Father Benedict "Ben" J. Brown**, a former 17-year military chaplain in the United States Navy, who has spent the later part of his chaplaincy in the Persian Gulf. Father Ben, while reflecting on his experiences and the war in Iraq, will also address the possible repeal of "**Don't Ask, Don't Tell**" – the Executive Order issued under the Clinton Administration restricting the U.S. military from efforts to discover or reveal closeted gay, lesbian, and bisexual service members or applicants, while barring those that are openly gay, lesbian, or bisexual from military service. Joining the discussion will be **K.C. Scull**, retired Army Colonel and manager for Papa John's Cardinal Stadium, whose overseas tours took him to Germany and Vietnam. We will meet in the Community Center. Refreshments are available. For information call Brayton Bowen (558-2154), Pat Evans (541-6411), or Jerry Gob (339-0323).

(Parish Life, continued....)

Sages Tour the Palace Theater & Brown Hotel, Lunch at the J. Graham Cafe ~ On Thurs., March 25, we will visit 2 downtown Louisville treasured historic landmarks. First, tour the unique Palace Theater, then the splendid Brown Hotel. After we tour the grand luxury hotel, we will enjoy lunch at the J. Graham Cafe. Cost: Full Buffet, \$21.08; Express Buffet, \$16.12. Price includes tax, tip, beverage (coffee, tea or soft drink). Checks payable to the Brown Hotel. Gluten-free items on the buffets. TARC bus is \$3/person (cash). Call Suzanne Mosley, 245-0193 or Judy Pessolano 339-7146 to reserve a seat. Deadline for sign up & payment is Sun., Mar. 21. Board TARC bus at 9:15A in our parking lot, and return to Epiphany by 2:30P.

There are about 10 openings in the Memphis/Tunica Sages Bus Trip Apr. 19-23 (Mon.-Fri.), 5 days-4 nights, \$335 p/person/double occupancy. 8 meals: 4 breakfasts at a Paula Dean's buffet restaurant and 4 dinners at various restaurants. Spending 4 consecutive nights at a casino hotel in Tunica. Enjoy a guided tour of Memphis, the platinum tour of Graceland (home of Elvis), his airplanes, auto museum and the Hollywood exhibit. Visit Beale Street (Home of the Blues and BBQ), Memphis Rock n' Soul Museum, Sun Recording Studio, St. Jude's Hospital, Peabody Hotel (ducks), and MORE! Call Suzanne Mosley, 245-0193, for reservations. This trip is open to ALL members of Epiphany and their friends. Join us on this fun trip....Spring in Tennessee! You deserve a vacation after this cooold winter!

Stewardship

"He said in reply to his father: 'For years now I have slaved for you...yet you never gave me so much as a kid goat to celebrate with my friends. Then, when this child of yours returns after having gone through your property with loose women, you kill the fatted calf for him.'"

The father practiced God's version of Generosity and Compassion – unearned and unconditional. A steward sees a need and responds without asking questions about whether it is deserved or not.

Worship

Lent, 2010: A Journey into the Compassion of God

Mar.14, 4th Sunday of Lent: Connected in God's Compassion



Like today's gospel father, God welcomes us back with open arms, even with our mistakes and failures. It's a challenge to remember that God's compassion is for all – and that we are all connected in the compassion of God, even when we feel disconnected from each

other (do you relate to that elder brother?). Compassion may be defined as "a passionate way of living born of an awareness of the

(Worship, continued.....)

interconnectedness of all creatures by reason of their common Creator...Compassion is our kinship with the universe and the universe's Maker; it is the action we take because of that kinship." (Matthew Fox) As Christians, we are charged with being "ambassadors of reconciliation." We can "dig deep" into the compassion of God to help us be reconciled and reconcilers when we can't find the desire, strength or resolve in ourselves.

All the community is invited to a common spiritual practice, in addition to whatever you have chosen to do individually.

§ The gospel father lets go of judgment, pride, and problems to celebrate the wayward son's home-coming. Jesus eats with the outcasts and calls us to be ambassadors of reconciliation. *Consider: Who am I unwilling to embrace? In what ways do we individually and communally carry on the work of reconciliation?*

§ God's compassion is love's embrace, accepting us as we are, even as we are challenged to live with greater love and integrity. God's compassion provides a space where healing, forgiveness, reconciliation and fullness of life can happen – for all of us. *Relying on the compassion of God and recognizing our interconnectedness with all people, this week take a specific step toward reconciliation with an individual or group with whom you have differences.*

See our website for Justice Intersections, additional suggestions for prayer/reflection which are thought-provoking.

Consider the prayer practice of Taize Chanting, done each Friday of Lent at 6:50am.

Walking Prayer: Stations of the Cross are available outside and in the chapel. Coming in the main entrance you see the stations along our driveway, available anytime for your prayer. Contemporary interpretations of the stations by painter Jutta Brown are hanging in the chapel. Booklets for praying the stations in various ways are available in the chapel for your use inside or outside. The **Labyrinth is available outside** any time, between the chapel and the south-east side of the parking lot. You could reflect on what it might be like to walk all your steps in compassion...



Easter preparations are underway, including plans for the Easter Garden, which has been a longstanding and beautiful tradition. This year our bare-bones budget will not cover the cost of the garden. Please consider donating large plants (get together with friends to share the cost) that will last for several weeks. We will have a list of suggested plants in the bulletin next week. We are still looking for new volunteers to help care for the plants. If you can help a couple of times during one of the weeks following Easter, please contact Sr. Mary.

Social Responsibility

The Challenge of Compassion: Acts of compassion can take many forms. Here are a few to consider:

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Disaster Relief: The recent earthquake in Chile, while less devastating than that of Haiti, calls for our sacrificial generosity.

Catholic Relief Services is a reliable and effective avenue for offering our help. You can make a special contribution through our office (please mark your check for CRS Chile) or go directly to their website at www.crs.org.

Operation Rice Bowl, an annual CRS fundraiser, supports many good works throughout the developing world. Our community Rice Bowl in the Gathering Area (look for the dangling coins!) is waiting for your loose change!

Donations of Food, especially canned protein (tuna, meat, beans) are very much needed at EACM. As we do our own grocery shopping, let's remember the hungry with compassion.



We're back from our **Honduras Mission** and will share our photos, stories and personal experience at the **March 29 Potato Supper**, as well as displaying the water filters and paper bead jewelry. Please plan to join us at 6:30P in the Community Center. You'll learn how you can be a part of our response to the needs of our friends in Honduras—even if you can't travel!

Backside Mission: This spring the Backside Mission will begin holding a **Children's Chapel** in the renovated tumble bus recently donated to Churchill Downs. We are looking for parish members who might be interested in helping with this ministry one Mon. night a month. Activity and lessons plans will be available for volunteers to use. If you're interested in participating or would like more information, please contact Muffy Sinclair, 742-5835, (muffy.sinclair@insightbb.com) or Ann Wittman, 435-8417, (ann.wittman@gmail.com)....**Church of Epiphany will serve dinner to the backside workers** of Churchill Downs on Mon., Apr. 5, following the chapel service (which begins at 7P). If you're interested in helping that evening, or would like more information, contact Muffy Sinclair.

Temporary stop on Backside/Trackside drop off on back porch!!! Thank you for the generous donations of items given in the past. **At this time no collections are needed for the Backside.** We ask that you take your donations to another area charity. We will put a notice in the bulletin when specific things are needed in the future.

Checking up via our **Epiphany website** is a great way to keep up with all the Social Responsibility activities. Did you know that you can sign up via the website for email updates on all new parish news? Go to www.churchofepiphany.com.

Developing Ministries: Several of our Epiphany members have expressed interest in developing a "**Life Concerns**" or pro-life group, and efforts are in the works to set up a committee. We're also looking to develop a **Peacework** group. If you're interested too, please contact Sister Lorraine, 245-9733, X-19.

(Social Responsibility, continued.....)

Environmental Concerns: (Battery Collection) Apr. 5, 7P; clean up our Adopt-A-Plot area. Meets on 1st Mon.

St. Vincent DePaul: Mon., Apr. 5, 5P (Emergency Assistance, furniture/clothing donations). Meets on 1st Mon.

Steering Committee: Mon., Apr. 12, 7P. Meets on 2nd Mon.

Backside Mission: Tues., Apr. 13, 7P, Epiphany House Dining Rm (Holy Name Daycare, Backside Food Pantry, Dare to Care partnership, Clothes Closet) Meets on 2nd Tues.

Latino Concerns: Sun., Apr. 11, 12:45P (Arts Project, EACM, JustFaith Immigration program) Meets on 2nd Sun.

Hunger & Poverty: No meeting scheduled at this time.

Women's Concerns: Usually meets on 3rd Weds.

Other Opportunities

Ups and Downs, a support group for those dealing with depression and anxiety, will meet on Thurs., Mar. 25, 7:00-8:30P in the Youth Rm. of the Parish Office building at St. Michael Church, 3705 Stone Lakes Dr. Call Fr. Richard Sullivan, 266-5611, X-2, for more info. A \$5 donation is requested.

Membership in the Parish: A hearty welcome to all new families moving into our parish! We ask you, please, to register as soon as possible in our parish community. Hospitality folks are available in the chapel after all weekend liturgies to assist you in completing a registration form, or stop by the office, Monday-Friday, 9A to 4P.

Eucharistic Liturgy:

Saturday, 5:30P; Sunday, 9:00A and 11:30A.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 8:30A; Thursday, 6:30P (Spanish).

For the Hearing Impaired: Receivers are available in the sacristy.

Taizé Prayer: 6:50A on the second Friday of each month.

Food Items to Share with the Needy:

We encourage bringing non-perishable food to liturgies.

Bulletin Material Deadline: Monday 10:00A *in print*

Epigram Material Deadline: Second Tuesday of the month.

Adult Catechumenate: The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is an ongoing process through which a person becomes a member of the Roman Catholic Church. Anyone interested in this process or simply curious about our faith tradition is invited to participate in our regularly scheduled sessions. For information, call Epiphany House.

Infant Baptisms: We ask that parents requesting this first initiation sacrament for their children be registered members of Epiphany for at least three months. Our Baptism Preparation Program consists of two sessions. We encourage you to participate in these sessions during the pregnancy. Baptism is celebrated approximately every two months at weekend liturgies.

Reconciliation: This sacrament of spiritual healing is celebrated communally six times a year. Exact dates are published in the bulletin. Other opportunities for this sacrament are by appointment.

Christian Marriage: Anyone wishing to be married at Epiphany must either be a dependent child of a registered family or be a registered parishioner him/herself. This registration must have taken place at least three months prior to the request for marriage. In addition, **the Archdiocese of Louisville requires a 6-month planning period prior to any wedding.** Call the pastor as soon as possible to begin preparations and tentative scheduling for your wedding date.

Ministry to the Sick:

Hospital & Nursing Homes - Please call Epiphany's office to notify us as soon as a family member is admitted. Hospitals cannot call us for privacy reasons. For the same privacy reasons, we can only accept calls from *immediate family members*.

Anointing of the Sick – Offered on Wednesdays during the 8:30A liturgy in the Chapel. Any parish member suffering from a serious physical or emotional illness may receive this sacrament by calling Epiphany's office.

Communion for the Sick - Any parishioner who would like to receive communion in the home may do so by calling Epiphany's office. A family member or a Eucharistic Minister will bring communion at a mutually agreed upon time.