

TODAY'S CALENDAR

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Church School
11:30 a.m. St. Nicholas Singers
5:00 p.m. Twilight Rite: Holy Eucharist

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TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Rummage Sale a success! Thanks for your donations as well. If you need a receipt for your donations, please see Pam Metzinger.

The Lawn Rangers need your help! The Lawn Rangers are men and women who cut and trim the grass at 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. If you are interested, please call Tom Seils at 247-1401.

Mother's Day is May 11th, and we're planning a slide show of photos of our moms and mother figures. Please email your electronic files to Mother Nancy (nancy.stevens@epiphanygatesny.org) or bring your photos to church. We'll scan them, then return them to you.

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Tuesday, April 15 11:00 a.m. Rector's Office Hours
(until 2:00 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Liturgy Planning

Wednesday, April 16 5:00 p.m. Rector's Office Hours
(until 8:00 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 17 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:45 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bell Choir

Friday, April 18

Office Closed

Sunday, April 20

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Bell Choir Warm-up
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Church School
11:30 a.m. St. Nicholas Singers
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Committee: The next Youth Committee meeting will be held on **Monday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome!

The Men of Epiphany (MOE) will gather on **Thursday, May 1st** at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship - watch for the sign-up sheet and menu! Come, bring a friend, and enjoy!

Diane Mancini will host an event for children on Sunday, May 4th during Children's Worship time (10:00 a.m.). The children will stuff teddy bears to donate to hospitalized children. This event will help sick children as well as Diane as she works to achieve her Girl Scout Silver Award. Please come and help if you can. Thank you.

The Women of Epiphany (WOE) will visit our homebound members during the **week of May 4th - 10th**. Visits may be made during the day or the evening - please call ahead to set up a time to visit. Plants will be available for pickup beginning on Sunday, May 4th. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Our homebound members really look forward to our annual visit.

WOE's Ice Cream social will be on **Thursday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m.** Please indicate on the sign-up sheet if you need sugar-free selections. We will be asking for volunteers to be on the Allocations Committee (which decides how our rummage sale proceeds will be disbursed). If you are interested in taking part on this committee, please speak with Pam Metzinger.

The Rite-13 rehearsal dinner will be on **Saturday, May 10th at 6:30 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

Roadmap to Adulthood: In our society, the line between childhood and adulthood is often a fuzzy one. Unlike other cultures, we don't have formalized rites of passage that define the points along the path to adulthood. We need ways to tell our young people they are making progress; they are growing and learning; they are becoming adults. The *Journey to Adulthood* program attempts to do just that.

On Sunday, May 11th we will celebrate an important rite of passage during the 10 o'clock service with some of our teens. This liturgy is formally called "The Celebration of Manhood and Womanhood," but is more well known as "Rite-13" since it takes place near the candidate's 13th birthday, much like a Jewish *bar mitzvah* or *bat mitzvah*. During the ceremony, we recognize the gift of womanhood or manhood that God bestows on each one of us. This is a free gift that we cannot earn and need not prove. The gift is the essence of who we are. As we grow and mature in the journey to adulthood, our knowledge and skills increase, but the magical core of who we are remains the same.

We are compiling advice from our congregation for our teens to be included in "Epiphany's Book of Wisdom." Please use the yellow insert to give a bit of advice to our young people; place it in the collection plate or in the container near the mailboxes by **Sunday, May 4th** - thank you!

RAIHN: Our next week to work with the Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network (RAIHN) at Trinity Emmanuel Lutheran Church is **May 11th - 18th**. A sign-up sheet is in the hallway. Please stop by and see how you can help out! Please call Marsha Pulhamus (352-0149) with any question you may have.

Don't miss the 8th Annual Ecumenical Concert sponsored by the Westside Coalition of Christian Churches on **Sunday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m.** at Pearce Memorial Church (4322 Buffalo Road in North Chili near Roberts Wesleyan College). **Musicians from our congregation are an active part of this group**, which has raised over \$8,000 for charity. The concert is free, and there will be a free will offering to benefit St. Francis Outreach Ministries, a local effort to help those in need who "fall through the cracks" with donations of food, household items and emergency cash. Come, and bring a friend to this special event!

Red Wings Concessions: Once again this summer the parish will be staffing Rohrbach's and Dip 'n Dots stands at Red Wings baseball games to raise money for our church! Each game will be sponsored by one of our ministries; we encourage participants in those ministries to help on those nights.

The dates are:

Friday, May 9th	J2A Pilgrimage Fund
Friday, May 16th	Music
Wednesday, May 28th	Stewardship
Monday, June 2nd	JVB Scholarship Fund
Friday, June 27th	J2A Pilgrimage Fund
Friday, July 4th	Stewardship
Saturday, July 5th	Fellowship
Sunday, July 27th	Youth
Friday, August 8th	Music
Friday, August 22nd	Service
Tuesday, August 26th	Formation
Friday, August 29th	Fellowship

Proceeds from the June 2nd game are designated for the John VanBrederode Scholarship Fund; proceeds from the May 9th & June 27th games are designated for the J2A pilgrimage fund. Sign-up sheets are posted in the hallway by the Auxiliary Room. Please check your calendars and plan on helping us out - it's really fun! Contact Don Metzinger with any questions.

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COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A reminder: Don't forget to sign up by April 25th if you wish to attend Bishop McKelvey's retirement reception on May 10th at Steamboat Landing. Call Kathy in the Parish Office at 247-4190, or sign up on the bulletin board.

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