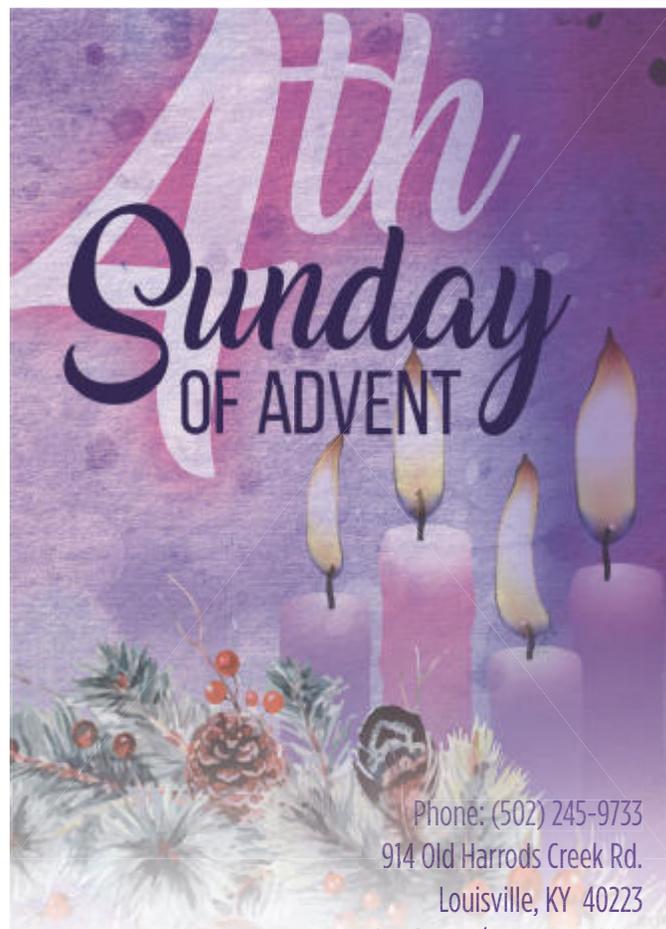




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Bienvenido a Iglesia Católica Epifanía.  
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**Membership in the Parish:** A hearty welcome to all new families moving into our parish! Hospitality folks are available after all weekend liturgies to assist you in completing a registration form, or call the office, Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

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

**Reconciliation:** This sacrament of spiritual healing is celebrated communally two times a year. It is offered every Saturday at 4 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Other opportunities for this sacrament are by appointment.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Anyone wishing to be married at Epiphany must either be a registered parishioner or dependent child of a registered family. The Archdiocese of Louisville requires a minimum 6-month preparation & planning period prior to any wedding.

**Adult Catechumenate:** The Rite 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 is invited to participate in our regularly scheduled sessions. For information about adult and child RCIA, call Epiphany’s office.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Available during or after daily or Sunday liturgy in the Worship Center. Any parishioner can request the sacrament at any time by calling Epiphany’s office.

**Ministry to the Sick:** Parishioners admitted to Hospitals & Nursing Homes—Please call Epiphany’s office to notify us as soon as a family member is admitted.

*"Yes."*

*She said it for all of us.*

*"Yes."*

*Let us say it,  
every year after year,  
summer, fall, winter and spring,  
every ordinary minute of every ordinary day.*

*Can Jesus be at home in our flesh as he was in Mary's?*



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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DECEMBER 20, 2020**

*Only Cantors sing, but you are welcome to hum along.*

**ENTRANCE SONG: O Come, O Come Emmanuel**

Thomas Helmore

O come, o come Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel. That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! O Israel, to you shall come Emmanuel.

O come, O Wisdom from on high, who order all things mightily; to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.

O come, O Dayspring from on high, and cheer us by your drawing nigh; disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadow put to flight.

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**Penitential Act 2**

**Priest:** Have mercy on us, O Lord

**All:** For we have sinned against you.

**Priest:** Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

**All:** And grant us your salvation.

**FIRST READING: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8-14**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Let Us See Your Kindness**

Marty Haugen

Lord, let us see your kindness. Lord, let us see your kindness.

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**SECOND READING: Romans 16: 25-27**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Litany of the Word**

Bernadette Farrell

.....Alleluia

.....Maranatha!

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**GOSPEL: Luke 1: 26-38**

**PROFESSION OF FAITH: Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary*, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day he arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**RESPONSE TO PRAYERS OF PETITION:** Come anew, O Christ.

**PREPARATION OF GIFTS: My Soul in Stillness Waits**

Marty Haugen

For You, O God, my soul in stillness waits, truly my hope is in You.

O Lord of Light, our only hope of glory, Your radiance shines in all who look to you. Come, light the hearts of all in dark and shadow.

O Spring of Joy, rain down upon our spirits, our thirsty hearts are yearning for your Word. Come, make us whole, be comfort to our hearts.

O Root of Life, implant your seed within us, and in your advent, draw us all to you, our hope reborn in dying and in rising.

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**EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS: Spoken**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The myst'ry of faith ...* When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION SONG: Pacem** sung by the Epiphany Choir**RECESSIONAL SONG: Sing We Maranatha**

Rory Cooney

Here in laughter, there in tears, each embrace that chases fears, ev'ry nightmare kissed away inches forth your day.

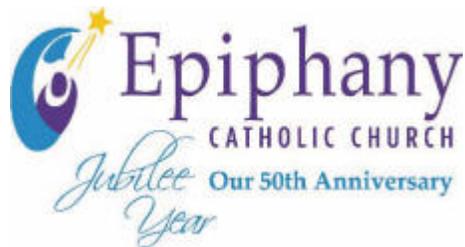
Here in mourning, there in birth, ev'ry groaning of the earth, in each tested love proved true, Christ is born anew.

Let us see you where you are, breath of lovers, seed of star, source and heart of ev'rything, sing we Maranatha!

Here in labor, there in play, justice chosen on the way, each revenge refused its right drives away the night.

Father's hands and mother's breast, spent in love and laid to rest, life consumed by sacrifice, Christ before our eyes.

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December 19, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for making the 2021 Stewardship Renewal a success in many ways. Because of your commitment to Prayer, Participation, and Generosity, we will shine bright in 2021. We continue to plan for many new and improved ministries and events this coming year as we celebrate 50 years of Epiphany history during our Jubilee Celebration.

### Highlights

Areas of growth:

- 46% of our households completed their 2021 Renewal online or returned a printed copy
- 50% of the households with email addresses on file with the parish office used Online Stewardship Renewal
- 24% more households, or 531, used our Online Stewardship Renewal compared to last year's 429 households
- 187 individuals are "INTERESTED" in a ministry they were not actively involved during 2020
- 25 more families will tithe in 2021
- 174 Stewardship packets mailed to only those without emails on file

Areas of decline:

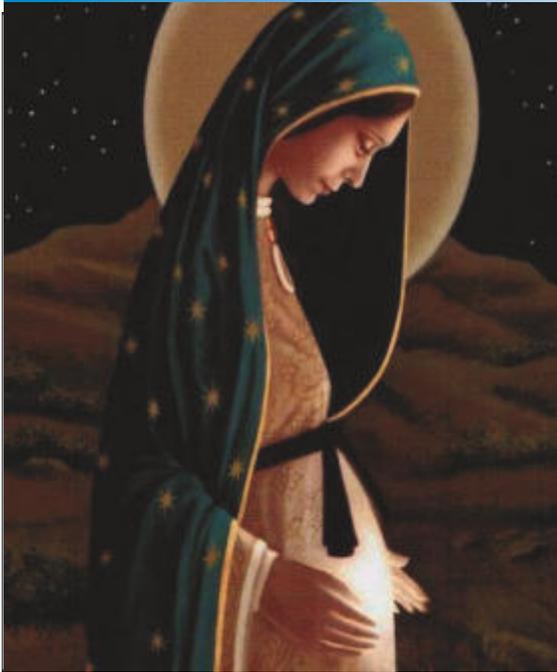
- 35 of 174 households, or only 33%, returned a printed Stewardship Covenant Card compared to 54% last year
- 20% decrease in pledged dollars for 2021
  - 2021: \$991,339 pledged
  - 2020: \$1,236,917 pledged
- 23% decrease in amount pledged per family
  - 2021: \$2325
  - 2020: \$1780

The year 2020 has been challenging, to the say least, for many due to COVID-19 restrictions placed on us concerning worship and gatherings and the uncertainty of employment and the stock market. We hope that wearing masks, social distancing, and a vaccine will reignite our community to once again be the hub of activity it was prior to COVID-19. As we look forward to 2021, we will celebrate the Jubilee Year kick-off with our Feast of Epiphany in January.

For those who completed the 2021 Covenant Card, thank you for continuing to serve the community by carrying out the Lord's work in our parish. If you were not able to complete your renewal by October 31<sup>st</sup> and would like to continue with your ministries and 2020 pledge, covenant cards are available in the Connector. Please complete one and return to Angie Fox, Director of Parish Engagement. We can accomplish more as a community than we can alone.

With much gratitude,

Stewardship & Evangelization Committee



Today's scriptures reveal a God who makes a home with us, One who takes on our very humanity to love us more completely. Mary allows God to make a home in her - trusting God, and doing what must be done to make God's will a present reality. Like Mary, it's up to us to prepare the way -- for God to make a home in our hearts and lives. How is the presence of Christ becoming real in you? How can we, the body of Christ, become light and life for the world?

*"Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her."*

Luke 1:38

It is through Mary's "YES" that the promise of the prophets finds fulfillment. Mary serves as a role model for all stewards.



### Feast of Epiphany - Jubilee Kickoff

#### Two Events. One Celebration.

January 2nd – after 5:30 p.m. Mass

January 3rd – between the 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 2:30 p.m. Masses  
Community Center

Contact Elaine Zeller at 502-417-7208 to reserve your table today.



### Sunday Connections on Thursday

Sunday Connections on Thursday is a weekly discussion and prayer session focused on the readings for Mass. We will use the lectio divina contemplative method. No homework! No Bible study experience or knowledge needed. Delve deeper in your relationship with God and connect with others hoping to find words of comfort and challenge in the Gospels. Sign up on our website or contact Lisa Downs, [lisa@epiphanycatholicchurch.org](mailto:lisa@epiphanycatholicchurch.org).

### Coping with Covid during the Holidays

A Zoom conversation with Dr. Jenny Schiller, a Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist with over 15 years experience, who also holds a J.D. and D.Min.



Monday, December 21 - 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Topic: Relationships

Please register on our Epiphany website under Learn/Faith Formation. For questions, contact Lisa Downs at [lisa@epiphanycatholicchurch.org](mailto:lisa@epiphanycatholicchurch.org).

### Be the Light in 2021

Epiphany Catholic Church has been the LIGHT for many in the community in its 50 year history. In 1995, the 10% Fund was amended to provide for a "Parish Grant Program," which is known today as the Annual Grant. This program sets aside money for a parishioner-sponsored project that empowers the parish to be more active. The first project, to build temporary portable housing for migrant workers, was proposed by Tom & Vicki Schwager. The construction work was done and completed by parishioners over eight consecutive weekends in 1996.

*"From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded."* Luke 12:48

### Thank You, Epiphany!

Thank you to all of our Advent phone tree and flower delivery volunteers for serving as the hands of Christ; this "ministry of presence" to our fellow parishioners would not be possible without your help. Volunteers connected to parishioners by voice and delivered flowers to nursing home residents and the homebound last weekend.

### Quiet Prayer Time Opportunity

During weekday business hours, the Worship Center and Chapel are available for individual quiet prayer and contemplation. Please practice "Healthy at Worship" by wearing a mask, social distancing, and other safety precautions. Thank you in advance.



**Reserve your seats today for one of these Masses.** Reserving your spot will help us all follow the “Healthy at Worship” safety protocols.

Go to [epiphanycatholicchurch.churchreserve.com](http://epiphanycatholicchurch.churchreserve.com) to make your reservations. Fr. Tony will walk you through the process in a how-to video on our YouTube channel.

Christmas Eve: 4:00 p.m. (live stream with ASL), 7:00 p.m., 11:00 p.m.  
 Christmas Day: 10:00 a.m.

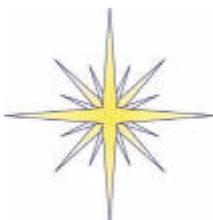
**A Meaningful Advent Family Activity!**

Research one or more of the organizations below and talk together about their mission. Pick one or two to support financially as a family (including kids!) and to follow throughout the new year. This is just a sampling of the organizations recently supported by Epiphany’s Ten Percent Commitment.—Thank you!

Backside Learning Center, Centro Latino, Common Earth Gardens (Catholic Charities), Doors of Hope, Family Community Clinic, The Golden Arrow Center, The Hope Buss, Kendall Optometry Ministry, Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light, Lifehouse Maternity Home, Mary’s Pence, Metropolitan Housing Coalition, Mission Behind Bars and Beyond, New Roots, St. Vincent Mission (David, KY), Women’s Global Cancer Alliance

**Feast of Epiphany - Jubilee Kickoff**

**Week #3 Question:** In what year was the first Parish Grant Program, known now as the Annual Grant, project completed?



\*Remember to write your answers for the next few weeks on the insert in this week’s Bulletin.

**Save the Dates & Times**

**Upcoming Feast Days:**

Feast of the Holy Family:  
 Saturday, December 26, 5:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, December 27, 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., 2:30 (Spanish Mass)

Feast of Mary the Mother of God & World Day of Prayer for Peace:  
 New Year’s Day, 10:00 a.m.

Feast of Epiphany:  
 Saturday, January 2, 5:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, January 3, 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., 2:30 (Spanish Mass)

**Our Feast Day kicks off our Golden Jubilee!**

**Donations for 2020 Tax Year**

There are more income tax deductions this year with the CARES Act. You have several different ways of contributing a gift (cash, stock, retirement accounts, and more). We recommend that you seek advice from a qualified professional. You will need to make your donations to Epiphany before the end of the day on Wednesday, December 30th. If you have any questions, please contact Lynne Webb or Mary Downs in the parish office.

Keep in mind the parish office is closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Year’s Eve, and New Year’s Day.

**Mass Intentions for the Coming Week:**

Sat. Dec. 19	5:30 a.m.	Bob & Nancy Langan 50th Anniversary
Sun. Dec. 20	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	Parish RIP Tom Breslin Spanish Mass
Mon. Dec. 21	5:30 p.m.	Parish
Tues. Dec. 22	8:30 a.m.	RIP Helen Bolton
Wed. Dec. 23	8:30 a.m.	Parish
Thurs. Dec. 24	4, 7, 11 p.m.	Parish
Fri. Dec. 25	10:00 a.m.	Parish
Sat. Dec. 26	5:30 p.m.	RIP George Ann Lamb
Sun. Dec. 27	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	Parish Parish Spanish Mass



### 2020 Collection for Catholic Charities

As a parish, we are asked to contribute the equivalent of 50% of our average weekend collections, about \$13,200, to support the local services of Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Louisville. Your generosity helps fund many vital ministries and social services, including the Sister Visitor Center and the Mother-Infant Care program. Contributions made in the normal collection for Catholic Charities will reduce the total we send from our stewardship. Please designate on the envelope or check that your donation is for Catholic Charities. You can use our Online Giving program to contribute to any Second Collection. Look for the Give heading on the top right of EpiphanyCatholicChurch.org, but be sure to donate before December 26. Thank you for your generous support!

### Kentucky Bishops: Contact Congress Now for COVID-19 Relief

The Catholic Conference of Kentucky (CCK) urges citizens to contact Members of Congress and tell them to pass a COVID-relief agreement NOW. To see this Action Alert and to sign up for CCK's future alerts, please visit: [votervoicenet.com/CCKY/Home](https://votervoicenet.com/CCKY/Home). The Catholic Conference of Kentucky represents the four KY bishops on public policy matters.

### PPC Meeting Highlight

PPC voted unanimously to change the By-Law 02 related to the Parish Pastoral Council. Specifically, the nominations for officers will begin prior to the regularly scheduled July meeting. And, additional clarity was provided for the nomination, appointment, and terms of youth representatives.

### Spiritual Autobiography

You are invited to receive materials and help with writing your own spiritual biography. Register on our website to receive the materials by going to the Forms/Reservations heading. We will meet monthly through Zoom to discuss the process. Contact Lisa Downs for more information. Deadline to register is January 10.

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