## Epiphany of Our Lord Church



### From the Pastor



"I know that the preparation of the Annual Pastoral Report requires much time and effort on your part and on the part of your staff, time and effort which you are already giving to many other endeavors, and I am extremely grateful for your kind assistance," Monsignor Gerard C. Mesure, Chancellor, wrote to me in his letter dated 18 February 2011 (see p.6), acknowledging receipt of our Annual Pastoral Report for 2010.

"This process, which is so very important this year, is intended to provide an overview to your parishioners of the many ways Catholic education unfolds in the parish from the time a child is born until the time of death," Dr. Richard McCarron, Secretary for Catholic Education, and his staff, wrote to me in their letter dated 18 February 2011 (see p.7), acknowledging receipt of our parish Annual Review of Catholic Education for 2010.

The results of the review were published in our parish bulletin dated 20 February 2011.

#### **SON Committee-Manna Bags**

The SON Committee will be distributing Manna collection bags this weekend, Mar. 12-13, following all Masses. Consider returning the bags filled with various canned goods for the needy in our area next weekend, Mar. 19-20, when we will be collecting them outside Parish Center Room I in the Church parking lot after all Masses. Please do not leave them in the Church or the rectory. For further information, call Jim O'Connor at (215) 283-2447.

#### **Monthly Vigil for Life**

This vigil will start with Mass on Saturday, Mar. 19, at 7 p.m. at St. John Evangelist Church, 13<sup>th</sup> and Market Sts., Philadelphia, followed by clergy-led prayerful presence at a nearby abortion center. Participants pray the Rosary for the unborn. They then return to St. John's for adoration and benediction. Sponsored by the Helpers of God's Precious Infants.

We will carpool from the Epiphany parking lot leaving at 6:15 a.m. and returning shortly after 10 a.m. For further information, contact Bernie Toth at (610) 279-2788.

**Epiphany of Our Lord Church** 

#### **Lenten Schedule**



#### **Lenten Weekday Masses**

March 10 – April 20 Monday through Friday - 8:30 A.M. Saturday – 8:30 A.M.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Wednesdays, March 16 – April 20 1:45 P.M. (School Children)

Thursdays, March 17 – April 14 7 P.M. (Parish)

#### **Lenten Confessions**

Wednesdays, March 16 – April 20 7 P.M. – 8 P.M.

No Confessions on Holy Saturday April 23

## Fast, Abstinence & Other Acts of Penance for Lent



► The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as a minimal obligation, that all people who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eat-

ing meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Further, all people eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

- ► All the faithful are encouraged to participate in Mass and to receive the Most Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.
- ► All are encouraged to participate in "Operation Rice Bowl," which has aided countless hungry people here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.

#### **CYO Athletic Ministry Update**

The next dance is Friday, Mar. 18, from 7-10 p.m. All parish children in grades 6, 7, & 8 are welcome.

#### **Deacon Candidate to Become Acolyte**

Michael Pascarella, a parishioner and candidate for the permanent diaconate, will be formally instituted into the Ministry of Acolyte on Saturday, Mar. 19, at 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend.

#### **Ministry of Acolyte**

An instituted acolyte is appointed by the Church to aid the deacon and minister to the priest at the altar during liturgical celebrations, including the celebration of Mass.

The acolyte to distributes Holy Communion as an extraordinary minister and purify sacred vessels; also, in the true absence of a priest or deacon, to expose the Blessed Sacrament for adoration by the faithful, and afterward repose it, but without the blessing.

The acolyte also instructs temporary acolytes who have been appointed to assist the priest or deacon in liturgical celebrations by carrying the missal, cross, and candles.

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

Sister Marie Michele Donnelly, R.S.M., and Sister Mary Anne Nolan, R.S.M., will present the topic "Life long process of transformation aligning ourselves with Jesus' teaching and example" on Monday, Mar. 21, at 7 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room.

#### The Little Black Book

If you were not at Mass last weekend or on Ash Wednesday when The Little Black Book was distributed, you may call Joan Purcell at (610) 279-3221 to reserve a book.

#### **Usher's Ministry New Members**

The Usher's Ministry is seeking new members for any or all of the Masses, especially for 5 p.m. on Saturday and for 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. Men, women and young adults 16 or older are invited to join this organization. Please provide your name, address, phone number and email to one of the ushers, or contact lim Keating at (215) 646-5046.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Mar. 14

8:30 A.M. – John Guiffrida

Tuesday, Mar. 15

8:30 A.M. — Guarino Family

Wednesday, Mar. 16

8:30 A.M. - Sam Panichello

Thursday, Mar. 17

8:30 A.M. - Geoge Landmesser

Friday, Mar. 18

8:30 A.M. - Jack & Kathleen Minutella

Saturday, Mar. 19

8:30 A.M. – Joseph Guarino

#### **Lector Ministry**

The Lector Ministry will begin a formation session for new lectors during the first week of Lent. All persons interested in participating in this rewarding ministry are invited to contact Pete Boylan at (610) 277-1357 for additional details.

The training session usually takes five weeks and meets one night a week for approximately 90 minutes. Special Note to current lectors. Why not invite other members of your family to join our ministry?

#### **Epiphany 55**

Epiphany 55 is running a trip to Pittsburg Wednesday, June 15 and Saturday, June 18. It includes 2 shows, meals and a stop at the Flight 93 Memorial. Call Frank DeVito at (215) 699-4133 if interested. Price is 699, pp. double occupancy plus \$ 56 trip insurance. All are welcome!

#### **Please Pray For The Sick**



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#### **Baptism**



We welcome to our Parish Family

Mia Patricia Mascaro
Baptized Mar. 6

Please Remember in your Prayers Those Who Have Died

#### Mary Josephine McKee

Who died Mar. I

Wife of Joseph J. McKee, Mother of Sheila, Ruhl, Susan, John and Bill McKee





#### Lord,

We pray for the safety of our troops!

#### Stewardship is a way of life. Tithing is God's Plan for Giving.

Last Week's Tithe \$ 20,475 Last Year's Tithe \$ 17,355 Children's Tithe \$ 20.35

#### From the Pastor:

Thank you to all our parishioners who submitted nominations for our annual Parish Pastoral Council nomination and election process. Nominees will be invited to an Information Session to help them discern the role of council members and decide if they wish to accept their nomination. If more than two parishioners accept their nominations, an Election Ballot will be mailed to your homes to vote for two nominees to fill the vacant council seats. Winners will be announced in the parish bulletin.

#### From the Pews:

Tithing is a concrete expression of all the theological fruits rolled up into one: an act of FAITH, a sign of HOPE, a response to LOVE.

#### From the Children:

Helped nana work the TV. Helped my Dad build the basketball net. Showed good teamwork. Was kind and shared with family.

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February 18, 2011

Reverend Joseph J. Quindlen Epiphany of Our Lord Church 3050 Walton Road Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462-2361

Dear Father Quindlen:

I gratefully acknowledge receipt of the 2010 Annual Pastoral Report for Epiphany of Our Lord Parish. The information which is provided on this report is of great assistance to many archdiocesan offices and agencies and particular to your Regional Bishop and Regional Vicar. It is my hope that through gathering the information which goes into the pastoral report the people of the archdiocese will be better served.

The pastoral concerns which you have identified will be brought to the attention of the appropriate office(s), where it then will be given proper consideration. Your observations and insights are important and are always appreciated.

I know that the preparation of the Annual Pastoral Report requires much time and effort on your part and on the part of your staff, time and effort which you are already giving to many other endeavors, and I am extremely grateful for your kind assistance. With continued best wishes and prayers for you and for all the People of God you serve, I remain

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor Gerard C. Mesure, J.D., J.C.D.

Chancellor



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February 18, 2011

Rev. Joseph J. Quindlen Epiphany of Our Lord Rectory 3050 Walton Road Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Dear Father Quindlen:

Thank you for your response to this year's Annual Review of Catholic Education in your Parish. This process, which is so very important this year, is intended to provide an overview to your parishioners of the many ways Catholic education unfolds in the parish from the time a child is born until the time of death. The broad audiences within the parish include: sacramental preparation and reception, faith formation for elementary school-aged children, as well as the youth of the parish beyond the elementary school-aged years. Young adult and adult faith formation programs are key areas in which the parish assumes responsibility to provide instruction that is ongoing and fruitful.

The information you provided has gone to your regional bishop and to Bishop Michael J. Fitzgerald. Your response to the Annual Review of Catholic Education in the Parish will also be presented to the Staff of the Office of Catholic Education.

May you be filled with all the graces you need to lead many to Christ. The offices of the Archdiocese stand ready to assist you in your leadership role as needed.

Sincerely,

Dr. Richard McCarron Secretary for Catholic Education

Richard Mc Carrow

Mary E. Rochford Superintendent of Schools

Mary E. Roufford

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TUESDAY: 5-6 AM, 12-1PM, 12:30-2AM,

2-3:30AM

WEDNESDAY: 12-1PM, 4-5PM, 7-8PM,

12:30-2AM, 2-3:30AM, 3:30-5AM

THURSDAY: 7-8PM, 12:30-2AM

FRIDAY: 5-6AM, 9-10 AM, 6-7PM, 7-8PM,

3:30-5AM

SATURDAY: 11-12PM, 12-1PM, 1-2PM, 3-4PM,

9-10PM, 2-3:30AM, 3:30-5AM

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Rev. Joseph J. Quindlen, Pastor Rev. James J. Kelly: In Residence (Retired)

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#### Office of Religious Education:

www.epiphanyrep.webs.com (610) 825-6790. Heddy M. Martorelli: Coordinator of Religious Education

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY** 5 p.m. Vigil

(fulfills the Sunday Obligation)

**SUNDAY** 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.

**DAILY** 8:30 a.m. Monday to Saturday

**HOLYDAYS** Vigil at 7 p.m.

8:30 a.m., 12 p.m. & 7 p.m.

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

#### **RECTORY HOURS**

 MONDAY-THURSDAY
 8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

 FRIDAY
 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

 Closed for lunch:
 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

 SATURDAY
 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

 SUNDAY
 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

A mail slot is located in the rectory front door.

#### **OFFICE REQUESTS**



To register in the parish, arrange for a baptism, or request a Certificate of Eligibility for sponsorship at baptism or confirmation, you may contact the rectory. You may come in person to

the rectory to meet with one of the deacons on any Sunday of the month after the 9:30 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Masses. Also, please advise our office of any change of address, telephone number or family status.

#### **Baptism**

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday after the 11:30 a.m. Mass, except on the fifth Sunday of the month when Baptism is celebrated during the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Both parents must attend a Pre-Jordan class, which is held the first Wednesday of every month. Pre-Registration for the class is required by coming to the Rectory office after the 9:30 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Masses on any Sunday and seeing a Priest or Deacon. Sponsors are required to obtain a letter from their church stating they are members in good standing.

#### Marriage

Notify the Priest of your intention to marry at least six months before the date of the wedding to assure sufficient preparation and to arrange for Pre-Cana instruction and Natural Family Planning sessions. Pre-Cana Days are held in April and October.

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

First Saturday of the month during 8:30 a.m. Mass or by special request. Please notify the rectory as soon as possible when any parishioner becomes seriously ill or is admitted to the hospital.

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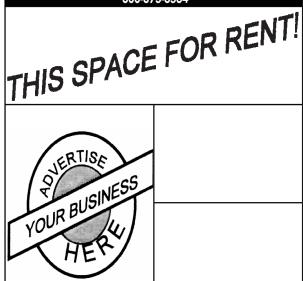
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#### A Note from the Principal



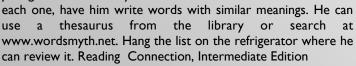
Rarely am I sick, but the stomach virus hit me this past week. I just about moved from the bed to the couch. The interesting thing is that the same daytime television shows are airing that were on when I was a child. Would you

believe, Let's Make a Deal is on? There is a different host. I also took a peek at All My Children—the same characters are still living in Pine City. Aren't there any new ideas?

Q. My son has a tough time with vocabulary quizzes. What can I do to help? A. Try sneaking in a little extra vocabulary practice. The more your youngster uses the words, the easier it will be for him to remember them. Do puzzles. You can turn vocabulary words and their definitions into simple crossword puzzles at http://puzzlemaker.discoveryeducation.com. Select

"Criss-Cross" from the puzzle menu in the middle of the screen.

Hunt for treasure. Encourage your child to find and circle vocabulary words in newspapers and magazines. Have him read the sentences aloud. Seeing the words used in context will help him learn their meanings. Use synonyms. List your youngster's vocabulary words. Then, beside



#### **IBL Season In Full Swing**

Future NBA All-Stars have been learning the rules of basketball at Epiphany. This weekend marks the third weekend of exciting games for children in grades I-4. The children are divided on to A and B teams based on their grades and then play against teams of the same age.

It has been a thrill to watch these young athletes gain confidence as well as skills. We thank Mr. Eric Friday for the excellent job that he as done in organizing the program.

#### **School News**



Mrs. D'Elia's pre-k 3 class began Nursery Rhymes last week. Some old favorites like "Jack Be Nimble," "The Old Lady in the Shoe," and "Humpty Dumpty" were some of the rhymes that they had fun with. They also talked about God as part of our world.

In pre-k 4, Mrs. Albone's class celebrated letter S by enjoying Silly Sock and Slipper Day!

They also made snakes, skunks, suns, and sailboats.

#### **School News Cont...**



In Religion, Mrs. Koneski's kindergarten class learned about how important their families are and drew pictures of their families. In Math, they learned about the value of people of pennies, nickels, and dimes. They learned

how to add coins.

As we enter the liturgical season of Lent, Mrs. Dunsmore's first grade class talked about the little ways daily that they can walk in Jesus' footsteps by acts of kindness and making good choices. Their goal is to help Jesus carry His heavy cross.

Mrs. Morasco's second grade class discussed and learned about Lent. In Math, they continued learning about money. In Science, they wrapped up their 'States of Matter' unit.

**In Religion, Ms. Palcko's third grade class** discussed Ash Wednesday, Lent and the Stations of the Cross. In Math, they learned division.

In fourth grade, Miss Catania's class discussed ways to follow Jesus during this Lenten Season. They will create circle graphs for a particular day of the week in Math. The bright children in fourth grade will learn how the colony of Pennsylvania was instrumental in the winning of the American Revolution.

Miss Miller's fifth graders left the Canadian Maritime Provinces for Quebec and Ontario. They moved on to prepositions in Grammar and Anointing of the Sick in Religion. Exponents in Math and fish in Science were interesting too.

The sixth graders in Mrs. O'Hagan's class are indentifying and drawing parts of circles. In Religion, they prepared for the Season of Lent. In Science, they learned about cells.

In Math, Mrs. Mower's seventh graders used scale drawings to represent something that is too large or too small to be drawn at its actual size. In Science, they learned about disease.

Miss Hallman's eighth grade class found the volume and surface area of solid figures. They headed to the City of Brotherly Love with Miss Mariani to check out the Edgar Allen Poe Museum, the Cathedral Basilica, and outdoor art in our amazing city! In Science, they learned about hydroelectric power and water treatments. In Religion, they made collages showing how we are all "Unique Children of God."

In Mrs. Mower's Honors Math Classes, the fourth grade class learned about 'Gallon Man.' The fifth grade class graphed data. The sixth grade class solved the Percent Proportion. The seventh grade class finished up graphs. The eighth grade finished their work with trinomials.