## **ANNOUNCEMENTS!!**

**Lenten Study:** Tuesday night offers a respite from Bible Study. All are invited to be part of learning about the Way of Love as a way of living our lives daily in the presence of a loving God.

This is a good time for self-examination, looking inward in order to be more God-filled.

Mar 2, 2021 07:00 PM - Mar 9, 2021 07:00 PM

Mar 16, 2021 07:00 PM - Mar 23, 2021 07:00 PM - Mar 30, 2021 07:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting from your computer or smart device here: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/91164698450">https://zoom.us/j/91164698450</a>
Call-in to the Tuesday group by phone: dial 1-646-876-9923, enter 91164698450# when prompted

Sunday Worship with Music & Spiritual Eucharist: via Zoom only at 11AM EST

Join Zoom Meeting on your PC or smart device here: https://zoom.us/j/99005230944

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Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 646 876 9923 US (New York) +1 253

215 8782 US (Tacoma) - +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) - +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) Meeting ID: 990

Or find your local number here: https://zoom.us/u/ajWMHyeC

For most current worship & bulletins links, please go to www.epiphanyglenburn.org

Parish Intercessions Feb.28-March 6: Birthdays: Donna Saunders; Liz Race; Heather Decker;

Al Mileski Jr.; Alice Lengel; Margaret Roth; Mark Lengel; HannahWhitney; Gail Bower;

Bette Connell; Pat McMahon; Chuck Saunders. Anniversary: Dean & Janet Ross.

For the Pygmy Ministry, Fr. Charles & Alice their principal

For Enner, the Honduran youth sponsored by Epiphany's Sunday School & The Group

For: Mo. Lou, our Priest-in-Charge, and Rev. John, our Deacon - For: Our Vestry & Staff

**Kids at Epiphany!** Connect virtually with each other Sunday mornings at 10.30am. Contact Mrs. Moran for more information, to confirm bi-weekly gathering: 570-815-9316, lorigm16@yahoo.com

**Services for Holy Week:** Palm Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup> 11am. Maundy Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup> 7pm. Good Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 7pm liturgy. Easter Day 9.00am (St. Peter's) 11am (Epiphany). All services will be via Zoom. Two add'l readers are needed for March 28<sup>th</sup> and Good Friday; email cote@epix.net

**Transform Stress into Vitality with Qigong:** Qigong utilizes stretch, flowing movements, deep breathing and mindfulness. Easy to learn and follow, these gentle movements stretch and strengthen muscles, improve balance and flexibility and reduce inflammation in joints. Anyone,

at any age, can use Qigong movements to achieve a deeper sense of calm and relieve tension and stress. Contact Rosalie (570) 885-7412, <a href="mailto:rallanfufaro@gmail.com">rallanfufaro@gmail.com</a> Thursday 6PM/Epiphany Commons Tuesday 10AM St. Peter's/Tunkhannock – Saturday 10AM Grow/Dickson City. \$10/class any place

**Epiphany's work Continues!** We are still working to stay connected with you, worshipping with you via Zoom, doing good works in the community! Please as you are able continue to drop-off or mail-in your offerings of support, to PO Box 189, Clarks Summit, PA 18411-0189. You may also use <a href="www.onrealm.org">www.onrealm.org</a> to give on-line using a check or credit/debit card; if you have previously logged in great! If you need help to set up a single or recurring donation please call the parish office, 570-563-1564. If you need 'courier service' of your offering, let us know that too and a happy masked representative from Epiphany will gladly stop by! We value you so do let us know what you need while we are unable to meet in person for worship and other gatherings.

## **Parish Directory Updates:**

Howard Hyde Rm 230, Clarks Summit Senior Living, 950 Morgan Hwy, Clarks Summit Pa 18411 Jane Nardella **Rm 104**, Clarks Summit Senior Living, 950 Morgan Hwy, Clarks Summit Pa 18411

**'One Small Act'** Good news indeed! Grants were awarded to help sustain this program: in 2021 \$4000 from The Robert H. Spitz Foundation by the Scranton Area Community Foundation; and in 2020 \$6000 from the Outreach Fund by Epiphany's Christian Outreach/Disaster Relief Committee.

- Each Sunday about 100 meals are sent to Scranton CIC (homeless day shelter) and 20 are picked up for Linden St. apartments, Clarks Summit.
- ➤ If you want to help pay for the weekly meal prepared EVERY Sunday, donations are gladly accepted. Make checks payable to Church of the Epiphany and memo 'Sunday Dinners'. Or give on-line at <a href="https://www.onRealm.org">www.onRealm.org</a> account selecting Fund 'Sunday Dinners for Neighbors.'

Black History Month Saturday Series: Join The Diocesan Task Force for Racial Justice and Reconciliation every Saturday of the month of February for a virtual time of prayer, learning with experts, and reflection! We will gather on zoom from 10:00am-11:30am EST. Register here: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqfu6tqjIuGdeT61ey5uMv\_1bW41m9mSqP">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqfu6tqjIuGdeT61ey5uMv\_1bW41m9mSqP</a> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Final Panel: 2/27 RAYAH LEVY, HEAD OF ADULT SERVICES AT THE BETHLEHEM AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY. Email me if you have any questions <a href="mailto:sandy@diobeth.org">sandy@diobeth.org</a> Sandy Milien

**'Stories of our People':** I have more news on another exciting project the Racial Justice and Reconciliation Task Force is doing for Black History Month. On Wednesdays this month, keep an eye on Facebook and the Diocesan website for interviews with Black members of the Diocese. You can check out the short preview on our diocesan FB page here (login required) <a href="https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=782251265728325">https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=782251265728325</a> and the full interview is on our diocese website: <a href="https://diobeth.org/racial-justice-reconciliation/">https://diobeth.org/racial-justice-reconciliation/</a> Take a look and share with others. Sandy

Easter Memorials & Thanksgivings: Once again, we will be worshipping virtually for Holy Week and Easter, as we did at Christmas time. In lieu of flower donations (entering homes and facilities is still unwarranted) please consider an Easter Memorial/Thanksgiving donation to any Epiphany Fund such as AGAPE; 'One Small Act' Sunday Meals; Reaching the Pygmies ministry; a few examples. You may continue to donate to the Altar Flower Fund as well. Please include the sentiment and donor's name for printing in Easter Day bulletin.

## **March Newsletter**

As we march into March, the Farmer's Almanac reminds us that it is still winter: "The first few days may have clouds and some rain showers followed by windy conditions with significant precipitation for the end of the 1st week. In the end of the week, a storm along the coast is expected to bring more inclement weather and then become sunny at the end of the 2nd week. Fair weather is expected for the 3rd week and snow is to fall in the 4th week in the north and rains in the south. The last couple of days are expected to gradually clear out." As we march into March, we are deep into Lent, COVID, and snow and cold. Yet, the days are getting longer. The vaccine is a sort of holy grail that many are reaching for, often coming up shorthanded. We have lost 1/2 a million people: loved ones, parents, godparents, elders, cousins. Many of us live in fear of being next to become ill.

So we hunker down, read books, play endless solitaire games, meet together electronically. What's missing for me is hugs, companionship, togetherness. Perhaps we have lost a sense of wonder.

While we sit and wait, we walk with Jesus towards the crucifixion. Perhaps the apostles felt lost, alone, unlovable as they waited for the elders and Romans to put an end to their gatherings. They are and prayed together, and they went fishing, trying to regain a sense of normalcy.

Lent this year is not normal. It is lonely. It is difficult. It is cold, harsh, fearful. Sit with these feelings. Sit with Jesus in the desert. Sit with the disciples in the upper room. Feel the hunger, the fear, the loss, the unknown. Mo. Lou

**Reminder:** it is not too late to take part in the madness... What madness, you say? March Madness? Do I need to learn basketball jargon? Heavens, no! It's LENT MADNESS! Check it out here: <a href="https://www.lentmadness.org">https://www.lentmadness.org</a> It's a fun way to learn about people who came before us.

Celebration of Blessed Absalom Jones and Black History Month- Sunday 2/28 at 3pm: The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, bishop and The Racial Justice and Reconciliation Task Force invite you to a Holy Eucharist this Sunday February 28, 2021 for the first diocesan celebration of Blessed Absalom Jones (Priests, 1818) and Black History Month. The Service will be at 3:00pm streamed via Facebook Live on the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem Facebook page here: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfBethlehem">https://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfBethlehem</a> Bishop Kevin will be the celebrant and *The Rt. Rev. Carlye Hughes*, Bishop of Newark will be our preacher; we hope you are able to attend. From Sandy Milien, Missioner for Community Engagement and Assistant to the Bishop, Diocese of Bethlehem 610-691-5655, ext 227 <a href="mailto:sandy@diobeth.org">sandy@diobeth.org</a>

COVID Vaccine Updates: For the most up-to-date information about receiving the COVID-19 vaccination, please visit the PA state website here: <a href="https://www.pa.gov/guides/get-vaccinated/">https://www.pa.gov/guides/get-vaccinated/</a> or call 1-877-724-3258.

\*There is now a call-in number for folks who are unable to sign-up on-line for the COVID vaccine; simply dial 211 from any phone. When prompted press 9 then enter your zip code; when prompted press 1 and wait for the next available agent. (This is the PA-211 telephone line powered by the United Way.) Your hold time may be 45min-1hr. You may be asked to go on a Wait List if vaccines are not currently available in the area you wish to travel. You may travel outside your county to receive a vaccine. There is also a mobile app for smartdevices available: COVID Alert PA, the official app by the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH) that uses the Exposure Notification System (ENS) provided by Apple and Google. Search 'covid alert pa' in the App Store or on Google Play to download. For more information about the app: <a href="https://www.pa.gov/covid/covid-alert-pa/">https://www.pa.gov/covid/covid-alert-pa/</a>

**PROECT UPLIFT:** Please consider a donation for this ministry, directing it to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 1109 Church St Moscow, PA 18444-9396. If questions call (570) 842-7231.

PROJECT UPLIFT launched at Saint Mark's in Moscow In some parts of Africa, human trafficking is a very real problem, especially for women. In partnership with Saint Philip's Church in New Hope, we're going to try to help in some way.

We'll be interfacing with an organization in Africa that helps women who have been rescued from desperate situations to set up their own businesses. One of these is the sale of women's bras, which are not as readily accessible in Africa as they are here. Even used items are cherished. So some of these women have been set up in their own businesses selling these items which can help them to sustain their new lives.

Please join us in collecting new and gently used women's bras to send to Africa in support of these women. There will be a collection basket in the lobby of the church and we invite you to drop off the items at your convenience. If you can't get to the church, let us know and we'll arrange to pick them up.

