

**Services at Epiphany:** Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist, celebrating the birth of Christ, will be held at 5:00 pm December 24. All are welcome to worship, sing, and receive communion!

December 26 at 10:00 am, Church of the Epiphany, Glenburn, and St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Tunkhannock will celebrate the joy of Lessons and Carols. This tradition began in the 1870's in England, and is a favorite combination of the Biblical story of the coming of Christ, interspersed with Christmas carols and hymns. All are welcome! There is no Eucharist at this service.

**Intercessions Dec 19-25:** *Birthdays:* Holly Gilpin; Peter Bower; *Anniversary:* Scott & Rev. Demery Bader-Saye. **Dec 26-Jan 1:** Sulema Soto-Correa; Chelfon Saunders; Sue Bullwinkel; Kelly Voigt Horn; Kristina Zeicker; Ethan Naylor; William English III; Don Kaye; Nash Dutton; Mark Patterson. *Anniversaries:* Judah & Kathy Whitney; Jamie & Lindsey Loss.

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

*For: Mo. Lou, our Priest-in-Charge, and Rev. John, our Deacon*

*For: Our Vestry & Staff*

**Christmas Gifts for our Homebound:** We have purchased '2022 Walking in Grace' (formerly Daily Guidepost) books in large-print for our homebound parishioners. Please consider a donation of any amount to provide this *annual gift of love* from their Epiphany family. Place donation in Sunday offering plate, drop at office, mail to PO Box 189, Clarks Summit Pa 18411.

**Advent Lessons and Carols:** Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM EST at St. Stephen's Episcopal Pro-cathedral. The St. Stephen's Choir, led by guest conductor Dr. Rick Hoffenberg and Canon Mark Laubach, will sing the much-loved annual Service of Advent Lessons and Carols. In addition to organ music and traditional carols sung by all, the St. Stephen's Choir will sing choral works by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, David Willcocks, Otto Goldschmidt, Gerald Near, John Rutter, and John Tavener. Masks are required for all who attend. Hosted by Music from St. Stephen's. 35 S Franklin St, Wilkes-Barre (570) 825-6653. View even info <https://fb.me/e/4IPStzwp>

**Family to Family Christmas Food Giveaway:** Wed, Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am-4.30pm drive-thru. Armed Forces Reserve Center, 3401 Olyphant Ave, Scranton Pa 18510. Volunteers are needed Dec 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>; contact Ann 570-340-6086, Cell: 570-892-8038 call or text, [development@fotp-ihm.org](mailto:development@fotp-ihm.org)

**2021 Parish Reports DUE:** If your committee or group has a report to offer the Parish during its Annual Meeting Jan. 30, 2022, please submit for printing to the office @ [cote@epix.net](mailto:cote@epix.net)

**HOLY LAND ADVENT CALENDAR:** This Advent learn about the lives of Holy Land Christians and the ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. We invite you to open a new door each day for a daily dose of inspiration and hope. Like the shepherds tending their flocks, fear not. The calendar might take a moment to appear. <https://afedj.org/resources/advent/>

From the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, 25 Old King's Hwy No., Suite 13 Darien, CT 06820. 1 (203) 655-3575 [information@afedj.org](mailto:information@afedj.org)

**Diocese of Bethlehem, For Our Common Life:** A virtual formation series (part#2 **Thursday, January 13, 7:00-8:45pm**) focused on issues of racial reconciliation and the calling of the Church and our diocese to strive for justice and peace among all people. This series was born of the work and study of the diocesan Racial Justice and Reconciliation Task Force and diocesan staff. We have worked together to create a series of guided interviews with authors and speakers from across the Church that will prompt group discussions and, hopefully, ministry in our congregations and action in our communities. Any questions, email [office@diobeth.org](mailto:office@diobeth.org) Introduction: <https://diobeth.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/FOCL-INTRO-GLOSSARY-draft-2.pdf>

Register at [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMsde-rqZlJGtS2swtkxaygEIa1\\_wO\\_8S4L](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMsde-rqZlJGtS2swtkxaygEIa1_wO_8S4L) ,

**Upcoming Opportunities!** Parish Office Closed Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> – NO Qigong 12/23, 12/30  
 Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 6pm – Advent Lessons and Carols from St. Stephen’s Episcopal, Wilkes-Barre  
 Dec 16<sup>th</sup> 6-7pm – Qigong Group, Commons Room \$10/session – NO Choir Rehearsal  
**Dec 18<sup>th</sup> 10 am – Pageant Rehearsal, Parish Hall - 11am – Vestry Meeting, Commons Room**  
 Dec 19<sup>th</sup> – Youth Christmas Pageant @ Epiphany – Immediately following the 11am church service  
 7 pm – Organ Concert, Clarks Green United Methodist Church, 119 Glenburn Rd. – Free!  
 Dec 20<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm – Drum Circle w/ Al Cabral, Parish Hall - \$10/person, \$15/couple  
 Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am-4pm – Christmas Food Basket Pgm, Armed Forces Rsrv Ctr, 3401 Olyphant Ave, Scr.  
**To donate to Friends of the Poor: text ‘friends’ to 570-525-5956**  
 Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> 6pm – Caroling with Epiphany Choir – Contact 570-499-1943 if you want to participate  
 Dec 24<sup>th</sup> – 5pm Christmas Eve Service at Epiphany  
 Dec 26<sup>th</sup> – 10AM Lessons & Carols for Christmas at Epiphany with St. Peter’s Parish –  
 NO 8am service at Epiphany – NO 9.15am service at St. Peter’s  
 Dec 28<sup>th</sup> 8.30am – Check Request Fulfillment, Epiphany Office  
 January 6, 2022 – EPIPHANY!  
 Jan 8<sup>th</sup> 11.30am-1pm – Monthly Food Giveaway, Benton Twp Community Bldg, Fleetville Corners  
 \*Volunteers needed 8.30-noon, 11.00am-2pm <https://www.facebook.com/NLCFoodSharing/>  
 Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 12.45-5pm – Spinners Web, Parish Hall  
 Jan 12<sup>th</sup> 3-4.30pm – The Episcopal Church’s Truth-telling Ministries #3: Taking the First Steps –  
 To register & for more information contact [josh@jsallc.com](mailto:josh@jsallc.com)  
 Jan 13<sup>th</sup> 7-8.45pm – For Our Common Life – Virtual Formation series #2 with Diocese of Bethlehem  
 Jan 13<sup>th</sup> Welsh Cookies available for Pick-up at Waverly UMC, 105 Church St, \$5/dozen 586-8166  
 Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> – 3pm Holy Hootenanny @ St. Benedict’s Church – Area choirs welcome!  
 Jan 30<sup>th</sup> – Epiphany Annual Parish Meeting & 2021 Presentation of Reports

**2021 Inventory of Racial Justice and Truth-telling Ministries:** For the second year, The Episcopal Church has gathered data from more than 70 dioceses—as well as more than 140 congregations and institutions—detailing regional and local ministries of racial justice, reconciliation and healing. This year’s inventory includes an emphasis on ministries of truth-telling about our churches and race. **Session #3: Taking the First Steps** Wednesday, Jan. 12, 3 - 4:30 p.m. Eastern. Inspiring leaders share best practices and ideas for truth-telling, reckoning and healing work, to help other Episcopal groups jump-start or enhance their efforts. Learn more Racial Reconciliation Ministries <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/racial-reconciliation/>

**ChurchNext Offering:** *Praying with Visual Art with Roger Hutchinson.* Visual art enriches life. We go to museums, purchase and create art, fill halls and homes with it. But how often do we use visual art as a prayer tool? Roger paints regularly with his hands as a prayer practice. He also takes time in his prayer life to engage with paintings by other artists, including Pine Trees at Sunset by Vincent Van Gough, which he discusses. Focusing on quiet time with God, conversation with God and exploring the imagination, Roger takes us on a tour of key pieces that have influenced him and deepened his spiritual journey and invites us to find our own journey. \$10 per course Register here: <https://www.churchnext.tv/library/praying-with-visual-art-with-roger-hutchison-169789/367616/about/>

**Episcopal Migration Ministries resettles its 100,000th refugee:** Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM)—one of nine national agencies responsible for resettling refugees and Special Immigrant Visa holders in partnership with the U.S. government—is pleased to announce the welcome and resettlement of 100,000 individuals since EMM was formally established in the 1980s.

For more information: [www.episcopalmigrationministries.org](http://www.episcopalmigrationministries.org) or 1-800-334-7626