

THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY, MARCH 21-27, 2010

SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2010

CHURCH SCHOOL – Today

Church School is in session today. Your child is welcome anytime. Contact Austin. austin@churchoftheepiphany.org (650) 591-0328 x107

EPISCOPAL 101 – Sunday, March 21 at 9 am, Lounge

What does a 3-legged stool have to do with our faith? How does the Episcopal Church connect with the Anglican Communion? How is Epiphany happily bucking an important trend in the Episcopal Church? Bring your questions to our “Episcopal 101” gathering between services.

SEEKERS – Tonight

Topic: Lenten Movie Series II

Jr. Seekers: 4:30 pm

Dinner: 6:00 pm

Sr. Seekers: 6:30 pm

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CONFIRMED?

Are you an adult who has never been confirmed? Have you come to the Episcopal Church from another Christian faith tradition? Would you like to be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church? Would you like to personally reaffirm your baptismal vows? These can be moments of great grace.

Bishop Marc is coming to Epiphany on Sunday, April 18 and would love to celebrate these with you. Please let Melanie know as soon as possible so that we can spend time in preparation and forward your name to the bishop.

HUMAN RIGHTS LETTER SIGNING – Today

Please stop by the table at coffee hour.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PALM SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion. Please gather outside of church on the patio for the beginning of our service. You are welcome, of course, to go inside the church if that is more comfortable for you.

ALL PARISH PHOTO – Next Sunday, Palm Sunday

Please join us after the 8 and 10 am services next Sunday so that we can take a photo of the entire parish.

LENTEN EVENSONG – Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 pm

Join us for an hour of quiet prayer and song. Our Journeys young-adult group has put together this evening prayer liturgy.

iCONFIRM SERVICE – April 10, 7 pm

Join our ten teens and Bishop Marc for the culmination of a half year’s work at this celebratory and meaningful service. Confirmations will follow on Saturday at Grace Cathedral



TRIVIA QUESTION Why do we do the Stations of the Cross? Answer is on the back page.

Holy Week Calendar

		Services
March 28	Palm/Passion Sunday	8 am and 10 am
April 1	Maundy Thursday	7:30 pm
April 2	Good Friday	Noon and 7:30 pm
April 3	Easter Vigil	4 pm and 8 pm
April 4	Easter	10 am

CONFIRMATION AT GRACE CATHEDRAL – Sat., April 11, 11 am

Please join our teens for the sacramental conclusion to this year’s confirmation program.

VISIT FROM BISHOP MARC – April 18

On Sunday, April 18, Bishop Marc will make his parish visitation, joining us both for worship and a special coffee hour. During the service, the bishop will happily “Receive” individuals into the Episcopal Church from other denominations and pray with those who wish to “Reaffirm their Baptismal Vows.” Please let Melanie know if you are interested so that we can spend time in preparation.

SPRING GARDEN PARTY – Saturday, May 1, 2-4 pm

The Spring Garden Party will be hosted by the Altar Guild in Henry’s Garden (at Melanie and Henry’s home). Enjoy a savory buffet luncheon and garden presentations by local experts and frequent guests from *Henry’s Garden* TV show. Invite your friends and extended family to this memorable occasion. Make your reservation during coffee hour today or next Sunday March 28. Suggested donation of \$20 per person. Proceeds to benefit Church of the Epiphany Altar Guild.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP – August 2-6, 9 am-Noon

Children ages 3 ½ through 10 are invited to sign up for our first green Vacation Bible Camp, *Renew*. Join us as we learn about creation through the Parable of the Sower, and find out how each of us can be empowered to change the world. Contact Austin. austin@churchoftheepiphany.org (650) 591-0328 x107

NOTES OF INTEREST

HILLTOP REFLECTION POSTER

Last Sunday night at Hilltop the homily was an artistic group reflection on the Garden of Gethsemane. The reflection poster is hanging on the South wall of the Sanctuary for those who would like to reflect on the reflections given. (The pink artwork in the bottom left corner is Kate Bierwagen’s first ever representational artwork.)

NEWCOMERS

Please let us know if you would like to meet with the clergy or be added to our email lists so you can hear about our upcoming Parish Events and Holy Week services. We are also happy to create a nametag for you. Please place a yellow response card (found in the pew racks) in the collection plate or hand it to an usher or r contact the parish office.

Please wear your nametag at services and events.



OUR LENTEN PROJECT TOGETHER

Our 2nd Harvest food barrel was overflowing after last Sunday! Thanks to all of you who have been bringing food on Sunday mornings so that we can help feed the hungry. Please help us re-fill the barrel again this coming Sunday. Just imagine the image if each of us came to church carrying food to share with others. God is surely smiling because of your generosity.

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the 40 weekdays and five Sundays of Lent provide an introspective period in which to intentionally deepen our relationship with God. All Christians are invited "to the observation of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word." (Book of Common Prayer, page 265)

WILL YOU WATCH WITH ME FOR ONE HOUR?

In response to your requests, we will bring back the all-night Vigil in the Chapel between the end of our Maundy Thursday service and Good Friday morning. Sign up alone or with a friend or family member for this deeply moving spiritual experience as we "keep watch" with Jesus. A sign-up board is in the back of the church.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

The Easter Triduum begins solemnly at sunset on Maundy Thursday and ends with great joy at Easter. This one liturgy, spread over three days, celebrates the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. We encourage you to plan ahead now so that you will be able to join us for these Holy Days. Through participation in these seamless celebrations we will all be drawn into the paschal mystery by which we are brought to new life.

April 1, 7 pm	Maundy Thursday Hand/Foot Washing & Eucharist
April 1, 8 pm through April 2, 10 am	Keeping Vigil with Jesus in the Chapel
April 2, 12 Noon, 7 pm	Good Friday Stations of the Cross & Reflections
April 3, 4 pm* and 8 pm	The Great Easter Vigil
April 4, 10 am	Easter Sunday Festive Eucharist

*We have designed a new 4 pm Easter Vigil Service specifically for families with young children. Gathering outside around the fire, the children will watch as the Alleluia (which they helped bury on the 1st Sunday of Lent) is raised out of the ground. Then singing Alleluias, the children will lead us in a parade into church where they will hear a Godly Play Story and join in Communion. Families will want to come both to this service and then return again on Easter Sunday morning!

EASTER SUNDAY

We will all celebrate Easter Sunday together at 10 am on April 4. Don't forget to bring flowers on Easter Sunday morning – the children will help decorate the Cross.

SERMON COPIES

Each Sunday's homily is available as a podcast on the parish Web site. Printed copies are also available in the narthex.

CALENDAR

Sunday	March 21
8 am	Holy Eucharist
9am	Episcopal 101
10 am	Holy Eucharist and Music
11:30 am	Easter Ingathering
4 pm	Beacon Group
4:30 pm	Jr. Seekers (dinner at 6:30 pm)
6:30 pm	Sr. Seekers (dinner followed by meeting)
Monday	March 22
3:30 pm	Bayview Villa Prayer Service
7 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous—Parish Hall
Tuesday	March 23
7:30 am	Men's Group—The Broiler Express
7 pm	Beacon Group
Wednesday	March 24
10 am	Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayer
6:30 pm	Indian Dance—Parish Hall
7:30 pm	Lenten Evensong—Sanctuary
Thursday	March 25
4 pm	Joyful Noise—Room 103
4:25 pm	Good News—Parish Hall
6 pm	Beacon Group
7 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous—Parish Hall
7 pm	Chancel Choir—Sanctuary
Friday	March 26
6 pm	Brownies—Parish Hall
Saturday	March 27
7:30 am—5 pm	Kairos
9 am	Altar Guild Preparations
Sunday	March 28
8 am	Holy Eucharist
9am	Episcopal 101
10 am	Holy Eucharist and Music
11:30 am	Easter Ingathering
4 pm	Beacon Group



Please silence your cell phone during services.

FUN ACTIVITIES FOR GRADES 3-5 – Next Sunday, March 28

Join us at Burton Park for this once a month activity. Have fun and help build a stronger youth community. Many more activities are planned. Contact Marie-Jeanne Juilland mj.juilland@gmail.com or Ronica Smucker rss2rss2@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Mar 21	Episcopal 101
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Mar 24	Lenten Evensong
Mar 28	Palm Sunday
Apr 1	Maundy Thursday
Apr 3	Easter Vigil
Apr 4	Easter
Apr 9	I Confirm (pre-Confirmation service)
Apr 10	Confirmation at Grace Cathedral
Apr 18	Bishop Marc Visit
Apr 25	Earth Day Celebration
May 1	Altar Guild Tea
May 23	Pentecost

3 THINGS YOU CAN DO THIS WEEK

- Listen for God's voice at Evensong on Wednesday.
- Promise yourself the gift of attending the Holy Week liturgies this year.
- Invite a neighbor or friend to the Easter service.

SUNDAY DRIVER SOUGHT

One of our new parishioners is unable to drive to church on Sunday mornings and the family would like to hire a driver to get her to and from church safely. Please contact Melanie if you would like to help.

WOMEN'S RETREAT – November 19-21, 2010

At the Villa Maria del Mar, Santa Cruz. Contact Lisa Thompson. lisathompson1@aol.com (650) 593-3295

TRIVIA ANSWER

The Stations of the Cross (fourteen scenes or moments in the story of Jesus’ crucifixion) helps us make a spiritual pilgrimage of prayer through meditating upon the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death.

Epiphany Committee Chairs and Vestry Liaisons for 2010	Committee	Chair(s)	Vestry Liaison
Wondering how to get involved in a new ministry? Wondering who to share our great suggestions with about sharing Christ’s Light in our community? Contact our Committee Chairs or the Vestry Liaison and they’ll be happy to chat.	Building and Grounds	Nancy and Greg Wilson	Kristen Pezone Kapp
	Worship	John Chapman	Claudia Nadalin
	Altar Guild	Sue Marquis and Claire Dikas	Stephanie Meyer
	Children’s Ministry	Heather Hansen or Austin	Art Okamoto
	Youth Ministry	Austin	Nick Dikas
	Adult Faith Formation	Melanie	Nick Dikas
	Journeys Young Adults	Nick Dikas	Jackie McCormack
	Newcomers	YOU?	Starmie Taylor
	Hospitality	Laura Bierwagen	Steve Blake
	Stewardship	Heather Hansen and Ronica Smucker	Judy Brown
	Pastoral Care	Hailey	Lora O’Haver
	Communications	Dan Smucker	Colleen Smith
Outreach Commission	Randy Rae		

Today’s Liturgical Ministers	<i>Presider</i> <i>Preacher</i> <i>Deacon</i> <i>Acolytes</i> <i>Acolyte Parent</i> <i>Altar Guild</i> <i>Lay Readers</i> <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i> <i>Eucharistic Visitors</i> <i>Ushers</i> <i>Greeter</i> <i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	The Rev. Austin Leininger The Rev. Melanie Donahoe The Rev. Hailey McKeefry Delmas Savannah Rae, Aidan Stevens, Alex Bierwagen Laura Bierwagen Barbara Haas, Diane Roberts (8 am) Betsy Althaus; (10 am) Eva Gaumont, Philip Sankar Pat Pimsner, Mary Wagner, HD Stevens Betsy Althaus, Chris Willard , Bob French (8 am) Chris Willard (10 am) John Billman, Jack Marquis Alice Henderson Estela Roldan, Elizabeth Landsverk	
Children's Ministers	<i>Godly Play PreK/K</i> <i>Godly Play 1st/2nd</i> <i>Godly Play 3/4/5</i> <i>Middle School</i> <i>Nursery Care Giver</i> <i>Nursery Teen</i>	<i>The Faces of Easter 4-7</i> —Sue Sunde, Robin Price-Estrada <i>The Faces of Easter 4-7</i> —Mary Manders, Tassie Jenkins <i>The Faces of Easter 1-7</i> —Heather Hansen, Denise Stange <i>The Faces of Easter 4-5</i> —Craig DeBrine Shannon Fallis Olivia Devoto	
Epiphany Staff	<i>Rector</i> <i>Associate Priest</i> <i>Deacon</i> <i>Minister of Music</i> <i>Organist</i> <i>Lay Staff</i> <i>Parish Administrator</i> <i>Parish Treasurer</i> <i>Sextons</i>	The Rev. Melanie Donahoe The Rev. Austin Leininger The Rev. Hailey McKeefry Delmas Cort Bender Sean Fullerton Bob French Cliff West George Farber Rodolfo and Rosa Colindres	melanie@churchoftheepiphany.org austin@churchoftheepiphany.org hailey@cyberdeacon.com csbconsult@comcast.net seanfullerton@comcast.net bc2905@gmail.com cliff@churchoftheepiphany.org cybercpa@care2.com rudycolin@sbcglobal.net
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Monday through Thursday 9 am - 5 pm
Friday 9 am - 12 noon