HARDEN NOT YOUR HEARTS.

Psalm 95

Come to Mass

Protocol for Masses on Saturday 4:30 p.m. & Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.

We can allow 250 people in church. Glass doors will close when we are at capacity. OR Live streamed into the cafeteria for all Masses. OR now in the gym too, OR in the parking lot from your car, turn your radio to FM 100.7 or 106.5.

If you are attending Mass in church:
- Hand sanitizer will be available.
- Please pick up a bulletin as your worship aid. We will NOT be using hymnals.
- Face masks worn per Governor Walz (unless medical conditions, etc.)
- Seating in the church will be in every other pew up to 250 people. Seating in the cafeteria, and now in the gym (we need more room) or parking lot in your car.

Communion: WE ARE IN NEED OF EMS. CHECK THE CROSS BOARD!
- Communion will be distributed at the proper time during Mass and distributed in your pew. You may leave after the priest exits the church.
- For those attending Mass in the parking lot, EM’s will come outside to distribute communion. Communicants should exit their cars after the communion prayer and approach the main entrance of the church where the EM’s will be stationed.
- For those seated in the cafeteria and gym, an EM will come to you and walk between the chairs.

Sunday Collection:
- Usher will collect the normal way in the church and cafeteria. Ushers will walk around the cars in the parking lot to receive your contribution. Or please drop your contribution envelope in the basket near the EM before you receive communion.
Prayerfully consider continuing your
Sunday Contributions
Online www.Epiphanymn.org
Parish office mail slot
Box next to Sacristy door
or Mail to Epiphany

Cleaning the Pews

REMINDER, we need help cleaning pews and
chairs after all the Masses in the church, cafeteria
and now the gym. If you used the sign up sheet
that was provided last weekend, thank you. If you
are available to help out certain weekends, but
not all, great, sign up. If you’re the driver and the
family is waiting for you, sign them up too. It won’t
take long with many hands helping. Contact Liz
Grefshelm to help lgrefshelm@epiphanymn.org

Rosary at the Fatima Shrine

Please join other parishioners at the Fatima Shrine, on
Saturday, September 12 after the 8 a.m. Mass to pray the

Based on historical events, three young shepherds
in Fátima, Portugal, report visions of the Virgin Mary,
inspiring believers and angering officials of the
Church and the government, who try to force them
to recant their story.

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www.catholictthing.org

Labor Day
Monday, September 7
8:15–8:50 a.m. Confession
9 a.m. Mass
Parish Office Closed
Catholics have a duty to bring their faith and it’s worldview into the voting booth. As good citizens, that’s what we do. We don’t say, “I’m personally opposed to (you name it), but publicly I support it.” Something that is evil may never be supported.

Below is a question asked of Bp. Cozzens together with his reply. I think you will find it very informative.

The writer asked: “I have read that Catholics may vote for a pro-choice candidate if the pro-life candidate is the worse choice for the common good... [Is this true?]”

Bp. Cozzens replied, In response to your question below. I believe the pertinent Church teaching comes from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

In 2004, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (with then Cardinal Ratzinger as its head) said this about voting for political candidates:

‘A Catholic would be guilty of formal cooperation in evil, and so unworthy to present himself for Holy Communion, if he were to deliberately vote for a candidate precisely because of the candidate’s permissive stand on abortion and/or euthanasia. When a Catholic does not share a candidate’s stand in favour of abortion and/or euthanasia, but votes for that candidate for other reasons, it is considered remote material cooperation, which can be permitted in the presence of proportionate reason.’

It seems to me that if there were two pro-choice candidates one could vote for the one who was less evil. IF one were to vote for a pro-choice candidate over a pro-life one it would have to be because the pro-life candidate was so evil it would be proportionate, that is you are doing a greater good in other moral areas. Some have made this argument about President Trump and immigration, as immigrants have a right to life too. But I don’t think that holds water when you consider the 1 million abortions each year. This is why the US Bishops called abortion the pre-eminent issue.

I hope that answers your question.

In Christ,
+Andrew Cozzens

Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis
GATHERING HYMN  Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

GREETING

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
R: Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
R: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Celebrant: Brethren, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

R: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
Then they continue:
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. +

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING  EZ 33:7-9

Thus says the LORD: You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, “O wicked one, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

Lector: The Word of the Lord
R: Thanks Be To God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  PS 95:1-2, 6-9

R: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING  ROM 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,” and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

Lector: The Word of the Lord
R: Thanks Be To God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

GOSPEL  MT 18:15-20

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
R: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
R: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that ‘every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

All bow while saying:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

The Church of the Epiphany is dependent upon the financial support of our friends, families and welcomed guests. Please look at the front of the bulletin and website for ways to donate. We thank you for your generosity.

Second collection will be for the Epiphany Parish Operations.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether

Invitation to Prayer

R: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

R: Amen.

Communion Hymn: Gift of Finest Wheat

What Wondrous Love Is This

Sending Hymn: Father, We Thank Thee

Please take your bulletins, bibles, purses, Kleenex, toys, clothes and Cheerios when you leave your pew.

Thank you.
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adult men and women are initiated and welcomed into the Catholic faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation. This process includes instruction, Scripture reflection, faith sharing, prayer, Liturgical Rites and community building times. Participants meet on Wednesday evenings starting Wednesday, September 23 and conclude with celebration at the Easter Vigil, April 3, 2021. For more information contact Father Baker pbaker@epiphanymn.org

All Volunteers—Who needs the Essential 3?
I’m glad you asked. Volunteers at the School, Faith Formation, Sacrists, head Ushers, adult Altar Servers, Family Table, any area that involve minors. It takes awhile to process a background report so don’t start the day before you are scheduled to volunteer. Use Google Chrome browser and allow pop-ups for this website. Go to www.virtusonline.org. If you are new, create an account and leave yourself about 95 minutes to complete. If you’ve done this a few times before, go check out your current account to verify if you need updates. Essential 3 must be updated every 3 years and you can’t volunteer if you are not up-to-date. Contact Jean Mackey jmackey@epiphanymn.org if you need assistance.

Need a sub? Call or text Judy Schletcher at 763-276-5086

For more information contact Laura Carr at 651.338.0175 or lcarr@epiphanymn.org

Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 6
9:00 Robert Riley, †
11:00 Eva Gideo, †

Monday, September 7
1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
9:00 Edward C. Breitbach, †

Tuesday, September 8
Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 Deacon Joseph Kenney, †
6:00 Daniel Heins, †

Wednesday, September 9
1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26
8:00 Michael Rekow, †

Thursday, September 10
1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38
8:00 Anna Sophia Bednarski Wills, †

Friday, September 11
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
8:00 Michael Leonard, †

Saturday, September 12
1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
The Most Holy Name of Mary
8:00 Bev Knoll, †
4:30 Albert, Irene, Lambert Kuznia and Family

Sign-Up Now!
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Tuesday CGS is FULL
Kick-off Celebration September 16

Funerals
Jeannette Heimer
Ann Hammes
Henry Wander
Ralph Edward Manning
Clarence Bonander

Confessions
Mon-Sat: 7:15-7:50 a.m.
Tue: 5:30-5:50 p.m.
Sat: 3—4:15 p.m.
Sun: No Confessions

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