

On the Calendar and Coming up

Sunday, March 4th

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM—Adult Forum
10:15 AM—Sunday School
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist
11:45 AM—Shrine Mont meeting to discuss B.P. luncheon
12:30—2:30 PM—BARK WALK—the middle school Activity

Monday, March 5th

11:00 AM— Book Club
7:00 PM—JRRingers

Wednesday, March 7th

12:00 noon —Holy Eucharist with healing Prayers

Lenten Program here

5:45 PM—Light Supper
6:30 PM—Lenten program
7:15PM—Compline
7:30 PM—Handbell Rehearsal

Thursday, March 8th

9:30—AM—Lamb’s Basket Volunteers (Clients)
7:00 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 9th

8:00—PM—Sr. High youth going bowling at Shrader Lanes

Saturday, March 10th

1:00 PM — Scottish Dancers in the parish hall

Set your clock ahead 1 hour before going to bed.

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Adult Forum: We begin our Lenten series today entitled "*Living Lent with Mary*". Although we are most used to hearing about Mary, the mother of God, during Advent and Christmas, she is as powerful presence at the end of Jesus’ life as she is at the beginning. Each session will have a reflection on how Mary teaches us to be disciples, as well as questions for discussion. We will meet each Sunday at 9:30 AM in the parlor.

We are planning baptisms for Easter. If you are ready to take this next step in your faith journey or if you would like your infant or child to be baptized at that time, please let Mary+ know.

Men’s Bible Study: Tuesday, March 13th and March 27th @ noon. Bring a bag lunch and your Bible.

Resources in the Narthex: Did you know you can find copies of sermons, copies of the newsletter and sign-up sheets of various sorts in the entry hallway to the church? Please pick them up and pass them along to a friend or neighbor who might enjoy them. There is currently a sign up sheet if you do not have a name tag—please add your name to the list if your name tag has gone missing or if you have never had one. It’s a help for those of us who have senior moments and forget names sometimes (including your priest!).

We need you to sign up for Coffee Hour. All you need to bring is some cookies and make the coffee and Kool-aid. We all enjoy this time of fellowship but it does take all of us to help with this ministry! It’s not up to the hostess to provide this service every Sunday!

Attendance, February 26, 2012
8:15 am: 17 10:30 am: 85

The prayers & sympathy of the congregation are extended to the family and friends of **Elizabeth Davis** who died on Monday, February 27th. A graveside service was held on Thursday at Forest Lawn Cemetery. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Shrine Mont Yard Sale—Doing some Spring Cleaning? Need to get rid of some slightly used, unbroken stuff? Well, the Shrine Mont Committee Yard Sale will be in the Spring this year—**Saturday, April 28th** from 8:00 AM to Noon. Please bring your items to the parish hall and make sure it is marked for the yard sale. Let one of the committee members know if you need a large item picked up. Children’s clothes are acceptable.

You’re Invited: to a 50th Wedding Anniversary party in honor of **Herb and Anita Williams!** It will be on March 17th 3-6 PM at the Hermitage Country Club. *Please let your presence be their present!* Attire: Business casual.

Save the Date: Once again, we’ll be forming a group to go to the Flying Squirrels ballgame on Faith and Family night—**Saturday, June 2.** This year, we will go for slightly more expensive tickets (\$10.00 each as opposed to \$5.00 last year) so we don’t have to climb up to the highest reaches of the stadium to get to our seats. We had 70+ people last year—let’s see if we can bring even more folks, not just our own parishioners, but friends and extended family. It should be, well, nutzy!

Want to go to brunch in March? Sunday, March 25th after the 10:30 AM service, the ‘Brunch Group’ will be going to **Nick’s Roman Terrace,** @ the Westland Shopping Center, for lunch. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick,** 264-0935 or call **Lucy** in the office, 266-2503.

Suffragan Bishop to be Elected: the Nominating Committee announced a slate of six nominees for bishop suffragan in their Final Report, available on the diocesan Website. Nominees will participate in a series of walkabouts around the Diocese March 19-23, when all members of the diocese will have a chance to learn more about each of them. We will have one at St. James, March 23 from 7–9:30 pm. Questions will not be received from the floor during these walkabouts. Carpooling is recommended.

CARITAS returns to Epiphany! Once again, Epiphany will host a Caritas group in conjunction with the folks from Emmanuel Brook Hill. We will have our guests with us from Saturday evening May 12, through Saturday morning May 19. To make things move a bit smoother, Epiphany will be responsible for everything for the first 4 days and Emmanuel will take over for the final 3 days. There will be many opportunities to serve and we will have a sign up sheet early in April. Call **Paul Jones** 346-0492 with any questions.

COMMUNICATION CARD

March 4, 2012

Our Communication Card is for **all people at The Church of the Epiphany** so that you can share your thoughts and prayers, and request information.

If you are new, please complete the opposite side so we also have your contact information.

I’d like more information about an upcoming event or program

I am RSVPing or signing up for:

I am interested in learning more about how to be part of the following ministries or programs:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Guild | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office help | <input type="checkbox"/> Readers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Ed | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Ushers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalice Bearer | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Prayer Requests / Comments

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Welcome! You have blessed us with your presence. Please tell us how we can best serve you by completing the Communication Card.

Please place in the offering basket, hand it to an usher, or place on the table in the vestibule.

- I'm looking for a church home
- I'd like to speak with a clergy member
- I'm ready to become a member
- I'm just visiting today

Name & Address Please update

Phone

Email

Children's names and ages

Please give me more information about:

- Children's / Youth Programs
- Social events
- Outreach opportunities
- Classes and Small Group Studies
- Baptism or Confirmation
- How I can get involved

How did you hear about Epiphany?

(over)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the church: We pray for the church of the Epiphany the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, the Episcopal Church (USA), and the Anglican Communion, for all clergy and laypeople, and those whom we will welcome today.



In The Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Diocese of El Salvador

In The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: St. Peter's, Purcellville; St. Dunstan's, McLean; Good Shepherd, Bluemont; Holy Cross, Dunn Loring.

In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For persons living with HIV/AIDS and for their families, friends, and communities; for persons working to find a cure; for persons helping to develop new treatment options, and for persons who provide the finances to support HIV/AIDS research, education, and prevention efforts.

In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Christ Lutheran, Rev. Eric Moehring & Rev. Kristin Hunsinger, Pastors.

Prayers for those expecting a child: Matt & Leslie Guyer

Prayers for our Service Men and Women: Matt Guyer, David Hoffert, Daniel Keefe, Patrick Lineberry, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Michael Stone, Billy Tucker, Andrew Smith, Ryan Casey, and Chris Tuck.

Prayers for Healing, Wholeness, Comfort, Guidance, and Safe Travel: Carol Burley, Dave Van Valkenburg, Carl Burley, Ray Hampton, Jean Craver, Peggy Adleman, Sarah Jenkins, Dottie Strabley, Marian Noe, Sue Rasmussen, Lynne Eppes, Bea Byrd, Roseanne Stockwell, Ruth Williams, Juliet Wynne, Kathryn Cook—friend of Connie Neal, John Renner — friend of Dot Hudson & Carol York, Katie Phillips—friend of Kristin Carver, Gloria Jones—mother of Kim White, Rebecca Miller—friend of Marietta Spring, Leah & Terri—friends of Aggie Gallagher, Dorothy Hoffercker—*aunt of Diana Stone*, Donna Dumas—friend of Sarah Jenkins, the extended Kenyi family in Sudan, Jay—husband of Jill Mitchell, Rona Fisher—friend of Jessica Ruder, Lisa Binmoeller—friend of Diane Major, Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, Heather—friend of Melissa Durrer, Stuart & Jean Swink—sister & brother-in-law of Irene Morris, Jeniffer Sodill—friend of Karen Holden, Ethel Eule—friend of Ann Poates, Kent Jenkins—brother of Sarah Jenkins, Maya Fitts—granddaughter of Ron & Paula Fitts, Aubrey Phillips—friend of Bob & Kathy Jimerson, The Rev. Charles Poindexter.

Prayers for the departed: Elizabeth Davis

We pray for all these and those who have asked for prayers in confidence.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Today's Ministers

Weekly Worship

Sundays at 8:15 a.m. (meditative service)

& 10:30 a.m. (with choir)

Wednesday at noon: Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers and Laying On of Hands

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8:15 Holy Eucharist

Usher: Herb Williams

Reader: Ann Schaefer

Chalicer: Ann Schaefer

10:30 Holy Eucharist

Ushers: Tillie Freeze, Lucy Whitlock, Frosine Corbett, Diane Durrer

Acolyte: Sarah Elionai, Hana Elionai, Alex White, Madison White

Readers: Sarah Fore, Jeri Townley

Prayer Leader: Jeri Townley

Chalicer: Sarah Fore, Ann Schaefer

Vestry Greeters: Kathy Jimerson, Christine Couturier

Altar Guild: Jean Riddick, Charlotte Lovelace

Nursery: Sandy Ruder, Patty White

Coffee Hour: Chapter 5

Counters—Wayne & Lucy Whitlock



The Church of the Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Second Sunday in Lent

March 4, 2012

Welcome—we are glad you are here! Know that whoever you are, and where ever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place here. If you are new, or haven't yet given us your contact information, please complete the attached communication card and place it in the plate so that you can learn more about Epiphany's community.

Nursery care is available from 10:15-11:45 a.m.

From Mary's Desk:

Last week I talked about how we get a gift in Lent, a specific time to reflect on our lives this past year and to see what we found helpful in our relationship with Christ, and what we found less helpful. I talked about simply stopping what you're doing - the endless "busy-ness" of one's life - and getting off the hamster wheel.

Okay,, now that you've stopped, now that you've stepped off that wheel, now what do you do?

Like the old IBM sign used to say: THINK! Think about what your normal day is like. Do you get up already worried about the day ahead? Do you get tired just reviewing the list of tasks on your to-do list? Or do you stop for a moment before the day really gets going to thank God for another day?

This practice of thankfulness can help frame that to-do list in an interesting way. What is really important? What is a waste of your time and energy? What feeds your soul or what drains that life out of you? Perhaps another gift of Lent is the opportunity to think about what God (and you) would like your life to be. Might that life include time to help someone else, or to pray, or to see God's beautiful creation around you? Perhaps that life might include a brief walk, or a time with the Bible or a devotional book. Perhaps it might mean pruning away some of the things that make you feel overwhelmed or overscheduled, or it might mean taking time to spend with the family doing something fun rather than that last project you brought home from work.

Stop and think: what would God like you to do or not do, to be the person God imagines is your best self? Think about what it would take to make that happen, and how that might feel.

Stop and think...it's a good Lenten practice, and a good practice anytime.

Blessings

Mary+