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Announcements

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HONORING DODI & ROBIN: On October 1st, following the 10 am service, we will gather to celebrate the music ministries of Dodi Kearns and Robin Smith. Let us all come together to express our love and appreciation for them and the many gifts they have offered to the Glory of God and to us during their time at Epiphany. Robin's last Sunday is October 8th and Dodi's is October 15th.

ANNUAL GIVING 2018: Our little community is being faced with challenging changes and stark realities that call upon us to do some deep reflection about our identity, our passions, our resources and gifts, our mission and purpose in the world. During the month of October, we will begin to pray, listen, explore, discern, commit and act in order to discover how God is calling us to serve together into the future. Your presence at Sunday services, at the Parish Forum on the 22nd and the Brunch on the 29th is very important. Opportunities for reflection will also occur in existing small groups and in other ways yet to be identified. In the ever-present hope and realization of new life in Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit we move forward faithfully.

OKTOBERFEST: At the home of Kathy & Jack Cobbs, 24 Acoma Lane, Collegeville - Saturday, October 7 at 5:30. Contact Helen Warner (610-901-3517) to reserve. What might you like to bring? Suggestions include: a veggie tray, perhaps with asparagus; sausage-stuffed mushroom caps; sauerbraten; roast pork; rye and/or pumpernickel bread and butter; German beer; German or other wine; soft drinks.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: The feast day of St. Francis of Assisi is coming up. On Sunday, October 8th at 12:30 pm animals (living or stuffed) are invited to receive a blessing in the courtyard of the church. Friends, neighbors...ALL ARE WELCOME!

RADA CUTLERY FUNDRAISER: Our Rada Cutlery sale will be running from September 17th thru October 8th, 2017. RADA cutlery is top quality item. Other items available are soy candles, cookbooks, quick mixes. If you are ordering stoneware, please give me your order as soon as possible, the stoneware will soon be discontinued. Please give all order forms to Betty Murphy by October 8th, 2017 or call 610-322-4521. Thank you for your support!

SCRIP TODAY. October dates will be the 8th and the 22nd. Please see Susan Garone if you have any questions or would like to help with the program.

FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED: St Augustine's in Norristown has been serving a breakfast every Sunday morning for the past 30 years. Everyone is welcome. For the past 5 years, the Church of the Epiphany has been part of this critical ministry. For 3 of those years we have been a sponsor, which means we not only cook and serve the breakfast, we also buy the food. On the second Sunday of the first month of the quarter we feed our neighbors in need. The other 2 Sundays we go and help a sponsor from St Augustine's. The money for this ministry has come from the parishioners of Epiphany. Periodically we ask everyone to save their loose change over the course of several weeks and then we collect it and use that to buy food. Over the past 3 years Epiphany has been responsible for feeding over 1200 people. Well, it's time to collect our coins again.

Now running until the last Sunday in October, we ask everyone to put aside their loose change and bring it in on Sunday October 29. Bill Wilson will have containers to hold your coins, bills or checks if you prefer not to save your coins. We pray that we continue our commitment to our brothers and sisters in need.

HELP NEEDED!!! Calling all Chili Makers! It's getting to be that time again, when we request your help in making Chili for the annual Chili Sale, to be held in October, with pick up on November 11th and 12th. As has been the case, we will sell mild and spicy chili with ground beef and beans, as well as turkey chili and chicken (white) chili, each with beans. If you are able to donate 5 quarts or a few more, please contact Betsy Dell asap. More info will be forthcoming! Thank you for your support.

PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS NEEDED: One of the women Marie Kearns works with is a Baptist minister. Her church is making mats for the homeless. 400 plastic bags are used to crochet each mat used as a plastic buffer between the person's "bedding" and the ground. (See the flyers posted in the undercroft.) The mats are large so T-shirts are being fashioned into bags by some of Marie's program participants. Each T-shirt bag stores and enables the homeless person to carry his/her mat. When distributed, each homeless person receives a t-shirt bag and mat, a bag lunch and an inspirational note from formerly homeless program residents.

Please recycle your plastic bags and bring them to undercroft to support this project. T-shirts for the carry bags are being made available for \$2.50 each should you wish to provide monetary support for purchase of the T-shirts. Any questions please see Marie.

LET'S READ THE WHOLE BIBLE TOGETHER THIS YEAR! This week's readings:

Sept 25 Day 267 – Lamentations 5, Psalm 69, II Peter 2
Sept 26 Day 268 – Ezekiel 1-2, Psalm 70, II Peter 3
Sept 27 Day 269 – Ezekiel 3-4, Psalm 71, I John 1
Sept 28 Day 270 – Ezekiel 5-6, Psalm 72, I John 2
Sept 29 Day 271 – Ezekiel 7-8, Psalm 73, I John 3
Sept 30 Day 272 – Ezekiel 9-10, Psalm 74, I John 4
Sunday 10/1 Day 273 – Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church

OR... go to www.epiphanystar.net and...

Scroll down to Bishop's Bible Challenge, click day or week of your choice, find the red link: click & read

SAVE THE DATES

10/1	11:15am	Celebration of Music Ministries of Dodi Kearns & Robin Smith
10/7	5:30pm	Oktoberfest at the home of Jack and Kathy Cobbs [Note: this date has been changed. It was originally scheduled for 10/14]
10/8	12:30pm	Blessing of the Animals in the Courtyard
10/15	11:15	Worship Committee Meeting in Beth's Office
10/22	11:15	Parish Forum
10/29	11:15	Vestry "Thanksgiving for Giving" Brunch

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

	10am
Eucharistic Minister:	William Hummer
Lectors:	Kathy & Jack Cobbs
Acolyte:	TBD
Greeter:	Vicki Cox
Usher:	Susan & Vincent Garone
Counters:	Bill & Marti Wilson
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
Godly Play Teacher	Marti Wilson
Godly Play Greeter	Betty Murphy

OUR PARISH LIFE AND WORK THIS WEEK

Monday	7:30pm	N.A. (Undercroft)
Tuesday	8:00pm	A.A. (Undercroft)
Wednesday	10:15am	Healing Eucharist & Short Bible Study (Undercroft)
	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
	7:00pm	Daisy Troop 7390 (Undercroft)
Thursday	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal (Undercroft)
Sunday 10/1	8:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite I (Spoken)
	10:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Music)
		Church School Children process from the church nave to Education Building at 10 and return at the Peace
	11:15am	Celebration Coffee Hour / Dodi and Robin

ASSISTING IN NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP (10/1)

	10am
Eucharistic Minister:	Paul Exley
Lectors:	Larry Way & Helen Warner
Acolyte:	Paul Exley
Greeter:	Bill Wilson
Usher:	Ben Millet & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Charles Dell and Volunteer
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WORSHIP SERVICES

MIDWEEK HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING LITANY

10:15AM WEDNESDAYS

SUNDAY

8AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I (SPOKEN)

10AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (MUSIC)

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