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# Announcements

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**CHRIS SCHMITT FUNERAL:** Sadly, our friend and parishioner, Chris Schmitt died suddenly last week. Chris's children have decided to hold his service at Epiphany as they are aware he found a spiritual home with us here at Epiphany during the last 3 years of his life. The service will be held Wednesday, October 11th at 11am. The family will be in the church and glad to receive visitors beginning at 10am. The interment will occur following the service at Church of the Messiah in North Wales. May Chris go from strength to strength in God's love and peace.

**ANNUAL GIVING 2018: Here we Are / Send Us:** 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. Throughout October, we are praying, listening, exploring, discerning in order to discover how God is calling us to commit to serve together into the future.

Your presence at Sunday services, at the Parish Forums TODAY and on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and at the Thanksgiving for Giving Brunch on the 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** The feast day of St. Francis of Assisi was on Wednesday, October 4th. At 3:00 pm TODAY animals (living or stuffed) are invited to receive a blessing in the courtyard of the church. Friends, neighbors...ALL ARE WELCOME!

**OCTOBER 28 (Sat. AM) PRAYER WORKSHOP:** The people of Church of the Holy Spirit in Harleysville are extending an invitation to us, Church of the Epiphany and to other churches in the deanery (and diocese) to attend this 8:30-Noon experiential prayer practice workshop. The labyrinth, walking meditation, Reiki, are among several other prayer practices for participants to try out. (BTW... your rector is anchoring the morning with an interactive presentation entitled, *Be Still: To Know and Be Known*)

**ALL SAINTS 2017:** The Feast of All Saints will be observed on Sunday, November 5th. As in recent years past, we will be praying for those who have died during the Prayers of the People at the 8 am service and within the context of the Eucharistic Prayer at the 10 am service. Names of loved ones to be read at these services can be printed (legibly, please) on one of two necrology sheets found either at the back of the church on the prayer desk or in the undercroft through October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**CHILI SALE:** Our seventh annual Chili Sale is now underway, and will end on October 29th. Our Epiphany cooks will be making mild beef chili, spicy beef chili, turkey chili, and white chicken chili. All will be made with beans. Chili will be sold in quart containers at the cost of \$8.00 per quart. We will also have available packs of corn muffins, which will sell at \$1.00 per pack of two. Order blanks are available in the church, or use the one included in your bulletin. Orders, along with payment, must be placed by October 29th. Please make checks payable to Church of the Epiphany. Pick up will be held November 11th from 11:00 until 12:00, in the undercroft, or November 12th following the 10 am church service. Please check on the order blank, which time you will pick up your chili and muffins! All proceeds from the sale will be given to the church. Thank you for your support!

**RADA CUTLERY FUNDRAISER:** TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER. Please give all orders to Betty Murphy or put in collection plate. All checks should be made out to Church of Epiphany and make sure to put RADA in the memo line. Thank You for your support with this fundraiser.

**SCRIP:** October dates will be TODAY 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.

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

Oct 9 Day 281 – Ezekiel 23-24, Psalm 80, Revelation 3  
Oct 10 Day 282 – Ezekiel 25-26, Psalm 81, Revelation 4  
Oct 11 Day 283 – Ezekiel 27-28, Psalm 82, Revelation 5  
Oct 12 Day 284 – Ezekiel 29-30, Psalm 83, Revelation 6  
Oct 13 Day 285 – Ezekiel 31-32, Psalm 84, Revelation 7  
Oct 14 Day 286 – Ezekiel 33-34, Psalm 85, Revelation 8  
Sunday 10/15 Day 287 – Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church

OR... go to [www.epiphanystar.net](http://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

<b>10/8</b> 11:15am	<b>Parish Forum</b>
<b>10/8</b> 3:00pm	Blessing of the Animals in the Courtyard
<b>10/11</b> 11:00am	Christopher Schmitt Funeral (10am... Family Receiving Condolences)
<b>10/15</b> 11:15	Worship Committee Meeting in Beth's Office
<b>10/22</b> 11:15	<b>Parish Forum</b> with The Rev. Cannon Kirk Berlenbach preaching at the 10 am service and in attendance at the Forum
<b>10/28</b> 8:30-Noon	Prayer Workshop at Church of the Holy Spirit, Harleysville
<b>10/29</b> 11:15	Vestry "Thanksgiving for Giving" Brunch
<b>12/5</b> TBA (am)	Advent Quiet Day at Christ Church, Pottstown

## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

	<b>10am</b>
Eucharistic Minister:	Marti Wilson
Lectors:	Karen Tosco & Julie Dattilo
Acolyte:	William Hummer
Greeter:	Betty Murphy
Usher:	Ben Millet & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Tom Bailey & Frank Borst
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
Godly Play Teacher	Liz Leary
Godly Play Greeter	

## OUR PARISH LIFE AND WORK THIS WEEK

Monday	7:15pm	Vestry Meeting (Office)
	7:30pm	N.A. (Undercroft)
Tuesday	8:00pm	A.A. (Undercroft)
Wednesday	11:00am	Christopher Schmitt Funeral (10am... Family Receiving Condolences)
	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
	7:00pm	Daisy Troop 7390 (Undercroft)
Thursday	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal (Undercroft)
Sunday 10/15	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
	11:15pm	Worship Committee Meeting in Beth's Office

**ASSISTING IN NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP (10/15)**

	<b>10am</b>
Eucharistic Minister:	Paul Atlee
Lectors:	Ben Millet & Tanya Millet
Acolyte:	Paul Exley
Greeter:	Mary Thompson
Usher:	Ben Millet & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Bill & Marti Wilson
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
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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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