



GOOD NEWS

FROM
EPIPHANY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Night in Italy

Epiphany's 4th Annual Italian Dinner, held on April 30th, was a delicious success! We enjoyed the fabulous food we have come to expect prepared by Mary Valentine (don't ask her for the recipes - they are family secrets). Co-chair Melissa Farr said that moving the event to our new church building allowed us to have the largest crowd ever with almost 80 tickets sold. Even the record rainfall didn't keep our brave and hungry attendees away. Father O'Brien had to admit that it was the best Italian food he had ever eaten...and he grew up in Boston! *(continued on page 2)*



Teaching Our Kids to Give

Way to go kids! Epiphany's Church School did an amazing job during their bottled water collection, which was a way for them to relate to "I thirst" from scripture. With the temperatures rising, there is a high demand for bottled water and thanks to our kids, 360 bottles were given to the Epicenter for those in need.



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The Italian Dinner is one of Epiphany's major fundraisers each year. Peter and Mary Valentine not only prepared the food (more Mary than Peter), but they also donated all their expenses. Susan Baker got the wine donated, the Matranges donated the Prosecco, and Melissa Farr covered the cost of the decorations. With little to no financial outlay, the entire ticket price went to Epiphany.

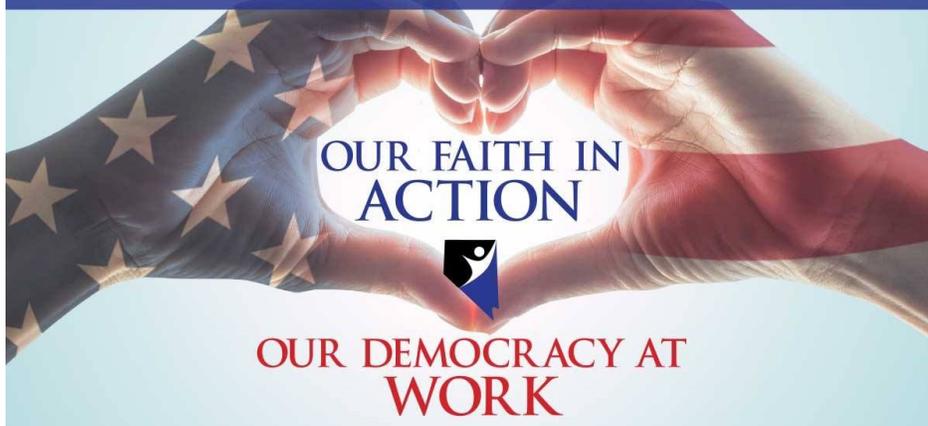


Epiphany's youth group, along with some help from the Valentines' grandkids and a few friends, served as the waiters, kitchen help, and dishwashers. The event could not be done without them and they worked hard to make sure everyone was well fed.



And what can we say about our volunteers? So many people helped with the cooking, the set-up, and the cleanup. As soon as the event ended, it was all hands on deck and our Nave was ready for Sunday services in less than an hour. Thanks to everyone who supported the event by purchasing a ticket and a special thanks to our wonderful volunteers.





Nevadans for the Common Good will be holding their annual convention on **Monday, May 9th at 6 pm** at Cashman Center. This year's convention topics include education, elder care and immigration. At the convention, each church is recognized and all the members of that church are asked to stand up. Please consider attending this worthwhile event and supporting Epiphany's involvement with this vital organization. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. See Betty-Jeanne for more information.



Celtic Christianity Series

When Epiphany's spiritual book club, The Pelagians, talked to Bishop Dan about a class on Celtic Christianity, we learned that we had a true expert on that very subject in Canon Catherine Gregg. During a three-part class, over thirty attendees, representing several parishes and some of our unaffiliated friends, enjoyed learning about the Celtic views of God, creation, and the part we play in this spiritual philosophy.

It was a time of reflection, music, poetry, fellowship, and sharing. We learned of the Celt's belief that God is present in every atom of creation and that the sacred can be found in all aspects of our daily routine, if we but look.

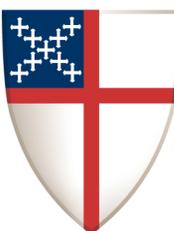
We were blessed with the marvelous "team-teaching" of Canon Catherine and her husband, Doug Gregg. They talked about the early history of the Celts and the beginning of the Celtic Church. We are hoping to have both Canon Catherine and Doug offer future classes here at Epiphany. Now that the word is out, you'll want to sign up.

Amazon Smile Program

Have you signed up yet for the free Amazon Smile program that helps support Epiphany at no cost to you? Amazon, the on-line store, will donate 0.5% of total eligible purchases you make to Epiphany. It is simple to sign up (instructions below). It's such an easy way to support Epiphany!

1. Go to smile.amazon.com
2. Log in with your Amazon user ID and password
3. Go to *Select a Charity* and type in Epiphany Episcopal Church
4. Choose the *Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Las Vegas, NV*
5. Click Select

For those who already use Amazon Smile and you want to change your charity to Epiphany, simply click on your current charity's name on the smile.amazon.com homepage and choose "Change Your Charity" and follow the above steps.



Welcome to Our New Transfers

Patricia Adams
Heather Bowman
Jennifer Steinbrenner

GOD BLESS MOMS

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO

Please join us on Sunday, May 8th at 10 am
as Epiphany's Church School celebrates mothers

In Loving Memory of

Sue Flynn
and
Gabriel Perez

Give rest, O Christ, to thy servants Sue and Gabriel with thy saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Circle of the Holy Spirit Retreat

Epiphany is hosting the Circle of the Holy Spirit Retreat on **Saturday, May 21st from 9 am to noon** followed by Holy Eucharist and lunch. Teddie Brewer will speak on *Rushing Wind* and Betty-Jeanne Cousins will speak on *Dry Bones*. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or contact Teddie with any questions.



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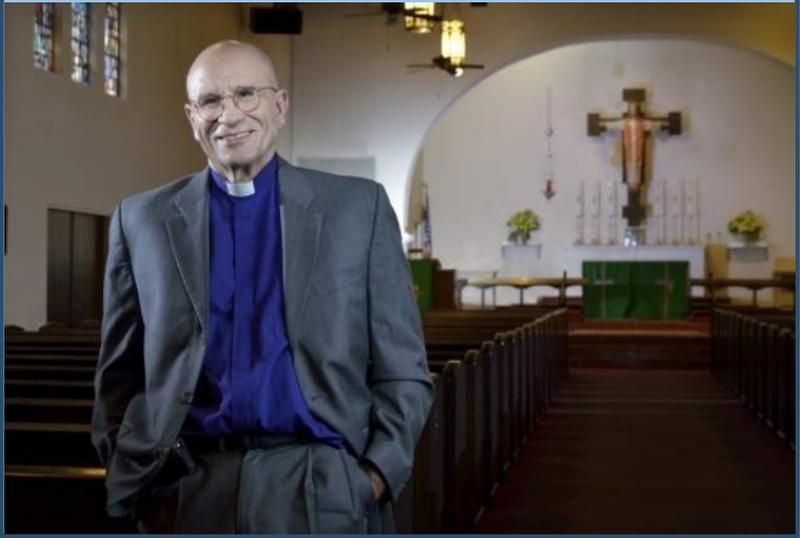
Sr. Warden	Betty-Jeanne Cousins
Jr. Warden	Shawn Woolworth
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Care & Calling Liaison	Cindy Berg
Hospitality Liaison	Laura Cannon
Outreach Liaison	Carol Haley
Evangelism Liaison	Bill Kohn
Outreach Liaison	Scott Luttenegger
Stewardship Liaison	Kristen Makhanthini
Worship Liaison	Elsa Torgerson



Father O'Brien will be holding a special class, Faith Matters, each Sunday in May between services from 9-9:30 am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Bishop's Visitation and Confirmation

On May 15th, Bishop Dan will be officiating at Epiphany's services at 8 am and 10 am. We will also be having confirmation on that day, the Day of Pentecost.



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