

# EPIPHANY THIS WEEK

October 21 - 27, 2022

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## Humility

is not thinking less of yourself  
but thinking of yourself less  
- CS Lewis

**Sunday, October 23rd, The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost** – Worship in the Church with Rev. Elizabeth Green

**8:30am** – Traditional Said Service – BCP Holy Communion

**10:30am** – Worship Celebration (BAS), with Holy Eucharist

### READINGS FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sirach 35:12-17; Psalm 84:1-7; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

**SUMMARY OF READINGS** – In the First Testament story from Sirach God is honoured for being generous and

unequivocally just and is incapable of being bribed. Psalm 84 expresses the sentiments of a joyful worshiper in the temple. We hear the tone of a somber farewell in Paul's second letter to Timothy, even as it expresses words of a soldier who has fought hard, a runner who has run well. In the gospel story about the Pharisee and the Tax Collector Jesus teaches one of his most favourite themes, the reversal of expectations in our relationship with God.

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND AT HOME PRAYERS

*The composer of Second Timothy declares, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept faith." What does that look like in your life? How does the Church of the Epiphany keep the faith, even in the face of all the world's challenges?*

**Morning** – God of Light, thank you for another day. With each hour, may I be watchful for signs of your grace, ready to show your love, and eager to tell the good news of Jesus Christ. Make me more faithful than I was yesterday, and lead me in the paths of righteousness. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

**Evening** – Holy God, thank you for the challenges and blessings of this day. If I kept faith with you, thank you for your Spirit's help. If I looked away from you, turn me back around. As night falls, I relinquish my pride and fear and entrust all whom I love to your care, with prayers for a peaceful rest; in Jesus' name. Amen.



### REV. ELIZABETH'S OFFICE HOURS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

If you are near, or are in the church and would like to drop in, please note that Rev. Elizabeth's "Drop In" Office Hours for the week of October 23rd are:

**Tuesday October 25<sup>th</sup>, – 10am-1pm    Wednesday October 26<sup>th</sup>, - 10am-1pm**

**Thursday October 27<sup>th</sup>, – 10am-1pm**

If you would like to schedule a visit with Rev. Elizabeth, please email her at [greenepiphanypriest@gmail.com](mailto:greenepiphanypriest@gmail.com) Thank You.

## Donations are Welcome in Celebration of Norm Blanchard's Ordination to the Diaconate

Several members of our parish community have asked about a gift for Norm, in celebration of his ordination as a Deacon in the Church of God on November 12<sup>th</sup>. A monetary collection is now being taken up for Norm. Collections will be received until November 11<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to contribute to the Epiphany's parish gift for Norm, please send, or pass along your financial gift to Gilles Tessier before November 11<sup>th</sup>. If you choose to write a cheque, please make your cheque out to the Church of the Epiphany and remember to write "gift for Norm" in the memo of your cheque. If you have any questions, please be sure to speak with Gilles Tessier, Peoples' Warden for the Church of the Epiphany. Thank You.



Let us pray for Norm.

**Holy and everliving God, we pray you grant Norm the grace to accept whatever challenges, disappointments and successes come his way so that he may grow in wisdom and experience as he strives to serve you and your Church. Through the obedience Norm will promise to the bishop at his ordination, make him ever more attentive to the unfolding of your will for him and for the people he serves. As Norm draws near to ordination, strengthen his hands for service and give him a clear voice to proclaim your word. Be Norm's example and guide. Be his strength and inspiration. Help him always to know his place as one who comes to serve and not to be served. As his day of ordination draws near, we pray you help Norm to lay before you all that he is; everything that he has; all that he knows and all that he does not know. Accept it, transform it, bless it; use it all for the glory of your name. Make Norm worthy of the trust and confidence placed in him and guard him in the ways of integrity and truth. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



### **A NOTE FROM REV. ELIZABETH – Let's Talk About It**

No matter who we are, where we come from, or what we believe, we all share one thing in common. We are all going to die. Death is a part of life. Even as we know by faith that death does not have the final word, our physical death is the final gateway that leads to our eternal life with all the saints in light. As your parish priest, teacher, and pastor, it is part of my role in ministry to talk about death, including funeral arrangements. While some prefer not to pre-arrange their funeral, there are others for whom pre-arranged funeral plans offer a sense of comfort and valued peace of mind. Pre-arranging one's funeral often removes the complicated "guess work" that surviving loved ones and family members often face when plans have not been documented or clearly communicated. No one is obligated to pre-arrange their funeral. It is a choice. If pre-arranging your funeral is something you would like to do, consider, or discuss, please know that I am here to help you. As you give this your prayerful thought and consideration, I also encourage you to remember the Church of the Epiphany in your final will. Again, no one is obligated to do so, but a bequest in your will can be of benefit for you, your family and for the life and ministry of our beloved church. If you would like to speak with me about any or all of these things, please contact me through the Church Office and know that you are not alone in your journey.



Yours Faithfully,  
Elizabeth+

#### ***A Bequest in Your Will***

A gift in your will demonstrates your passion, values and hopes. It also lets you make a larger donation than would be possible during your lifetime.

By naming the Church of the Epiphany as a beneficiary in your will, you can give a percentage of your estate, a sum of money, a gift of property or a gift of securities. Your estate will receive a tax receipt for the value of the gift, which may reduce the taxes payable by your estate.

#### ***The Benefits of Making a Bequest***

- It can be a lasting legacy for you, your family, or anyone you may wish to honour.
- You retain full control of your assets during your lifetime.
- It can provide tax relief to your estate.



**Epiphany Food Share for the Month of October  
in Support of the Sudbury Food Bank**  
*"Feed the Hungry"- Jesus*

People are going hungry in Sudbury. No question. Last month an article was published in the Sudbury News noting a drastic increase in food bank dependency. Catherine Ro Mullen, administrator for *The Inner-City Home of Sudbury* has stated that their food pantry as seen a 42 per cent increase in food bank usage since 2021!

People in our community need our help. We need to respond by doing what Jesus calls us to do – **Feed the Hungry!** Please bring your food donations to church on Sunday, and place them in the marked Donation Box.

Below is a list of food items that are needed to help support the Greater Sudbury Food Bank.

The Sudbury Food Bank accepts dry and canned food donations. What does that mean? Basically, any food that is “shelf-stable” or non perishable – you can keep it in your pantry and it won’t go bad. And remember, only donate food that hasn’t reached its “sell-by” date yet. The next time you are shopping, please consider giving the following items

- Peanut butter
- Canned soup
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Canned stew
- Canned fish
- Canned beans
- Pasta (most prefer whole grain)
- Rice (most prefer brown rice)



**CHURCH CALENDARS:** The 2023 Church Calendars have arrived. A limited number are available for \$8.00 each. Please see Marion in the office on Sunday mornings.



**HOSPITALITY MINISTRY** After two long years of not being able to offer the Ministry of Hospitality due to the pandemic, Rev. Elizabeth and the Church Wardens are in need of volunteers who will share their loving hearts and helpful hands to help rekindle the Ministry of Hospitality.

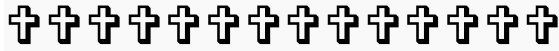
If you are able to help with this vital ministry, particularly with Coffee Hour following worship, please speak with Rector’s warden Terry Kett, or kindly email the Church Office at [info@epiphanysudbury.org](mailto:info@epiphanysudbury.org) ~ Thank You.



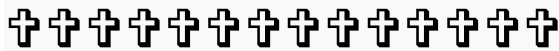
**IN NEED OF SOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT??** If you need to use a walker, raised toilet seat, crutches etc. on a short-term basis, please call me before you rent or buy. I have assembled quite a collection in my basement over the years from friends and family. I would be happy to lend them to anyone in the parish who may need them after surgery or while awaiting hip or knee replacement etc. Barb Bolton (705-674-1691)



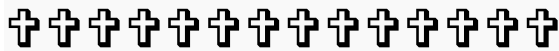
**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** - If you wish to donate Memorial Flowers in memory of a loved one, or you would like to give flowers (purchased or from your garden) to mark a special occasion such as a wedding anniversary, the birth of a child or grandchild, or another set day in the church year, please call the Church Office to arrange for your flower donation. Thank You.



**THE ELECTRONIC OFFERING PROGRAM** is a service that is offered to you and your parish to assist in giving and receiving donations. In this computerized age where many of us pay our bills online this service allows many to donate to their church and other ministries electronically. If you wish to join the EOP or amend your current donation, you can find the form on our website by clicking [here](#) or printed copies are available in the church office.



**DONATE NOW BUTTON** - Did you know you can help support the life and ministry of the Church of the Epiphany through our Donate Button that appears on our website and through our live-stream? If you or someone you know worships with us online, please consider making a donation. Your help and support is greatly appreciated. Thank You.



***LET US PRAY***

**FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY:** Mary Donato; Maybourne Kolhsmith; Olga Roman; Brandon Lai; Richard and Joan Hartley; Lorraine Campbell.

**FOR THOSE IN NEED:** Ruth; Marg; Loretta; Jean; Carol; Riley; Mary; Corrine; William; Steve; Jeremiah; Margaret; Nick, Ellen and George; Della; Sandra; Dorothy; John and Judith.



Watch us LIVE on Sunday Mornings at [www.epiphanysudbury.org/our-services](http://www.epiphanysudbury.org/our-services)

Announcements for ETW should be sent to [etw@epiphanysudbury.org](mailto:etw@epiphanysudbury.org) by NOON each Thursday.