

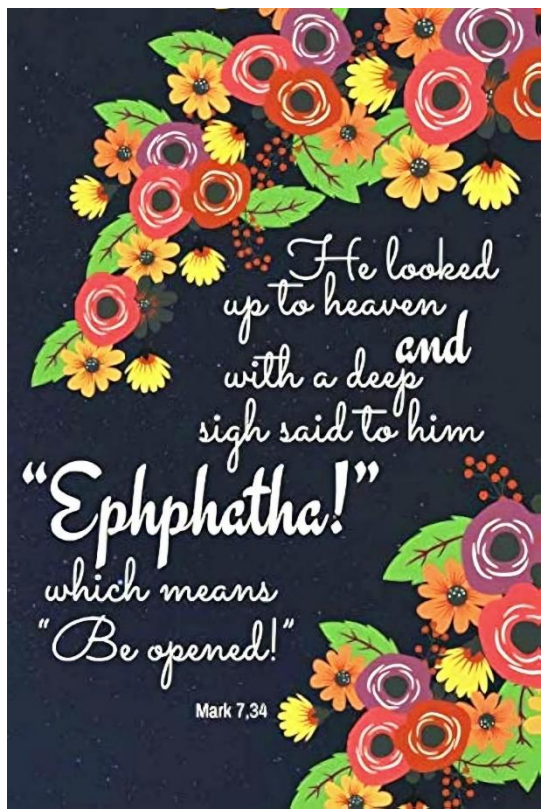
# EPIPHANY THIS WEEK

September 6 - 12, 2024

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday – Thursday 9:30 – 12:00. You can reach Carrie, our Parish Administrator at the phone number or e-mail address above.



This week's issue of the ETW (*Epiphany this Week*) is dedicated to Maybourne Kohlsmith. She is the #1 Faithful Fan of our parish newsletter. Thank You Maybourne!

## WORSHIP FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 ~

**8:30am** - Traditional Said Service of Holy Communion (BCP). Please note that our 8:30am worship is suspended for the summer and will resume on Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**10:30am** - Main Worship Service with music and Holy Eucharist (BAS).

**READINGS FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:** Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125; James 2:1-10, 14-17; Mark 7:24-27.

**SUMMARY OF READINGS:** From Proverbs we hear short wisdom sayings which caution our stance toward wealth and riches and our lack of sympathy for the poor. Psalm 125 follows to commend a generous and upright life. Likewise, in

his letter to the ancient church, James teaches that respectful treatment of the poor calls for a faith that works to supply the physical needs of the hungry and naked. The Gospel story tells of Jesus healing the Syrophenician woman's daughter and a deaf man who struggles with a speech impediment.

**QUESTION(S) FOR REFLECTION:** Try to recall a time in your life when you did not retreat or hide in the face of opposition. How is your experience like that of the Syrophenician woman putting her case to Jesus? Where in your life today is that same courage calling you to speak out? What could you do this week to take steps in that direction?

**AT HOME PRAYERS:** *Morning* – Holy God, I thank you for the gift of another day, whether it brings the sort of happiness for which I always hope or the challenges that I sometimes fear. Each day in your presence is a time to notice the marvels of creation that surround me. Help me to see them today and to move gracefully from one hour to the next, in the name of your holy and miraculous ways. In the peace of Christ, I pray. Amen.

*Evening* – Creator God, Giver of all good things, you have been at my side, beneath, above, and within me all day long, and I thank you for your presence. I thank you now, as well, that as I grow weary, you have given me a place to lay my head. Watch over all who sleep this night, especially those who have no shelter. Guard them and keep all your people in safety. In the love of Christ, I pray. Amen.



**PLEASE REMEMBER** - If you are not feeling well, or have any ill symptoms such as coughing, fever, fatigue, or a sore throat, please stay home and join us for the worship services that will be offered online. We are delighted to welcome you online if you are not able to join us in person.





**BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY!** This Sunday we give thanks to God for all parents, guardians, teachers and students of all ages, who have begun a new school year. During our special *Back to School* worship celebration, all donated backpacks and school supplies will be blessed before they are delivered to Sudbury's Youth Wellness Hub. If you haven't already

done so, please bring a backpack or some school supplies that will be given to children and youth in need. AND – all families, friends, teachers and students are also welcome and encouraged to bring their own backpacks and school supplies so that they too may receive a special blessing. We hope to see you all this Sunday as we give thanks to God for all students, teachers, and for the gift and blessing of learning.



**EPIPHANY'S BALCONY GARDEN -** A BIG Thank You to everyone who helped support this year's Epiphany Balcony Garden! Whether you watered, weeded, planted, picked or purchased anything in support our beautiful balcony garden, we thank God for you! The flowers, beans, tomatoes, basil, cucumbers and all other fresh things grown in our garden have been greatly appreciated by so many this season. We are also most grateful for the homemade pesto that was made with Marg Loney's delicious recipe. Epiphany's Balcony Garden is truly part of all things bright and beautiful within God's creation, as it shows us what is possible when loving hearts and helpful hands work together for the glory of God. Thank You! And Thanks be to God!



**IT'S TIME TO BOOK YOUR PHOTO APPOINTMENT:** We are once again working with IPC Photo Canada to create a Parish Photo Directory. Our last one was done in 2017.

This is a great way to help put faces to names, especially with the new members we've been blessed to welcome since the pandemic, and in the years since our last directory was done. Our photo dates are October 7th - 10th from 2:30 until 8:30 each day. It is free to have your photo taken, it just takes a few minutes of your time. Photo appointments are 15 minutes and the viewing and selection of the photos takes place immediately afterwards. You may purchase portraits if you choose. (They make great Christmas gifts).

All families who participate also get a free copy of the completed directory.

The link for our parishioners to book their photo appointment was sent by e-mail and will be sent again prior to our photo dates.

You can also see Marion in the office on Sunday mornings to book your appointment or you can call Carrie in the church office (Monday to Thursday 9:30-12) and she can help you too.



**Volunteers are needed to act as greeters/hosts each photography day.** There are 2 shifts to choose from 2:00-5:30 or 5:30 – 9:00. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Lobby if you can help out.

If you have any questions please speak to our Deputy Rector's Warden, Marion.

**A NOTE FROM DEPUTY PEOPLE'S WARDEN, DAVID CLIFFORD.**

*Kellie and David are on to a New Track, with Trains!*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Several weeks ago, an unexpected opportunity suddenly presented itself for our family. I have been called to take on a leadership role in management for the Huron Central Railway in Sault Ste-Marie. This is a great increase in responsibility and a very fulfilling change in direction at this point in my 25-year career as a railroader.

As we have moved before several times with the railway, Kellie will be mobilizing her business to our new home. This should not inconvenience a great many of her clients, because much of the work she specializes in can be done remotely. As a further excitement, the home we have purchased in Sault Ste-Marie was previously owned by a professional artist, and it comes completely outfitted with a studio that is all ready to work in!

Kellie and I are very excited to move forward, but at the same time we are very sad to have had so short a time at Epiphany. Though God now calls us forward, we are sorry to have to say goodbye to all the friends we have made at the Church of the Epiphany. We are going to especially miss Reverend Elizabeth and our faithful friends at the 8:30 service, that *sacred little circle* in which we have shared and deeply enjoyed our worship together. I am also very thankful to say that Archbishop Anne has extended a warm welcoming invitation to us, that we join the community of St. Luke's Cathedral. We look forward to beginning our new life of worship at the Cathedral. Kellie and I will keep all of you in our prayers, and hope that if any of you happen to be passing through Sault Ste-Marie, you might look us up and say hello!



Your Brother in Christ,  
David Clifford

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Dear David and Kellie,

On behalf of all of us at the Church of the Epiphany, I extend our most heartfelt thanks to you both for all that you have done and given in support of the life and ministry at Epiphany. Since March of this year, you have assisted in the church office, produced a very thorough Building Inspection Report, an updated Fire Safety Manual, and you helped to create bookmarks for the Renewal and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows. You've been up the belltower, and you met with Mr. Frick, the architect who managed the restoration of Epiphany following the fire in '87. You taught some of us how to make palm crosses and you provided delicious baking for our parish council meetings. You memorized nearly every Canon in the Diocese of Algoma and participated in events, both in the deanery and in the wider diocese. You attended every service in Holy Week and Easter, and you faithfully attended our wonderful 8:30am service. You assisted me at graveside services, and you managed to befriend those who struggle around and beside our church. Your love and knowledge of the BCP and classic Anglicanism has been admirable and very inspiring. And, you even did a hard search to find and read my dissertation for my Doctorate of Ministry. Between the two of you, it seems that there is very little you cannot do! You are a wonderful Team.

We are all so grateful for your care and ministry among us. Please know that you go with our prayers and blessings as you begin your new life in Sault Ste. Marie, and as you make St. Luke's Cathedral your new church home. *For All that You Do, and For All that You Are, Thank You and Thanks be to God!*

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With every Blessing,

Elizabeth+



**Thank You!** – To all those who helped to assist or provide for the recent Funerals and Celebrations of Life for the late Della Passi, Jean Tremblay and Ruth Loukidelis, we thank God for your faithful service, ministry and good care.



**CONGRATULATIONS CHANTAL!** A couple of weeks ago our dear friend and beloved member of Epiphany participated in a Special Olympics event in Azilda. Chantal competed in T-Ball and won a Bronze Medal. Way to Go Chantal! Your Church Family is so proud of you! Thanks be to God for your wonderful achievement!



**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will be starting on Monday, September 9 at noon.

All women are welcome. We meet at 12 noon for an hour. Some like to > bring their lunch. Tea and coffee are provided. For those who have the book, "Bible Women: All Their Words and Why They Matter", we will be reading Girls Fetching Water found on pg. 215. (if that is incorrect, please let Mary know). If you would like to join us but don't have the book, don't worry. Come anyway.



**SANDWICHES ON THE 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY:** This is an early reminder that September has 5 Sundays and as such we are obligated to provide sandwich makings for the Elgin St mission on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Please keep this in mind as you do your shopping this month. Thanks all. ~ Sue Moland



**A NOTE FROM REV. ELIZABETH**

*What a Difference Dear Carrie Makes!*

Dear Friends in Christ,

As many of you know, so much at Epiphany takes place behind the scenes. The life, work and ministry of a parish priest is often compared to an iceberg: the "tip" is visible for all to see, mainly on Sundays, but most of what a parish priest does happens well "below the surface". When I look back on all that has happened since April of this year, I see that most of it took place deep below the surface. And like icebergs, parish priests often get swamped, chipped, or they melt under the heat of pressure.

I know this all too well, which is why I am so profoundly grateful to now have Carrie's faithful assistance and good care in the Epiphany Church Office. Since Carrie has come on board, my life and work week have changed completely; and all for the better!

Not only is Carrie growing in her role as our Office Assistant and Administrator, she is flourishing!



Each and every week, (including while I'm on vacation) Carrie helps me in too many ways to count. Among those many and various ways, Carrie is entrusted with my monthly schedule that includes meetings, visits and all other confidential matters. The generous spirit of hospitality that Carrie brings to our Sunday morning coffee hour and to other church functions that involve her ministry of hospitality, also extends well into her work in the office. Whether Carrie is welcoming someone into the office, or she is speaking with someone on the phone, or she's out on the street speaking to people outside, she does so through her sharp eye, compassionate heart, and listening ear. Along with checking messages, emails, snail-mail and other office administrative tasks, Carrie keeps a watchful eye on our church building and property. She serves a sound and sturdy bridge between LINC and Epiphany. She is confident and generous with her inherent gifts for creativity, and she is firmly dependable. Even when Carrie is not in the office, regardless of the time or day, I am always able to reach Carrie if and when I need to. Her trustworthy support is invaluable to me.

But above all else, I am most grateful for the incredible joy, care, and laughter she brings. When Carrie and I are in the office working together, we have fun while we get things done; and that is what makes all the difference. I love my time in the office with Carrie and I give thanks to God for each day I am able to spend with her there.

But of course, all of us at Epiphany who know Carrie, love Carrie. Out of her deeply committed faith and love for Jesus, Carrie has answered her call to serve in our church office where she works, helps, serves, and cares for us all. We are all so very blessed.

Thank You Carrie! And Thanks be to God!

Yours Faithfully,  
Elizabeth+


**Please Note** – Now that Carrie is working alongside Rev. Elizabeth on a regular basis, she has been entrusted with Rev. Elizabeth’s schedule for each month. Therefore, Rev. Elizabeth will no longer publish her office hours in the ETW each week. If you wish to meet with Rev. Elizabeth in the office or you would like Rev. Elizabeth to visit you in your home, we ask that you please contact Carrie in the church office and she will gladly help to arrange a date and time for you to meet with Rev. Elizabeth. And, as always, **Please be assured that if you need to speak with Rev. Elizabeth or schedule a visit for any reason, you can email her directly at [greenepiphanypriest@gmail.com](mailto:greenepiphanypriest@gmail.com). Thank You.**



**LET US PRAY**

**FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY:** Philip and Mary Hopkins; Martin, Karen, Finnigan and Celia Brouillard; Nancy Cresswell; Bill and Darlene McKetsy; Paulette Sage

**FOR THOSE IN NEED:** Sheila; William; Myrna; Maybourne; Gilles and Mary; Karen and Corrine; Frances; Pat; Carol, Bob and Riley; Nick and Ellen; Marg.

**PWRDF**  
Sudbury Area Gathering

**Saturday, September 21, 12:00 - 4:00 pm**

This will be a gathering of Parish Representatives and friends of PWRDF for a time of learning, fellowship and inspiration.

St John the Divine Copper Cliff  
34 Godfrey Dr, Copper Cliff, ON PoM 1No

Please RSVP by contacting Ruth Corston at [ruthcorston@gmail.com](mailto:ruthcorston@gmail.com) or 705-665-1030

**We will have representatives from PWRDF** joining us for Worship on Sunday morning, September 22. If you are able to provide snacks or baked goods for Coffee Hour that day, please speak to Carrie and let her know.



**Watch us LIVE** on Sunday Mornings at 10:30 at [www.epiphanysudbury.org/our-services](http://www.epiphanysudbury.org/our-services)

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