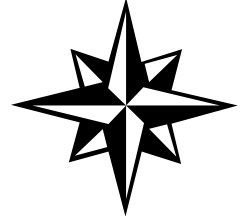


# *The Epiphany Star*



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*The Light Shines in Darkness.*

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## *From Mother Kelly*

Epiphany Beloved,

I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving.

We made 70 Thanksgiving plates for the first responders in Laurens. I'm so proud of you! Thank you to everyone who participated.

Remember we will give cookies and hot chocolate to our first responders at Christmas. We need 12 dozen cookies and 70 packets of Hot Chocolate

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## ***Christmas Eve Service.***

***Carols begin at 6:30 PM***  
***Holy Eucharist at 7:00 PM***

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***Epiphany's expenses continue throughout the year. Pledge payments and contributions may be placed in the offering plate on Sunday or mailed to the Church of the Epiphany, ATTN Harriet Barksdale, Treasurer, 225 West Main Street, Laurens, SC 29360***



## ***December 2024 Backpack Ministry Update***

We have begun a Hispanic Backpack program and will be asking for feedback from Ford Elementary.

If you wish to donate to the Backpack Ministry, please make your check payable to the Church of the Epiphany and write "Backpacks" on the Memo line. Your check may be placed in the offering during Sunday services or mailed to the Church of the Epiphany's Treasurer: Harriett Barksdale, 225 West Main St., Laurens, SC 29360.

As always, don't hesitate to contact Connie Daniels, [cdaniels1234@hotmail.com](mailto:cdaniels1234@hotmail.com), with any questions, comments, or suggestions for the Backpack Ministry. Thank you for your donations and prayers for this ministry.

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### ***~~ Prayer Requests ~~***

Pray for healing and comfort: Frank Barksdale, Wills Bryan, Eddie Brouillette, Andy Cumbee, Mary Patterson Hayes, Barbara Barbery Mann, Rowan McAdam, John Outz, Eddie Taylor, John Wilkins, Those Unemployed, and The Armed Forces of Our Country.

Prayer requests can be sent to the church in many ways: Our website at <http://epiphanyoflaurens.org/find-us> or by e-mail to [PriestInCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org](mailto:PriestInCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org) or by phone at 864.984.7000 (leave message) or drop a note in the basket at the church

## *December and January Schedule* *LEM ALTAR GUILD*

|          |                                  |                                     |
|----------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dec. 1:  | Donna Babineau<br>& Loren Taylor | Base Smith and Loren Taylor         |
| Dec. 8:  | Loren Taylor                     | Loren Taylor                        |
| Dec. 15: | Graham Duncan                    | Graham Duncan                       |
| Dec. 22: | Mark Adams                       | Harriet Barksdale and Graham Duncan |
| Dec. 24: | Lois Love                        | Harriet Barksdale and Base Smith    |
| Dec. 29: | Donna Babineau<br>& Loren Taylor | Base Smith and Loren Taylor         |
| Jan. 5:  | Loren Taylor                     | Loren Taylor                        |
| Jan. 12: | Graham Duncan                    | Graham Duncan                       |
| Jan. 19: | Mark Adams                       | Harriet Barksdale and Graham Duncan |
| Jan. 26: | Lois Love                        | Harriet Barksdale and Base Smith    |

Want to learn how to set up the altar for communion? Then, the Altar Guild is looking for you! If you are unable to be a regular part of the guild, but you are willing to fill in for someone on an occasional basis, we also want you. We are in the process of making detailed notes for guild members to use for preparing for services. If you are interested, please contact a guild member. This is an important and rewarding way in which to serve God and his church.



### *December Birthdays and Anniversaries*

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|--------------|------------------|
| December 2:  | Isaac Foggie     |
| December 3:  | Will Hellams     |
| December 10: | Mary Ellis Power |
| December 21: | Phil Betette     |

## *Facebook*

If you have a Facebook account, please like Epiphany's page and posts and share them. Our Facebook page is updated regularly and can be found at [www.facebook.com/EpiphanyOfLaurens](http://www.facebook.com/EpiphanyOfLaurens)

Likewise, visit Epiphany's website, [www.EpiphanyOfLaurens.org](http://www.EpiphanyOfLaurens.org). It is updated weekly with service information and includes links to newsletters and other pieces of information about Epiphany and the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

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***Send Items for future editions of the Epiphany Star to Bill Cooper at [mthappy@prtcnet.com](mailto:mthappy@prtcnet.com), telephone 864-969-2707 or mail to PO Box 400, Enoree, SC 29335. Let me know of additions or changes to the birthday and anniversary list.***

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## *Photos from Thanksgiving Morning First Responders Lunches*









