



**CHURCH** *of the*  
**REDEEMER**  
*Chestnut Hill*

## Strategic Ministries Newsletter

Tuesday, May 5

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### **Making Invisible Love ... Visible, Together**

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Last Sunday we celebrated Easter. In his sermon broadcast from the National Cathedral, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry likened the feeling to the first Easter:

"Easter was about a tragedy that was turned into a triumph; about God working behind the scenes, invisibly, in ways that people didn't know. ... And if we work together with our God and together with each other, we will find our way forward."

Tonight Epiphany School, which Church of the Redeemer and its parishioners have supported since its founding over twenty years ago, will host its annual gala -- which due to COVID-19 has been transformed into a virtual event.

All Together:

Epiphany School's 2020 Virtual Spring Gala

Friday, April 17 at 6pm

This is a WONDERFUL opportunity to catch a glimpse of Epiphany -- its students, faculty and staff, and the amazing things they accomplish together. Please join us in watching it and learning more about this longstanding mission partner. Tune in [HERE](#) at 6pm.

You are also invited to join Church of the Redeemer's virtual "table" to support Epiphany with a donation. Your donation will be doubled,

thanks to a generous \$150,000 gift challenge to match all contributions.

We are in awe of the abiding charity at the heart of the Redeemer.

Through the Redeemer's Easter offering you generously supported FUEL, which provides sustenance to food insecure students in Newton and Boston. Thank you!

This week you contributed non-perishable food for St. Stephen's families, responding to the increase in food insecurity driven by COVID-19. Redeemer collected over 20 shopping bags of food in less than two days (see below)! Thank you!

Thank you for embracing all of these opportunities (and many more), working "together with our God and together with each other" -- we are making love visible. It is inspiring to be working with you!

Praying with you for our mission partners and the needs of the world.

"Do not be anxious about anything,

but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

~Philippians 4:6

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## Mission Partner Updates

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# Epiphany

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Please join us for Epiphany's virtual Gala which will go live tonight at 6pm, and will stay up for a while. Please watch and invite your friends! Amazing friends of the school have put forth a \$150,000 gift challenge to match all donations. You can donate via the Redeemer's "table" [HERE](#).

"Since we can't be together in person, we hope you will join us in a virtual celebration."

To help really make it a party and fun consider the following suggestions:

- Consider getting dressed up! (The kids started announcing their outfits for this party in September.)
- Pour yourself your favorite glass of whatever and toast Epiphany!
- Host a virtual Watch Party with friends via a video conference site. (If you do, please take a screenshot and share it with us!)
- Post your "party" on Facebook or Instagram, tag Epiphany School, and use [#epiphanyvirutalgala2020](#) and [#alltogether](#). Every bit of social media exposure can help spread the word.

If you have a moment, please play this video to meet your hosts for the evening: R.J. (5th Grade) and A.B. Deleveaux (Director of the Arts & 7th Grade Lead Teacher).

Learn more about Epiphany [HERE](#), or speak to Lucia Dolan or Maisie Pollard co-leaders of the SMC Youth & Education advisory committee.

p.s. Given the impact of COVID-19, Epiphany is also assisting its community members who are food insecure. Here is a photo from yesterday as Epiphany was gearing up for another food distribution.





### **FOOD DELIVERY for ST. STEPHEN'S**

This week the Redeemer made the request for non-perishable food to contribute to St Stephen's efforts to feed families in need. Thank you for responding generously -- contributing over 20 bags of items in less than two days! Thank you to Christina Baker for delivering the donations to St Stephen's.

Learn more about SSYP [HERE](#), or speak to Lucia Dolan or Maisie Pollard co-leaders of the SMC Youth & Education advisory committee.



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