

The Living Word

The Epiphany of the Lord

2 January 2022

First Reading Is 60:1-6

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light
has come,
the glory of the Lord is rising on you,
though night still covers the earth
and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises
and above you his glory appears.
The nations come to your light
and kings to your dawning brightness.
Lift up your eyes and look round:
all are assembling and coming towards you,
your sons from far away
and your daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant,
your heart throbbing and full;
since the riches of the sea will flow to you;
the wealth of the nations come to you;

camels in throngs will cover you,
and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;
everyone in Sheba will come,
bringing gold and incense
and singing the praise of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. see v.11

*(R.) Lord, every nation on earth will
adore you.*

1. O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement. *(R.)*
2. In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds. *(R.)*

3. The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts
shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba
shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him. *(R.)*
4. For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor. *(R.)*

Second Reading Eph 3:2-3, 5-6

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You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

*We have seen his star in the East;
and have come to adore the Lord.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mt 2:1-12

We have come from the East to worship the king.

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have



come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
you are by no means least among the
leaders of Judah,
for out of you will come a leader
who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

Reflection by *Dianne Bergant CSA*

The Christmas season reaches an apex with the Epiphany. In some liturgical traditions, it is the central celebration of Christmas. It commemorates not only the birth of Christ and the visit of the Magi, but also his baptism in the Jordan and the manifestation of his glory at the wedding feast of Cana. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the focus is on the visit of the Magi and the implications of that visit for the glorious manifestation of God to all the peoples of the world.

There is a wonderful summons to alertness and presence of mind and heart, a call for all the nations to witness the marvellous works of God that shine as light in the midst of the surrounding darkness. The light of God is known in the ways in which the most vulnerable in the city are cared for and acknowledged. In just action and righteousness, the city becomes the beacon of God, and all the nations are attracted by this light. The quality of the light leads the way through the darkness and sustains the world in goodness and peace.

The manifestation of God among us changes the ways in which we perceive each other. Christ's birth provides us with the light by which we see a new criterion for relating. The Magi represent the multi-ethnic and cultural diversity in civic and parish situations, as well as the many religions of the world. All people, regardless of race or ethnic origin, can be co-heirs with Christ.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

BARWON HEADS: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
 Sunday 9:30am, Mass for
 St Mary's Syro-Malabar
 Community (Malayalam
 language)
OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 9:00am
QUEENSLIFF: Sunday 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please see below: Liturgy in our Parish this week

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
is available prior to each weekend Mass
and also before or after weekday Masses if needed

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please visit our website or contact Parish office

The EPIPHANY of the LORD Year C

Anniversaries 2nd January to 8th January:

Bert Klabbers, Ray Leschke, Sheryne Frater, Keith Kenworthy, Kevin Price, Peg Sheppard, Susan Brockwell, Vera Walsh, Joshua Bennett, Patricia Tedoldi, Eileen Butler, Peter O'Sullivan, Marie McInerney, Anthony Calleja, Elizabeth Moore, Patricia Dickinson, Leon Righetti, Les McCormack and Andrew Farrugia.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Wally Beckwith, Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Carmel Conte, Connie D'Amico, Wellington D'Cruz, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraiseux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Jo Green, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Kerin Hoyer, Robert Hurley, Jennifer Jones, Gary Kingsbury, John Kirkman, Hilda Koertjes, Evelyn Leahy, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Cas Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Peter Rafter, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Emerson Russel (baby), Mac & Mary Sullivan, Santa Sutera, Cooper Thorley, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Susan Weston, Peter Williams and Shirley Woodruff.

ROSTERS

*If you are unable to meet your commitment on your day,
please arrange a substitute. Thank you!*

COUNTERS: Tuesday 4th January at 10:00am:

Emanuel Baglieri and Ken Caffyn.

*The Parish Office will be reopening
10am on Tuesday 4th January 2022.*

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our Christmas celebrations at our 3 parish churches – Welcomers, Safety Marshalls, Special Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers, Commentators, Cleaners, Gardening Teams, Flower Arrangers, and many others, especially the fantastic Angels and Shepherds who gathered to Come Let Us Adore Him.

Thanks also to Rev Monsignor Geoff Baron for his assistance presiding at 2 of our Masses.

Thank you to Daniella, our wonderful parish secretary, to our Admin Support Team, Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Sacramental Program Teachers and Coordinators, the Faith Development Group, the Local Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society, our Safeguarding Committee, the Holy Trinity Memorial Wall Steering Committee, and Trinity Aid for Refugees. Together, you make a huge positive difference to our community.

Thanks to our School Principals and Learning Communities for their amazing efforts through this past year.

And finally, thanks to all of you, our marvellous parishioners, for looking out for each other and taking care of one another.

May this New Year bring the peace, joy, love and hope we all long for.

- Fr Darien

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Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

**** NEWS & EVENTS ****

If you require Pastoral care & support, or you are aware of others who may need assistance, please phone our Parish office. Mobile number for emergencies is on the recorded message.

RADIO BROADCASTS of SUNDAY MASS:

- Sunday 7:00am on Light FM 89.9
- Sunday 10:00am on The Pulse 94.7 FM

TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS:

- Channel 10 / 10HD: *Mass for You at Home*, every Sunday at 6:00am.
- C31 (Channel 44 on digital TVs): *St Patrick's Cathedral Mass*, every Sunday at 11:00am.
- Foxtel Aurora channel 173: *Mass*, every Sunday at 6:00am.

ONLINE MASSES AND RESOURCES:

- <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>
- <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>

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Santa Casa needs to find a part time cook and would like to offer the position to someone who needs the work. This would be from the 2nd week of January. It would be ideal for a mum as the hours are 9am - 3pm. The person would need to be able to cook and follow a recipe. If you are interested or know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Sr Lizzie on 5258 2661 or email santacasa@ismapng.org.au.

Trinity Aid for Refugees wishes to thank everyone who so generously donated to our Christmas appeal for Refugees. Donations were made via the 3 parish churches, the BT Cafe in Ocean Grove and the IGA in Barwon Heads. All donations were delivered to local refugees via the Geelong Welcome Place. For further info contact Shirley 0409 424 243.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 3rd January – The Most Holy Name of Jesus (Memorial)

Tuesday 4th January – Weekday of Christmas Time
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 5th January – Weekday of Christmas Time
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 6th January – Weekday of Christmas Time
9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 7th January – St Raymond of Penyafort (Memorial)
9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 8th January – MARY, the Holy MOTHER OF GOD (Solemnity)

Sunday 9th January – The BAPTISM of the LORD (Feast)

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Thought for the Week:

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeing new landscapes, but in having new eyes.

- Marcel Proust.

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