THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

HOLY TRINITY PARISH | SUNDAY 8TH JANUARY 2023



The Star of Bethlehem – Watercolour & gouache painting made in 1890 by Edward Burne-Jones, 1833–1898 Height: 101.1 cm; width: 152 cm. The Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery. Work in the Public Domain.

Entrance Antiphon cf. Mal 3:1; 1 Chr 29:12

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come: and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Welcome, Sign of the Cross & Penitential Act. The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is sung or said. The Collect of the Feast follows.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Is 60:1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

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. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Psalm Ps 71 (72) 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.)

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 God's holy apostles and prophets, was unknown to any people 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation cf. Mt 2: 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

The Lord be with You.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, Behold! Magi from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising in the east, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him; and he gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people, and asked them where the Messiah would be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for it is written so by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the leaders of Judah; for from you shall come one who leads, who will shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly summoned the Magi and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them off to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, report to me so that I may also go and worship him.' When they had heard the king, they set off; and Behold! The star that they had seen at its rising in the east guided them on, until it came and stood over the place where the little child was. They saw the star, and rejoiced with exceeding great joy. On entering the house, they saw the little child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And, being warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily, Creed, & Universal Prayer of the Church follow. Please see the laminated sheet or projection screen for parts of the Mass.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Communion Antiphon cf. Mt 2:2 We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

REFLECTION by Diane 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 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 multiethnic 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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Holy Family 101 Hitchcock Av Our Lady Star of the Sea 68 John Dory Drive

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Barwon Heads

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Queenscliff

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wathaurong people. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully in the land.

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Fr Darien J Sticklen Parish Secretary: Mrs Daniella Sutera

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OFFICE HOURS

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PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

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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 Sunday 11:00am

QUEENSCLIFF:

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please see below: Liturgy in our Parish this week

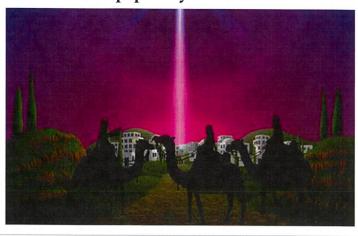
THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available prior to each weekend Mass,

and also before or after weekday Masses if needed

<u>BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS</u>
Please visit our website or contact Parish office

Please send in bulletin notices by 1pm on Thursdays

The Epiphany of the Lord



Recently Deceased: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI and Giovanna Gulino.

<u>Anniversaries</u> 8th January to 14th January: Elaine van Oosten, Mary Edward, Sheila Thom, Yvonne Sticklen, Donald Sticklen and Alfred Dickinson.

Please pray for those who are Sick: Elly Anwyl, Peg Benham, Naomi Bianco, Mary Blonk, Ron & Helen Carter, Sam and Yvonne Caruana, Connie D'Amico, Benedict Darby, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Gloria & Ron Forbes, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Peter Harrington, Jeannette Hodgkinson, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Melissa Keogh, Gary Kingsbury, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Leahy, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Sean Richards, Betty Rushton, Pauline Shannon, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Pam Sullivan, Kevin Teasdale, Aldo Trentini, Deanne Warren, Susan Weston, Michelle Williams, Peter Williams and Shirley Woodruff.

ROSTERS

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

COMMENTATOR (C), LECTOR (L), SPECIAL MINISTER (SM), WELCOMERS (W), PROJECTIONIST (P)

OCEAN GROVE: 15th January at 9:00am:

(C) Monica Meagher (L) Maureen Earls (SM) Dan O'Meara, Jo Ballard (W) Nan Calnin, Brenda Bissinella.

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

Remo & Naomi Bianco.

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

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If you are a volunteer in our parish, have you:

- 1. A current Working With Children Check?
- 2. Signed a Parish Code of Conduct?
- 3. Done the Safeguarding Essentials 30-minute online training?
- 4. A National Police Check (for counters and collectors only)?

To make it easier, instead of online training, a group training session is being planned for early February next year. To register your interest, please contact Jennie Ryan via email: Queenscliff.Safeguarding@cam.org.au

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE UPDATES!

www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/safeguarding/parish-child-safe/

We appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to comply with our legal requirements. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

** 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.

Ocean Grove: as we celebrate the arrival of the Three Wise Men, children are welcome to come dressed as kings/queens for Sunday's Mass.

Silent prayer and reflection continues at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove, on a fortnightly basis (Tuesdays) from 10-10:30am. Next session will be on **Tuesday 17**th **January**.

Trinity Aid for Refugees will be recommencing grocery collections in January 2023, starting with Barwon Heads then rotating monthly across our Parish. Thank you to our generous supporters this year. If you would like to support the Refuge Families in Geelong through December you could donate online to Wesley Church Welcome Place BSB 633 000 Account: 160 305 066. Or contact Shirley 0409 424 243 or email shirleyhurley@iinet.net.au.

TAR Catholic Social Justice Corner (weekly update): July 2008, during the World Youth Day Celebrations in Sydney, Pope Benedict, reflecting on the Indigenous People of Australia, said, "Their ancient heritage forms an essential part of the cultural landscape of modern Australia. Thanks to the Australian government's courageous decision to acknowledge the injustices committed against the indigenous peoples in the past, concrete steps are now being taken to achieve reconciliation based on mutual respect."

A Prayer for Today...

Look back over your day...
Spend a moment recalling the warmth of God's love for you.
What have you to be grateful for today?
Ask God to help you see where he has been present in your day...
Looking back on the day, is your attention drawn to anything you did, or said, or felt? What stands out?
What commitments do you have to God, to yourself, to other people? Have you lived up to those commitments today? What do you need to do or think or say which will make the changes, big and small, to help you be the person God calls you to be?

Amen.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 9th January - The Baptism of the Lord (Feast)

Tuesday 10th January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove 4:00pm Wedding at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Wednesday 11th January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff 11:00am Mass with anointing at Arcare, Point Lonsdale

Thursday 12th January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

> Friday 13th January – St Hilary (Memorial) 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 14th January – Weekday, Ordinary Time 1 3:30pm Wedding at Holy Family, Barwon Heads

Sunday 15th January - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Estia Health Leopold is a Residential Aged Care home and has availability for respite and permanent vacancies and with 50% of their respite fees for December and January. Call Gabrielle on 0416 336 841 if you would like to have a look at our wonderful home and find out more details on respite care. 52 Ash Road, Leopold. Ph: 5250 2156.

