

PROPER OF THE MASS

First Reading *Isaiah 60:1-6*

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

(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 *Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6*

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

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

Gospel *Matthew 2:1-12*

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.



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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

02 January 2022
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MASSES

Monday - Saturday: 9.10am.

Saturday (Vigil): 5.30pm.

Sunday: 8.00am, 9.30am, 6.00pm.

PRIESTS

Fr Allan Casquejo

Parish Priest

Fr Rafael Silva Galicia

Assistant Priest

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: After 9.10am Mass & before Vigil Mass

(or anytime by appointment)

BAPTISMS

Sundays: 10.30am

(Enquiry: please approach the priests after Mass)

MARRIAGE

By appointment (six months' notice)

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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Friday : 9am - 3pm

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The prophet Isaiah proclaims the revelation of the Lord: 'Above you his glory appears'. The wise men, pagans from a foreign land, see the star and decide to follow it, yearning for true wisdom. They came to behold a humble child who is God's gift to all. In They opened the treasures of their hearts and offered gifts of true worship. With gold, they emphasised Jesus' Royal Godhead; with incense, they acknowledged Him as the Priest of the New Covenant; by offering Him myrrh, they celebrated the prophet who would shed His own blood in death to reconcile humanity with the Father. Like the Magi "Three wise kings", let us be compelled to search for true wisdom in Jesus, our Lord and Saviour and pour out our hearts in true worship, love and service.





HAPPY NEW YEAR



Happy New Year
 Maligayang Bagong Taon
 Feliz año Nuevo
 Novus Annus
 Selamat Tahun Baru
 Buon Anno
 新年快樂 Xīnnián kuàilè
 Athbhliain Faoi Mhaise Duit
 Bonne Année
 Chúc mừng năm mới
 saehae bog manh-i bad-euseyo
 Akemashiteomedetō
 Puttāṅṭu vāṭtukkaḷ
 Feliz Ano Novo

We wish all parishioners and visitors a very happy and peaceful new year, full of god's blessings.
 May we be the face of Christ for others in 2022 and experience and share the richness of God's blessings.

We extend a warm thank-you to all of you who have given so much life to the Holy Family Parish during this year, especially during this pandemic.

Wishing you all a Blessed and Happy 2022 !!!

Fr Allan & Fr Rafael

FEAST & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, 02 December

The Epiphany of the Lord. The earliest Christmas feast, originating in the East in the third century and passing to the West in the fourth century. Celebrates the divine 'manifestation' or 'coming'. In the East it commemorates the baptism of the Lord and in the West the visit of the Magi. The mystery of the incarnation is now revealed to everyone in the world, represented by these wise men from foreign lands.



St Basil the Great: Born about 330 at Caesarea (Turkey). Died there on 1 January 379. First a hermit, then bishop of his native city. Remembered for his pioneering

monastic rule, and for writings which developed the doctrines of the incarnation and of the divinity of the Holy Spirit.



St Gregory of Nazianzus: Born at Nazianzus (Turkey) in 329. Died there in 389. Also a hermit before becoming bishop of Constantinople. Remembered as the "Theologian" because of his wisdom and acumen in maintaining orthodox doctrine against the Arians. Basil and Gregory are commemorated together because of their friendship in life and their enduring influence on the Church, especially in the East.

Texts: Daily Mass Book - Pictures: Wikipedia

Novena Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held this **Wednesday, 5th January in the Church @7.30pm**. Petitions & thanksgivings can be placed in the petition box at Our Lady's Shrine.

PLEASE COMPLY WHEN COMING TO VISIT THE PARISH :

- **FACE MASK is NOW Mandatory (over 12 years old).**
- **SIGN IN** with the NSW Government QR code or use the Attendance Register provided in the foyer as you enter the Church. 
- **Keep physical distance** - from Wednesday 15 December, there is no density limits for all venues and events.
- **Please take home your bulletin copy; do not return to the foyer**
- **DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH** if you have a fever, cough, sorethroat, loss of smell or loss of taste; or shortness of breath, OR in the past 2 weeks been in contact with someone COVID-19 positive or visited a COVID-19 'hot spot'.



Thank you for your cooperation & support

More information:
<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/>



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

Catholic children in Year 3 2022 are eligible to be presented for First Reconciliation, then First Holy Communion. Those in Year 6 are eligible for Confirmation. Please register ONLINE now via <https://forms.gle/SDYkgasmQMmSz7hN9>

TAP DONATION - From 1 DECEMBER, the tap devices will be no longer be specifically 1st & 2nd collections but pooled and halved between the two.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our Parish throughout the year through WEBSITE, tap donation machines, weekly collections (planned giving envelopes and loose collections at Mass), monthly planned giving by credit card and various appeals. Your support is much appreciated. May God Bless you.

FAREWELL MESSAGE from **Leonie Palmer** - I have been blessed to have been supported by three wonderful Parish Priests, Father Bill, Father John and Father Allan. The life of a Catholic School Principal is very difficult if there is not a warm and respectful relationship in this area. I would like to thank each of them for the trust they have shown me as I have made what are often difficult decisions. Thank you for your support and prayers. See full message here [Principal Leonie Palmer's Farewell Message](#).

MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Mary Yoo Foo, Doris Cimijotta, June Anderson, Peter Boidin
Anniversaries: Jerome Mikhail Liaker, Miguel Geraldo Ivan Varas, Joseph Borg;
 and all souls in Purgatory

Through the mercy of God, may their souls rest in peace.



We welcome and pray for **Rafael Agathon & Josh Lim** who are being baptised this weekend



The wise shall seek Him