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We support each other to grow in faith
and create a loving and compassionate community.
We aspire to live as Christ's witnesses of God's unconditional love.

THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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Today we celebrate the Epiphany which is a feast which complements Christmas Day itself (indeed in some cultures today is seen as the greater feast within the season). As Christmas Day celebrates the birth of the Lord, today's feast celebrates *the making known* of the Word made flesh, which is symbolised by the coming of the wise men from foreign lands. In their coming we celebrate that people of all nations are embraced by God's love made flesh in Jesus.

The word 'epiphany' literally means 'a manifestation', a 'revelation' or 'showing'.

Today's feast invites us to take up our call as disciples to be 'epiphanies' ourselves - to make known the love of God, made flesh in Jesus, through our own love. *Fr Colin*

ENTRANCE HYMN:

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field & fountain, moor & mountain, following yonder star.

Refrain: O-oh star of wonder, star of night, star with
royal beauty bright, westward leading still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light. *Refrain.*

Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,
gold I bring to crown him again;
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Refrain.*

Frankincense to offer have I, Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Pray'r and praising, gladly raising,
worshipping God on high. *Refrain.*

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
sealed in the stone cold tomb. *Refrain.*

Glorious now, behold him arise,
King & God and sacrifice; Alleluia, alleluia,
sounds through the earth and skies. *Ref.*

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: THE FIRST NOEL

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night. *Refrain*

Refrain.: Noël, Noël, Noël, Noël, Born is the King of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the north-west
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay. *Refrain.*

Then entered in those wise men three,
Full rev'rently upon the knee,
And offered there in his presence,
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense. *Refrain*

COMMUNION: SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, Holy night, All is calm, all is bright.
Round the virgin mother and child
Holy infant so tender and mild.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Silent night, Holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight:
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing Alleluia.

Christ the Saviour is born. Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night, Holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams your holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth. Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

RECESSATIONAL: JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the world!
The Lord has come
Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing. And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing

Joy to the earth! The Saviour reigns;
Let us our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders, wonders of His love.



On the last Sunday of Advent we welcomed some visiting bellringers from England who are friends of Fr Colin. Jon and his sons Sam and Theo (in yellow and blue shirts) firstly rang in a Quarter Peal of spliced doubles and then joined some of our own local band (pictured) for our usual Sunday afternoon ringing.

We continue to pray for justice and respect for our Jewish sisters and brothers and commit ourselves to standing against antisemitism whenever we encounter it.

GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

PSALM 71 (72): 1-2, 7-8, 10-13

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.

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.

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.

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his
star in the East, and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK: THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

Mon. and Tues.: 8am Killara

Wed., Thurs. and Fri.: 10am at Lindfield (no Healing Mass)

**Next Sunday is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord,
the final day of the Christmas Season.**

CHRISTMAS OFFERING



Envelopes for this appeal are
still on the pews. The Christmas
Offerings are a vital supplement to
the First Collection which provides
for the priests of the parish &
diocese.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow at the following words in bold):
**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,**

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,

**Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift
of everlasting life. Grant that life to:**

Rec. deceased: Barry Haraldson, Sister Marie Westblade,
Margaret O'Rourke, Janice Swanson, Marilyn O'Neill, Mary
Moran. Anniversary: Beverley Gledhill, Henry Yee-Joy, John
Quirk, Bernardita Glinoga and Zac Ridondo.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Diana Rosewell, Genevieve Larkin, Elvira Rodriguez, Wolfgang
Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Ali Crawford,
William Wise, Janette Brennan, Barbara and John McMullen.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

THE PARISH OFFICE

will be open this Tuesday and Wednesday only. Normal
Parish Office hours resume on Tuesday 13th January.

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER		
Saturday		3 Jan.
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Stephen
Sunday		4 Jan.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Chatswood priest
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Chatswood priest
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin

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讀經一恭讀依撒意亞先知書 60:1-6 答唱詠 詠 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

讀經二恭讀聖保祿宗徒致厄弗所人書 3:2-3,5-6 福音前歡呼領：我們在東方見到了他的星，特來朝拜他

福音 恭讀聖瑪竇福音 2:1-12 當黑落德為王時，耶穌誕生在猶大的白冷。看，有賢士從東方來到耶路撒冷，說：「剛誕生的猶太人君王在那裡？我們在東方見到了他的星，特來朝拜他。」黑落德王聽見了，就驚慌起來；全耶路撒冷也同他一起驚慌。黑落德王便召集了眾司祭長和民間的經師，仔細考問他們：「默西亞應當生在那裡？」他們對他說：「在猶大的白冷，因為先知曾這樣記載：『你猶大白冷啊！你在猶大的郡邑中，決不是最小的，因為將由你出來一位領袖；他將牧養我的百姓以色列。』」於是，黑落德暗暗把賢士叫來，仔細詢問他們那星出現的時間；然後打發他們往白冷去，說：「你們去仔細尋訪那嬰孩，幾時找到了，就向我報告，好讓我也去朝拜他。」賢士聽了王的話，就走了。看，他們在東方所見的那星，走在他們前面，直至來到嬰孩所在的地方，就停在上面。他們一見到那星，極其高興歡喜。他們走進屋裡，看見嬰孩和他的母親瑪利亞，就俯伏朝拜了那嬰孩，並打開自己的寶匣，給嬰孩奉獻了禮物，即黃金、乳香和沒藥。賢士在夢中得到指示，不要回到黑落德那裡，就由另一條路，返回自己的地方。——上王的話。