# Epiphany of the Lord, YEAR A

04 January 2026

# NOTES:

- All rostered liturgical ministers need to **sign-in** (Readers, Senior Server, EMHC, and Musicians) in the foyer.
- SC only: After mass sign-in sheet for St. Cecilia needs to be put back in the basket.

**ROSTER:** Week 1

	SAT 5.30	SUN 7.30	SUN 9AM	SUN 9.30	SUN 5PM
Presider	Paul	John	Jojo	Myk	Abel
Mass Intention					
Welcoming					
Coordinator			Pauline Philippa		
Senior Server	David	Jo	Ilde	Michael	Kevin
ЕМНС	Edelvine Jenny	Lea	Volunteer Needed x2	Titus Kaye	Christine Volunteer Needed
Readers	Val Cecilia Caterina (R)	Joseph Pauline Jenny (R)	Michael H Michael C Pauline	Brian Kate Tania (R)	Louise Catherine Linda (R)
Music	PPT with Audio	PPT with Audio	PPT with audio	PPT with Audio	PPT with Audio
Hospitality					
Laptop		Olivier			

### **BAPTISMS**

SC 10:30am	Charlotte Sienna Lewis	Timothy & Sarah
SK 11:30am	Malakai Xavier Pio Pereira	Franz & Anushka

PRESENTATIONS/WELCOMING

# WELCOME TO THE ASSEMBLY

Good morning/evening, everyone. My name is, and I warmly welcome you to our celebration of the Eucharist on this Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord – a day when we rejoice that Christ is revealed to all nations as the Light of the World.
A very Happy New Year to you and your families. May the Lord bless the year ahead with peace, hope, and renewed faith.
Today, we remember the visit of the Magi, who followed the star to find Jesus and offer Him their gifts. May this celebration inspire us to seek Christ with open hearts and share His light with others.
Before we begin, we acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land and their enduring connection to its lands and waterways. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.
As we begin our celebration, I now invite you to stand, warmly greet those around you, and join wholeheartedly in singing our Entrance Hymn.

(pause)

And now, let us welcome our presider for this Mass, Father \_\_\_\_\_.

Sat 5.30pm Fr Paul
Sun 7.30am Fr John
Sun 9am Fr Jojo

Sun 9.30am Fr Myk

Sun 5pm Fr Abel

#### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRESIDER As we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, the revelation of Jesus to all

nations, let us bring our prayers before our loving Father, asking for the

grace to make Christ known throughout the world.

RESPONSE Lord, hear our prayer.

**For the Church:** That the Church may be a radiant light, guiding all nations to encounter Jesus Christ. May her leaders and members boldly proclaim the Gospel and inspire others through their example of love, compassion, and faith. **Lord, hear us! R.** 

**For families and communities:** That families and communities may reflect the love and unity of Christ, fostering environments where faith is nurtured and shared, and where children grow to know and love Jesus. **Lord, hear us! R.** 

**For missionaries everywhere:** That those who dedicate their lives to spreading the Good News may be strengthened in their mission, and that more people may answer the call to introduce Jesus to the world through acts of service, kindness, and witness. **Lord, hear us! R.** 

**For creativity in evangelization:** That we may find new and effective ways to introduce Jesus to the world—through modern communication, cultural engagement, and personal relationships—always guided by humility and the Spirit of God. **Lord, hear us! R.** 

**For those who do not yet know Christ:** That unbelievers, lukewarm Christians, and those in doubt may encounter the love and mercy of Jesus through the witness of His followers. May they be drawn to the light of Christ, who offers hope and salvation to all. **Lord, hear us! R.** 

**For justice and peace in the world:** That we may embody Christ's teachings by working for justice, reconciliation, and peace. May our actions reflect His love, drawing others to Him through our care for the poor, the oppressed, and the vulnerable. **Lord, hear us! R.** 

May those who have died in the present wars and through captivity find life in God. We remember those who have died recently: **Leslie Rennie**, and those whose anniversaries occur: **Theresa McEwen**, **Arthur King**, Let us pray! **R**.

PRESIDER

Loving Father, you revealed Your Son to all nations through the light of a star. Hear our prayers and help us to be instruments of Your light, introducing Jesus to the world through our words, actions, and love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Christmas Closure**

Our Parish Office will close for Christmas at 4:30PM on Tuesday, 23 December. It will reopen on Tuesday, 6 January at 9:00AM.

## **First Reading**

Isaiah 60:1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

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.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

### **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**

Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

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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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

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.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

# Next week's roster (2nd Sunday of the month)

ROSTER: Week 2

	SAT 5.30	SUN 7.30	SUN 9AM	SUN 9.30	SUN 5PM
Presider	Senan	Myk	John	Jojo	Paul
Mass Intention					
Welcoming					
Coordinator			Gabrielle Maria		
Senior Server	Louise	Michael	Ilde Eva Lucas	Catherine	Stephen
ЕМНС	Elizabeth-Anne Jo	Paul Elsie	Volunteer Needed x2	Joseph Kathryn	Carol Geraldine
Readers	Bob John Edelvine (R)	Olivier Jenny Pauline (R)	Maria Larissa Gabrielle (R)	Terry Tania Sol (R)	Gerry Kevin Sacha (R)
Music	PPT with Audio	PPT with Audio	PPT with Audio	PPT with Audio	PPT with Audio
Hospitality			Hickey Family Merrigan Family		
Laptop		Lea			