

WELCOME



ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 7 JANUARY 2024

"The Love of Christ must come before all else." (Rule of St Benedict)

WEEKLY SERVICES

Mass Times:

Mon: Communion - Service @7am (after the service, the church will be closed)

Wed/Fri: 7am

Tues/Thurs: 9am

Sat: 7.30am & Vigil 6pm

Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6pm

**HOLY HOUR (STARTS WITH MASS)
FRIDAYS @7AM**



Reconciliation:

Sat: 4.30PM - 5.30PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 9.30am—5pm

Friday: 8am—5pm

Rosary Groups:

Tue: 9.30am, Wed/Fri: 7.30am

Cenacle: Thurs: 9.30am

Prayer Group:

Mary Mother of Sorrows: Meetings on

Thursdays @1pm (in recess until end of Jan24)

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Fr Albert Lynch Room @10am, gathering @9.45am (new time)

Baptisms: By appointment

Marriages: By appointment

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, YEAR B

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Nick Brodie

The journey of the Magi, Pope Francis suggests, should prompt us to ask ourselves: 'How is the journey of my faith going?'

As the Pope says, the Magi were infused with a spiritual restlessness born of their desire for something transcendent. It is a dynamic which is useful for reflecting on our own situation in this present age. Are we stuck in what the Pope characterises as a spiritual 'parking lot'? 'Do our words and our liturgies ignite in people's hearts a desire to move towards God' he asks, or does our worship look and sound like something that 'speaks only of itself and to itself?'

The Magi offer us, the Pope says, four useful ways of thinking about where we are and where we should go. Firstly, they 'set out,' making sure our faith is forward-looking and active. Secondly, they had the courage to 'defy Herod,' providing a model of courage that stands up to powers that would oppress and harm the poorest. Thirdly, they took 'another way,' forging new paths, trusting in God's creative power. And fourthly, they 'worshipped the Child,' making sure that our focus was on the God towards whom we journey in hope.

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◆ 13 JANUARY — YOUTH MASS @6PM

◆ 2 FEBRUARY — FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM

◆ 8 FEBRUARY — ALPHA STARTS @6.30PM -8.30M



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Myrtle Nimmo, Sr Carla, Truus Botman, Ng Chai Hong, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Nick Odorisio, Michelle O'Brien, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, Thomas McGuire Marris, Lorraine Healey, Mega Limadinata and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED: -

ANNIVERSARIES:

John Bill Andrew, Michelle Lyra, Beryl Rey Odorisio, Ida Betty Brophy, Antoinette Sader, Anne Karlsson and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1st: 1 Sam 3:3-10, 19

Ps: 39:2, 4, 7-10

2nd: 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20

Gospel: Jn 1:35-42



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READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon Cf Malachi 3:1; 1 Chr 29:12

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

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.

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.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

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.

Communion Antiphon Cf Matthew 2:2

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 13 & 14 JANUARY 2024

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	BRYAN MEYERKORT	BARRY FARRELL	TERRY MEO	MARK WELSH
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READERS	YOUTH	GAY PULKER LORNA D'SOUZA	GERARD D'SOUZA ANUSHIA SUPPIAH	BEV PICHE JACKIE WONG
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ALTAR SOCIETY: MILDRED REGO

PILGRIM STATUE: PAUL BELVISO

COUNTERS: BARRY FARRELL, KEVIN WRINGE, PAM KODITUWAKKU & HELEN VESTER

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —