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**7 January
2018**

**The Epiphany
of the Lord
Year B**

St. Emilie, Good and generous labourer of the Gospel. You who were attentive to the call of the Spirit in the church and reached out to all peoples regardless of religion, race or color, give us this spirit to reach out in love, so as to reveal by our lives the infinite love of the Father for all humanity. *St. Emilie, pray for us. AMEN*

PARISH MASS & PRAYER SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass

Sat: 6.30pm

Sun: 7.15am, 9am & 5pm

Weekday Mass

Tues-Fri: 6pm

Wednesday morning Mass: 9am
(Except 1st Wed at 8am)

Legion of Mary

Wed 9.30am

Adoration & Rosary

Tue: 9 - 10am

Benediction

Wed: 6.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tue-Fri, 30min before Mass or by appointment (Ph: 94565130)

Divine Mercy Devotion

1st Sunday of the month: 3pm

Youth Mass

2nd Sunday of the month: 5pm

School Mass

1st Wednesday of the month: 8am

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 6 Jan 2018, 6:30pm

- For the soul of Joseph Pham and all abandoned souls.
- Alan Theseira, Kenneth Marcus, Yvette Anwar and Chris Lamkin

Entrance Antiphon

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

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 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 **Psalm 71**

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

- 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)**
- 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)**
- 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)**
- 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 **Letter to the 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 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.

The Memorial Acclamation We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

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

Pastoral Corner

This ancient feast of the Epiphany celebrates the welcoming of all people who seek God with a sincere heart. It is not just the chosen people who are invited to faith in Jesus as Lord. He is significant to all who seek truth, and his light draws people into relationship with God. He is the sign of God's love for creation and through whom God's love is made known to all. Today is a time to reflect on how far we have travelled in our own journey towards Jesus. What is leading you? How much progress have you made? What gifts do you bring? How open are you to the possibility of finding the divine in the ordinary? As we think on the story of the wise men, and reflect on how thrilled and excited they were to see the star, we might reflect back on times of pure delight in our own life experience. Did they cause us to take a new road? We might also think about how open we are to welcoming foreigners' who come to seek Jesus.

Important: With gratitude to the Lord we want to welcome the Administrator of our Parish **Rev. Fr. Jean Noel Marie**, who will administer the Parish during the absence of our Parish Priest **Rev. Fr. Chien**. As a community we keep Fr. Chien in our prayers and wish him a restful time to recover well. He will commence his six months leave from this week-end. In order to allow Fr. Chien the opportunity to concentrate on improving his health, please for any matters refer to Fr. Jean Noel or to Fr. Giovanni. Together will be able to respond to most if not all of the issues that emerge while Fr. Chien is away.

Shrine Time will resume in January 2018.

Adoration Group Hiatus: The Adoration Group which meets on Tuesdays will recommence on January 16, 2018.

PIETY STALL: We thank all parishioners for their generous support during the year 2017 and hope for their continuing support for the year 2018. The book 'GOD'S WORD 2018' is currently sold out, but can be ordered if requested. Wedding and Baptism candles can be personalised with a two weeks notice. Please feel free to browse and request for an item we do not have. We sincerely appreciate your support.

Fundraising: For the Presbytery Building Project, our Parish Fundraising Committee is inviting you to the **Valentine's Day Dance**, featuring Life Band "**Mustangs**"

Date: Saturday, 10th February 2018

Time: 7pm—12 midnight

Location: Maddington Community Centre

Tickets: \$25 per adult including dinner, free for children under 12. For more information contact, Daryl 040 015 3177, Derrick 040 911 9387, Lloyd 045 663 5768

Please Notice:

Friday 26th of January "**Australia Day**" Mass will be celebrated **9am**. There will be no Mass at **6pm**.

RCIA is on break from 11 December 2017 to 4 February 2018.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

Now that the Year of Youth is underway, we encourage the young people (12yo-30yo) to register their details with the youth group so that we can keep you up to date with events coming in 2018. To register your interest contact Christian on 041 389 4535, Lauren on 041 499 8043, or email us on youthstemilies@gmail.com



The **Parish Office** will be **closed** until 16 January 2018 for the Christmas & New year Break.

Mass Intentions And Notices: Please submit your envelope for mass intentions (available in the church foyer) no later than **Wednesday 6pm to Fr. Jean Noel or Fr. Giovanni**. If you have any notice for the bulletin, please email **Fr. Giovanni**.

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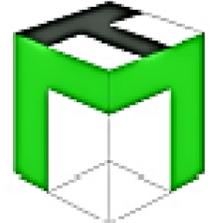

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