

Gospel Mt 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. Mt 2:2
We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Prayer against Coronavirus
O God, Healer of all our ills, to Whom we turn in this time of distress, grant we pray, in the power of faith, eternal rest to the dead and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Edmund, patron saint of pandemics, *pray for us.*

St Sebastian, patron saint of plague sufferers, *pray for us.*

St Roch, invoked against the plague *pray for us.*

St Godeberta, invoked against drought & epidemics, *pray for us.*

St Luke, patron saint of doctors, *pray for us.*

St Agatha, patron saint of nurses, *pray for us.*

St Damien, patron saint of chemists, *pray for us.*

St Anthony of Egypt, patron saint of gravediggers, *pray for us.*

Our Lady of Lourdes, *pray for us.*

Prayer for Renewal
Blessed are You, Father, who, in Your infinite love sent us your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, that we may have life, and have it in abundance.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew our Eucharistic communities. May they be places of encounter with the living Christ, centres of evangelisation and outreach to our community in love and mercy. Grant us the gifts of faith, hope and love to be faithful disciples of Jesus and radiant witnesses to the people of Sydney. Amen

Our Lady, Help of Christians, *pray for us.*

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelisation, *pray for us.*

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, *pray for us*

Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Enmore
Archdiocese of Sydney
Serving the suburbs of Enmore, St Peters, Sydenham & Tempe

The Epiphany of the Lord – Year C

2 January 2022

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Mal 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 Is 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

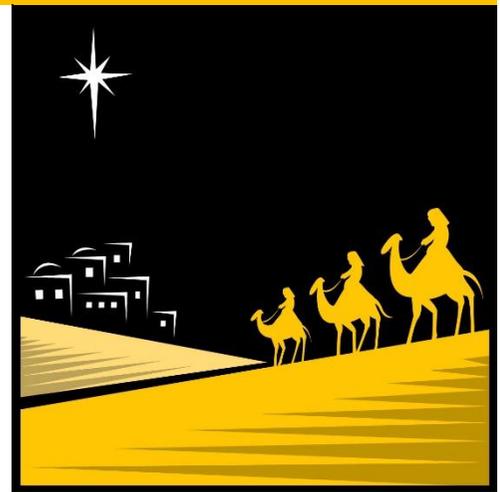
R/ Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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 Eph 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 Mt 2:2
Alleluia, alleluia!

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



Parish Administrator—Reverend Father Christopher Higgins
(available Tuesday to Sunday)
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MASSES AND SACRAMENTS

Masses Tuesday to Friday—9:15am
 Saturday—5:00pm
 Sunday—9:30am – (12:00 noon - Indonesian)

There will be no mid-week Masses during the month of January.

Confessions Saturday 4:15—4:45pm *or* by appointment

Exposition Thursday – 8:00 -9:00am

Adoration Sunday 9:00—9:25am

Baptisms By appointment—about 1 month's notice required

Marriages By appointment—about 6 months' notice required

COLLECTION for the weekends 4/5 & 11/12 December 2021

1st collection	2nd collection	Envelopes	Candle offerings
\$789.80	\$563.20	\$375.00	\$105.65
(supports the expenses of priest)	(for day-to-day running of parish)	(part of 2nd collection)	(part of 2nd collection)

Masses were offered for: pro populo (x2), Mona's intention.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. *(Archdiocesan permanent notice)*

COVID restrictions (from nsw.gov.au site). We are currently in STAGE 3:

Anyone can attend a wedding, funeral or place of worship. You are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence. Face masks are now required. [COVID-19 Safe Check-in](#) is required at places of worship, funerals, memorial services, or gatherings afterwards. Density limits no longer apply to weddings, funerals or memorials.

Archbishop Anthony has formally advised that from now on all Catholics within the Archdiocese should participate in Sunday Mass whenever this is reasonably possible. With the greater majority of people vaccinated and the numbers permitted in churches substantially increased, it is no longer difficult for people to attend Mass or receive other Sacraments.

Gathering for the Eucharist on a Sunday, the First Day of the Week, the Day of Resurrection, is the most ancient Christian celebration and the minimum expression of one's Catholic faith. (Of course, those who are unwell or particularly anxious about their health should continue to remain at home, and try to follow a televised or streamed Mass online.)

First Reconciliation Information Night 2022 Thursday, 10 February, 6:30pm in church.

New Donation Point System (as used in St Mary's Cathedral) You may now donate easily to both parish collections through our 2 donation point systems at the back of the church.

We thank Di for putting solar lights on the white cross in the church garden.

Father's Holidays They start on 1 January. This means there will be no mid-week Masses until Father returns from holidays on Tuesday 1 February. Please welcome Passionist priest from Marrickville, Fr Davoren, this Sunday.

Divine Mercy Retreat schedule is on the noticeboard.

Healing Mass Fri 7 Jan, St Joseph's Enfield. *Details on the noticeboard.*

The Archdiocesan Mission, Vision & Values Statement had been published on their website and can be found on our noticeboard.

ACU Liturgical History postgrad course *See noticeboard for details*

Please keep a respectful atmosphere after Mass by going outside to chat.

Become a Catechist or Helper in 2022 Half of Catholic children in Sydney are in public primary and high schools. Share the hope and joy that Jesus brings with them and become a catechist or helper, ready to start in Term 1, 2022. Starting off as a helper, you'll receive easy step-by-step lessons and hand out activity books in primary schools. Find out more at : <https://ccd.sydneycatholic.org/> "Being a catechist is the most spiritually fulfilling thing I've done"- Rose.

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