



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

The Epiphany of the Lord, 7-8 January 2023

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IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST—RECENTLY DECEASED: Sheila Paton (Jean Smith's sister)

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Allan Barr, Greg Ryan, Betty McKenna, Frances Dawson, Dot Bresnan, Elizabeth Sinclair and Geraldine Horton

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Ben Lobo, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Adrian Ness, Dennis Price, Carol Vallance, Chris Neate, Edna Danelutti, Lyn Read, Tyler (4yo having surgery), Helen, Justine, Thomas Lee (new born baby seriously ill), Peter Higgins, Jim Quinlan

Readings this week: Isaiah 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3,5-6; Matt 2:1-12

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

St Vincent de Paul \$2 collection this weekend

Holy Spirit Parish Vision

At Holy Spirit Parish, we are an inviting community inspired by the Holy Spirit; welcoming everyone to worship, grow, belong and serve together as Disciples of Christ.



Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK—9th-15th January 2023

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

7.00 pm Rosary via Zoom (continues throughout the holiday season)

THURSDAY

10:00am Men's Chat Group, Mary Bresnan Room

FRIDAY

9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel (continues throughout the holiday season)

SATURDAY

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY

9.00 am Mass only

NOTE : NO 5.00 pm Mass during the holidays (resumes 5th February)

HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 14th-15th January 2023

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters

Mass Coordinators:

6.00 pm: Jacek Holewa

9.00 am: Peter Parle

5.00 pm: NO MASS

Lectors:

6.00 pm: Vin Dwyer

9.00 am: Ted Ryan

5.00 pm: NO MASS

Welcomers:

6.00 pm: Marita North-Coombes

9.00 am: Nola Ryan

Tea and Coffee:

9.00 am: Bill and Trish Lanigan

January Office & Mass arrangements.

Fr Arsenio will be on leave during January. Fr John will be celebrating Masses on Friday mornings at 9:15 in the Chapel, Saturday evenings at 6pm and Sunday morning at 9am in the Church. Sunday 5pm Mass will resume on Sunday 5 February 2023.



The December issue of the Spirit Magazine is now available. Pick up a copy from the Church or view it on line via the Holy Spirit website. www.holyspiritparish.org.au/spiritmagazine

Holy Spirit Web Site - www.holyspiritparish.org.au:

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- "News, Events": ref menu
- "How we stay connected", online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page

Parish Database Update Please remember to advise the parish staff of any changes to phone and email details so we can update our database via email to Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or phone 7036 9395
Thank you.

DAILY MASS BOOKS 2023

Daily Mass Book 2023 are now available to purchase from the Parish House. (\$30 each)
Please see Ruth or Jenny to get a copy.



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ZOOM ROSARY

Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm—Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ

Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio

Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: acornelio@connecteast.com.au for inclusion weekly.

Collection Notice For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to: www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Collection-Notice

Men's Chat Group .

The Men's Chat Group coffee mornings will resume on Thursday January 12th, 10am in the Mary Bresnan Room. All are welcome.

Enquiries—contact Terry taffe: terrytaffe1951@gmail.com



On the Journey this week: On the Journey this week: The Gospel reflection from Fr Rob Galea. Mother Hilda's story of chandeliers and her call to us to be the bright light of our own small apartment of life. An extra Epiphany reflection from Fr Mark De Battista, Peter Gabauer from Men Alive on how prayer changes men's lives, and more great music!

Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime.

Journeying Together with Sr Nathalie Becquart

As our local Church in Melbourne walks the path of Take the Way of the Gospel, the universal Church is on her journey of synodality (Synod 2021–2024—For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission). These journeys are connected, and they invite us to walk together, listening to the Holy Spirit & to each other.

Tuesday 31 January 2023 10am–12 noon

Catholic Leadership Centre 576 Victoria Pde, East Melbourne

Free Event

Registration is essential via www.trybooking.com/CFARB or via the QR code below.

Registration closes Friday 27 January 2023. For enquiries, contact proclaim@cam.org.au or **9926 5761**.

Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land creatively blends **live music, media and sacred art** for an evening of beauty and reflection on the meaning of life, love and human destiny. Join Christopher West and team as they offer a vision of the Gospel through the lens of St John Paul II's *Theology of the Body*.

Choose from:

Tuesday 24 January 2023, St Francis of Assisi Parish Hall, 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park

Wednesday 25 January 2023, St Mary's Community Centre, 26 New Street, Dandenong

Schedule: 6pm - food for purchase, 7pm start, 9.30pm finish

Open to all. *All children under 18 years must be supervised by an adult.* Tickets: \$25 general, \$10 concession/student, free for children 10 and under. Register: www.trybooking.com/CETXQ

Join our Heart of Life Team:

Is Social Media Your Thing? Applications are invited for an individual to look after our social media content and assist in sharing news about Heart of Life and its programs. We seek a person who enjoys social media and can help to engage with our community to spark what may begin or continue the 'opening' process of being on earth the heart of God. The role is part-time – approx. one day per week - and is a volunteer role, at least initially. Please apply by 31/12/22 with a view to commencing in Feb 2023.

General Admin Assistant Applications are invited to support the growing team at Heart of Life where we are dedicated to supporting those who wish to deepen their spiritual journey. The position is part-time - one day per week (Mondays) during school terms - involving general office duties and providing some support with Zoom. It is a volunteer role with petrol/transport expenses paid. Please apply by 6/1/23 with a view to commencing in Feb 2023.

Position descriptions for the above and more information available from info@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel 9890 1101. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Malvern

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Celebrant: *Dear Friends in Christ. The Wise men from the East followed the guiding light of God's presence and found Christ, the Saviour of the whole world. Let us then come confidently before God, opening ourselves to the gifts of God's abundant grace.*

Reader:

We pray that we may continuously search for the true light of Christ and follow his way faithfully wherever the Spirit leads us. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

We pray for a new awareness of the many gifts and graces that we have; that like the Wise men, we may praise and thank God for them and use them in the service of others. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

We pray for all who are searching for meaning and purpose in their lives; may Christ's continuing message of new light and life be made known to them through the people and circumstances of their lives. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

That we may respect and welcome the many people in our society from different religious, cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

That we may recognize and respect God's presence in the natural environment of our world and the many unexpected events of our lives that lead us to a deeper relationship with Christ, the source of all life. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

For those who have died recently, Sheila Paton and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Allan Barr, Greg Ryan, Betty McKenna, Frances Dawson, Dot Bresnan, Elizabeth Sinclair & Geraldine Horton. May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ. Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer

Celebrant:

God our Father, you invite all people to come into Your Kingdom of light and peace. Hear the prayers of Your people and help us to see more clearly the divine mystery of human life revealed in the coming of Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Epiphany of the Lord

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 60.1-6

The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

- 1 Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!
 - 2 For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.
 - 3 Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
 - 4 Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
 - 5 Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
 - 6 A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.
- The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 72.1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (*R. see 11b+Ps 98.3c*)

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

- 1 Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.
- 2 May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice. *R.*
- 7 In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more.
- 8 May he have dominion from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. *R.*
- 10 May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.
- 11 May all kings fall down before him, all nations give him service. *R.*
- 12 For he delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have no helper.
- 13 He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy. *R.*

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6

*Now the mystery has been revealed:
now the Gentiles have become fellow heirs of the promise.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

- 2 Surely you have already heard
of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you,
- 3 and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation.
- 5 In former generations
this mystery was not made known to humanity
as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets
by the Spirit:
- 6 that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs,
members of the same body,
and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMAT I O N

Alleluia, Alleluia

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

GOSPEL

Matthew 2.1-12

We have come from the East to pay homage to the king.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

1 In the time of King Herod,
after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,
wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking,
2 “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews?
For we observed his star at its rising,
and have come to pay him homage.” ã
3 When King Herod heard this, he was frightened,
and all Jerusalem with him;
4 and calling together
all the chief priests and scribes of the people,
he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.
5 They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea;
for so it has been written by the prophet:
6 ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”
7 Then Herod secretly called for the wise men
and learned from them the exact time
when the star had appeared.
8 Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying,
“Go and search diligently for the child;
and when you have found him,
bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.”
9 When they had heard the king, they set out;
and there, ahead of them,
went the star that they had seen at its rising,
until it stopped over the place where the child was.
10 When they saw that the star had stopped,
they were overwhelmed with joy.
11 On entering the house,
they saw the child with Mary his mother;
and they knelt down and paid him homage.
Then, opening their treasure chests,
they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
12 And having been warned in a dream not to return to
Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The gospel of the Lord.

