



St Mary Immaculate & St Patrick's PARISH OF THE CLARENCE VALLEY

Copmanhurst & Cowper



Grafton & South Grafton



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Copmanhurst

The Epiphany of the Lord - Year B

3rd January 2021

Parish Family News

Entrance Antiphon: Arise, Jerusalem and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 60: 1-6

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 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; every-one in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord. The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 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 judgment. **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.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

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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

Reading continued: 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. The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Gospel: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 2: 1-12

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.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon: The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.

Next Week's Readings: (Baptism of the Lord)
1 Samuel 3: 3-10, 19; 1 Cor 6: 13-15, 17-20; John 1: 35-42

DIARY OF THE WEEK : LITURGIES, DEVOTIONS ETC

Saturday 2nd January

9.00am Mass at St Patrick's Church, South Grafton
5.00pm—5.45pm Reconciliation at St Mary's Church
6.00pm Vigil Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton

Sunday 3rd January - The Epiphany of the Lord

8.00am Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton
8.00am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church Cowper
9.30am Mass at St Patrick's Church South Grafton

Monday 4th January

NO Mass

Tuesday 5th January

5.15pm Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton

Wednesday 6th January

9.15am Mass at St Patrick's Church South Grafton

Thursday 7th January

8.00am Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton

Friday 8th January

11.30am—11.55am Reconciliation and
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
12.00noon Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton

Saturday 9th January

9.00 Mass at St Patrick's Church South Grafton
5.00pm—5.45pm Reconciliation at St Mary's Church
6.00pm Vigil Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton

Sunday 10th January - Baptism of the Lord

8.00am Mass at St Mary's Church Grafton
8.00am Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion at
Mary Immaculate Church Cowper
9.30am Mass at St Patrick's Church South Grafton

Please remember in your prayers:

Those who are sick and frail:

especially Kathryn Martin, Evonne Coutis, Cletus Moran, Brian Haynes, Bev Reilley, Dan Moran, Cheryl Kinnane, Bill & Dot Dougherty, Sandy Beadman, Gwen Haynes, Michael Halligan, Sonya Moore, Maureen Endean, Moya Ellem(Melb), Fay Ellem, John McAnally, Darcy Patricks, Eli Hagar, Allan Ryan, Kevin Burns, Shona Owens, Sue Jackson, Jacinta Frawley-Werger, Amanda Crawford, Aileen Whalan, Bree Brossman, and all those in hospital.

The Recently Deceased:

including Elmar Quante, Bill Wood (Fr Peter's Dad), Barbara Miller, Geoff Power, Dennis Smith, Dale Globits, Aileen Griffin, Fr John Fitz-Walter, Noreen Blanchard, Peter Higham, Maureen McGrath, Michael Harrigan.

Those whose Anniversaries are at this time:

Including Lance Cavanagh, Marie Cavanagh, Ernest, Laurel Cuskelly, Judith Nilon, Agnes Fitzpatrick, Bernie McDonald, Nancy Hackett.

Other Mass Intentions: including all the Holy Souls, Shirley & Richard Gors, Michael Bourke, Fran Kelly, the relatives & friends of Bev Holmes.

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany.

"The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power."

With these words, the Church proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent.

Epiphany, therefore, marks the liturgical zenith of the Advent-Christmas season.

— Pius Parsch



Important Notice:

Parish Office will reopen on Tuesday 5th January.

The telephone will divert to the Duty Priest for emergencies during this time.

For the first two weeks of January the Parish Office will open on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays until 1pm.**

No Mass at Copmanhurst 17th January.

Fr Joe providing Supply to Nambucca Valley Parish 5/1/2021 to 20/1/2021 in the absence of Fr Shelwin.

Television Free to Air—Channel Ten—Sunday Mass at 6am

For those who have access to the Internet: Bishop Greg—Mass at 8am Sunday—Livestreamed on Lismore Diocese YouTube channel or follow the links at lismorediocese.org

Also the following has Mass on demand. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYRq7AjVimr-hcHFJDHVaQ>

Weekend Jan 9/10	St Mary's Church Saturday 6.00pm	St Mary's Church Sunday 8.00am	St Patrick's Church Sunday 9.30am	Mary Immaculate Sunday 8.00am
Commentator	Tania Disson	Is anyone available	Jim O'Donohue	Lesley McFarlane
Reader	Peter Gooley	Chris McDonald	Colleen Scurrah	Marian Wright
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