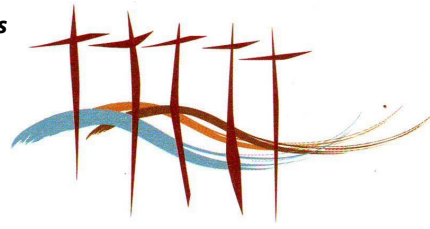


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- **BURLEIGH WATERS - MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH, 3 Sunlight Dr, Burleigh Waters**
- **BURLEIGH HEADS - INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH, 4 Park Av, Burleigh Heads**
- **PALM BEACH - OUR LADY OF THE WAY CHURCH - Eleventh Ave, Palm Beach**
- **MIAMI - CALVARY CHURCH - Redondo Av, Miami**
- **MUDGEERABA - ST. BENEDICT'S CHURCH - Wallaby Dr, Mudgeeraba**
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The Epiphany of the Lord 5 January, 2020

Year A: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3,5-6; Mt 2:1-12

next week's Readings: Is 42:1-4,6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17



There are three major celebrations during Christmas time: the Nativity, the Solemnity of Mary (January 1) and today, the Epiphany. The feast of the Baptism of the Lord (January 12) closes the Christmas season.

"Epiphany" means manifestation. What is being manifested?

The manifestation of Christ's kingdom to the pagans/gentiles,

symbolised by the "magi from the east" coming in search of the "newborn king of the Jews." They represent the first fruits of Christ's universal kingdom. What was symbolized by the magi's coming has already occurred - peoples throughout the world have expressed faith in Christ and, guided by his light, become his followers.

Today we celebrate the manifestation of God's initiative and outreach to all peoples. The reading from the prophet Isaiah expresses what God has always planned. The prophet anticipates and expresses his vision in poetic language; for poetry is free from any particular time, or circumstance. It speaks to the past, present and future.

Isaiah turns our eyes to Jerusalem, where he sees a celebratory and long procession of her children coming "from afar." They have been in exile, but now God is delivering them and bringing them home. In the vision, the Temple has been rebuilt. More than just the faithful are marching up to Jerusalem; "nations," people from every land, are coming with their offerings. It is the epiphany of the Lord.

With Christ's birth the glory of God's only Son has been revealed. But throughout Jesus' entire ministry the "glory" of the Lord has been made manifest to all. We have joined the procession of the "nations," as we come to worship today and give praise for what God has done for the world in Christ.

Matthew is the only one of the four Gospels that tells of the magi who came to do "homage" to the "newborn king of the Jews." He has drawn on the prophetic texts, exemplified in our Isaiah reading, to show Christ as the fulfilment of God's plan. Isaiah's vision was meant to offer hope to a devastated people. Matthew expands the message and shows God's fulfilment in Christ, whose good news of the kingdom is to be preached to the four corners of the world. The magi illustrate how God's revelation is made known to all people of goodwill, people ready to receive it.

Matthew concludes his gospel by showing how the prophecies of God's universal salvation have been accomplished in Christ and then, through his charge to the disciples. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to carry out everything I have commanded you. And know that I am with you always, until the end of the world."

The Epiphany is not only about God's manifestation at Jesus' birth. It is not only a feast of light shining in a dark world in a past time. Jesus charges us, his disciples, to be an epiphany, a manifestation of Christ

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Parish Weekly Diary....

Monday, 6 January

9.00am **Mass** - Miami

Tuesday, 7 January

St Raymond of Penyafort

7.30am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

6.30pm **Brazilian Catholic Community** - Miami

Wednesday, 8 January

St Peter Thomas

7.00am **Mass** - Miami

9.30am **Mass** - Ozanam Villa

12 noon **Funeral** for Tommaso Tanguosso - Mudgeeraba

5.30pm **Mass** - Palm Beach

Thursday, 9 January

St Adrian

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads

5.30pm **Mass** - Mudgeeraba

Friday, 10 January

10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Saturday, 11 January

8.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads

4.30pm **Sacrament of Penance** - Miami

5.30pm **Sacrament of Penance** - Palm Beach

5.45pm **Sacrament of Penance** - Burleigh Heads

Saturday, 11 January

The Baptism of the Lord

Sat 5.00pm **Mass** - Miami

Sat 6.00pm **Mass** - Palm Beach

Sat 6.15pm **Mass** - Burleigh Heads

SUNDAY, 12 January

The Baptism of the Lord

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads

7.00am **Mass** - Palm Beach

8.30am **Mass** - Miami

8.30am **Mass** - Mudgeeraba

10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

5.00pm **Sacrament of Penance** - Burleigh Waters

5.30pm **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

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UNIVERSITY STUDENT MASS:

26 January, 7pm

through every generation, “even to the end of the world.” We are to follow in Christ’s footsteps and show forth the glory of God through our lives. What glory, or light, might that be? Christ, has shown us by his life the glory of God in his care for the outcast and the neediest; his building of a community of equals; his forgiveness of sins and his work of peacemaking.

Even under the best of situations, when we Christians are faithful to Jesus’ teachings, and are shining forth God’s presence by our lives, still, the full epiphany of the Lord is not yet. So this feast is also a feast of hope, nourished by what God has done and is doing in our midst. Epiphany points us to a day when God will bring to fulfilment and completion what God promised in the prophets and showed forth in Christ. By Christ’s light we have seen who our God is, what God is doing for us and what God intends for the world through us, Christ’s disciples.

Matthew tells us that after the magi arrived at the home and gave homage to the child, they “departed for their country by another way.” Matthew isn’t talking about road maps is he? The Infancy Narrative is not just a listing of facts - none of the gospel material is. What the evangelist tells us is not only about accepting the revelation about Christ and acknowledging him as Messiah. Graced by faith we are to follow what we believe and profess it with acts of obedience to Christ.

The Magi’s change of route then suggests a change of life - a new way of acting -- because of their encounter with Christ. The Epiphany is both a revelation to us and a call to follow up on what has been revealed about Christ and his life. With the magi we give homage today to one who is the Light of the world. We also resolve to change our ways by what the Word teaches us and with the help of Christ’s presence in this Eucharist.

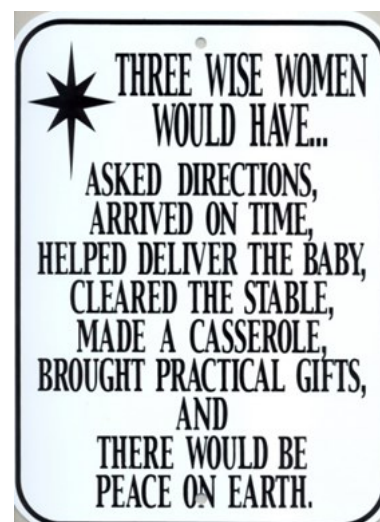
This and all the feasts we celebrate here in community are not mere “look-backs” to past events. Rather, today, we are

reminded it is our mission to be, as Paul puts it, “stewards” of God’s grace. He tells the Ephesians that a “mystery was made known to me by revelation.” He has been made a steward of the ministry of God’s love that has reached out to all peoples beyond the fringes of just one religion, class, race, or nationality. How, in our daily lives then, can we be epiphanies of God’s broad and inclusive love for all people?

Why was King Herod greatly troubled “and all of Jerusalem with him?” The magi came looking for the “newborn King of the Jews,” that is why they caused upset in the halls of power. Seers from the east came looking for a king and it was not Caesar, or Herod, or anyone in his court. This newborn king of the Jews is going to offer competition to the powers that be. Of course he does, and we have a choice: before which power shall we bow, to the world and all it promises us, or before King Jesus and the life he has for us?

Herod consults the people’s religious leaders, the chief priests and scribes. They have the correct information, drawn from their tradition, about where the child can be found. But having information is one thing; changing our lives to follow on what we know is quite another. Those who are supposed to know have the information, but they do not act on it.

The magi have the information, and they act on it. They do homage and go home by another way -- a poetic suggestion to us all. We know the truths of our faith, but how much of our lives still needs to change and respond to what we believe?



Dear Parishioners,

According to our Parish Vision Document that we developed in early 2018 our Parish is moving toward enacting this Vision. To give some insight into this – 2018 was to be a development of Spirituality; 2019 a development of Outreach; 2020 a development of Faith Formation. Many ask how we are going in the vision – so to recap and share the good news:

In the 2018 Spirituality Vision we developed – Advent Retreats; Lenten Retreats; Guest Speakers visiting for weekday and Sunday; deeper Newsletter Reflections; Ecumenical Stations of the Cross; Children’s Resources for Easter and Christmas; Celebrating the different Sunday Focus like Aboriginal Sunday, Mission Sunday, Sea Sunday etc; Sung Evening Prayer; Tenebrae; Sunday Connect Masses; School Masses; Youth Ministered Masses; Music Evenings; placing of Candle Stands, Parish Pilgrimages; Christmas Postcards; Music Ministry; Cenacle of Prayer; Divine Mercy Sunday Adoration and more.

To recap 2019 Outreach Vision – Parish Leadership Structure redeveloped; Women’s Advisory Council; Mother Effect Children’s Playgroup; Brazilian Community; Recovery Program; Rosies; Multicultural Faith Group; Family Groups; Support to Vinnies, Support to Care & Concern, Multicultural Choir; Timor Support and Sr Adina; Remodel Sacramental Program; Facebook (40k visitors per month), Police Beat; GCCC Meetings for the Homeless; Employ a Youth Minister; Bond University, Nursing and Aged Care Facilities Outreach; Shut-in Ministry; OzVilla Chaplain; Family Support Program, Safeguarding Program and training; Safe watchers program; Working with Children resources; Fire Wardens; RCIT Program; Responsible Alcohol Serving Course; The College and School Redevelopment Master Plan; Redevelop Calvary Church, Redevelop Our Lady of the Way Church; State School Catechetics; and more.

Looking at 2020 Faith Formation we hope to develop/remodel – training for Reading and Extraordinary Communion Ministers; Parish Certificate Courses in Theology and Scripture; Bible Study Groups; RCIA Program; Youth Formation; End of Life Issues and Assessment; Vocations; Hospitality Ministry; Children’s Liturgy; and more.

So our Parish is more than just Mass on Sunday but is moving toward being a community of faith and mission in the local Community and the World. Some of the above we are doing really well and some are moving slowly but there is a lot that people can be involved in as the Lord places a call in our lives to mission and evangelisation.

Blessings,


Padre

Parish News and Happenings

Pastoral Care (Spiritual Care) Team Leader at Robina Hospital – paid position now available 8 hrs per week. The hours would need to be spread over two mornings per week, rather than one full day.

Duties would include but not be limited to: Be a strong and reliable Catholic presence in Robina hospital; Be identifiable to staff as having a leadership presence; Communicate proactively with the Spiritual Care Coordinator and Allied Health Director (GCHS) as required; Be a 'go to' person for the pastoral care team at Robina for any issues for general pastoral support; Communicate directly with the Director, Pastoral Ministries on any relevant matters; Communicate with the Burleigh Heads Parish Priest as required; Attend GCHS Spiritual Care Interfaith meetings; Coordinate and oversee the placement of trainee pastoral carers at Robina hospital; Assist and support trainees during practical placement; Overall ensure that Pastoral Care at Robina Hospital is running smoothly; an open and dynamic relationship is in operation with all stakeholders at all times, Fulfil all necessary Archdiocesan and Gold Coast Health Care Services requirements.

This might seem a large role but not all actions are happening together at any one time. Please contact Burleigh Parish Office with interest. Applications Close 8th January 2020.

 **Palms Australia** will commission a Parishioner, Greg Lawson, at the 8.30am Mass at Miami on Sunday 12 January as he takes up a position with Palms Australia Mission in a placement at Good Shepherd Seminary in Banz, Papua New Guinea. With prayerful blessings we pray Greg has a wonderful and enriching experience.

Padre

BLESSINGS TO REX AND PAT BRANSdon and thanks for their many years of service in the Parish. We pray their new home is blessed and look forward to seeing them in our Parish from time to time.

- **BRAZILIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY** meets each Tuesday in Calvary Church, Miami, from 6.30 - 8.30pm and for Natal Novena every Tuesday and Thursday night in December.
- **INFANT SAVIOUR MEDITATION GROUP** will recommence on Wednesday 5 February at the home of Kay Harding before continuing at Infant Saviour in 2020. Further details Paul - 5593 3794.
- **CENACLE OF PRAYER** with Fr Andrew Grace - 18 January, 3pm, Miami Church. Prayer, Adoration, Rosary and Talk. Mass 5pm. Come start the new year in a Prayer Retreat Day.
- **MUSIC MINISTRY MEETING** - Wednesday 8 January, Parish Office.

- You are invited to share in a Community Forum - **CARE FOR OUR COMMON WORLD - Living Laudato Si ... Think Globally, Act Locally.** Saturday 15 February, 9am - 1.45pm, Our Lady Queen of Apostles, 70 Appleby Rd, Stafford. We are called to learn, to understand, to reflect and to act upon the wisdoms of Pope Francis as he challenges all people of good will to make an 'ecological conversion'. At the community forum we will look at the message within Laudato Si, engage with guest speakers from government, non government and Christian organisations, exchange ideas and grow in knowledge, so that we are better equipped to care for our common home. Please phone 3356 7155 or email stafford@bne.catholic.net.au

Psalm Responses for Weekday Masses this week:

Monday: I will give you all the nations for your heritage.
Tuesday: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.
Wednesday: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.
Thursday: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.
Friday: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.
Saturday: The Lord takes delight in his people.

SAINT THERESE OF LISIEUX - BURLEIGH PARISH AND AUSTRALIAN VISIT

The relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents Sts Louis and Zélie Martin – will be touring Australia for the first time in 18 years.

The relics will travel to Brisbane Parishes, then to Gympie and Caboolture, Ormiston, before visiting **Burleigh Heads Parish (February 13-14).**

Please connect at Facebook - BurleighCatholicParish



We have 40,000 views a week on average.

A great place to learn about the Catholic faith, current events and feast days.

BAPTISMS

We welcome to our faith community Ashton who was baptised last week.

FUNERALS

Last week we celebrated the funeral of Helen Crestani who has died in Christ.

Let us remember her family and friends in our prayers this week.

God will raise you up on eagle's wings

SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

Your prayers have been requested for Beverley Aliprandi, Michael Allan, Noreen Andersen, Patricia Ashton, Glenys Bailey, Ida Elda Bonke, Leigh Boulcher, Peter Briggs, William Buckley, Lily Burgstaller, James Burke, Diane Busutil, Joyce Cabral, Jan Carmont, Brenda Carr, Stephen Cochrane, John Costigan, Fr Des Fitzgerald, Angelita Freda, Norma Greenland, Geromy Grima, Fred Grioli, Vera Havlik, Cheryl Hingerty, Jean Hokin, Norman Ingle, Stuart Ingram, Veronica James, Clive Andrew Lang, Darren Lemon, Denis McEnery, Anne McInnes, Fay & Dennis McGreevy, John Mooney, Pat Moy, Stephen Murray, Josie Nicolas, Mary O'Brien, Sr Annette O'Connor, Paul O'Connor, Eileen O'Neill, Michael Onn, Sean O'Reilly, Anne Owens, Maureen Pocock, Phyllis Pola, William Sheehan, Peter Smith, Pacing Soriano, Isaac Stafrace, Andrew Supple, Luke Thorpe, Lourdes Toledo, Nemcio Toledo, Sara Tyler, Dan Wilson, Graham Zender, Norah Zipf, the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

DECEASED

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for friends and relatives whose anniversaries occur about this time: Helen Crestani, Terry Miners, Tommaso Tanguosso, Janine Kilfoy, John Kilfoy.

May the choir of angels come to greet you ...

May you find eternal life.

PLANNED GIVING LAST WEEK - ☺

CODE: ☺ = very good;
☺ = good;
☺ = hangin' in there;
☺ = help!

Counting roster this week: Palm Beach

2018 EXPENSES:

Catechumenate Expenses - \$2,000.00



The Recovery Course is a Christ-centred 12 step course for people with any sort of addiction or compulsive behaviour.

Recovery Course resumes on Monday 3 February at 6.30pm in Infant Saviour meeting room. New people are welcome to join the group at any time.

Enquiries Damien Kinnear - 0401 313258 - kinneark@bigpond.net.au

Liturgical Music for Epiphany

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Gathering:

We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are,
Bearing gifts we travel afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

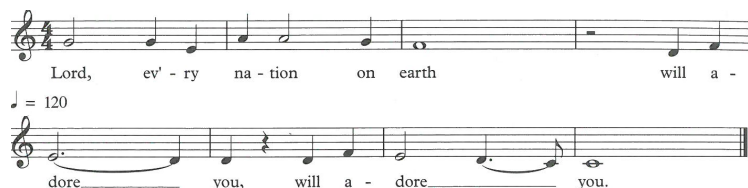
*O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to the perfect Light.*

Born a babe on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold we bring to crown him again;
King for ever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.

Frankincense to offer have I;
Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising gladly raising,
worshipping God on high.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

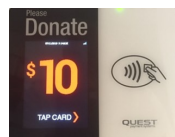
Psalm Response:



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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection
until you come again.



PARISH PAY WAVE - In line with the Cathedral and other Archdiocesan parishes we are introducing a Sunday collection paywave point. We will trial the paywave at Mercy Church before rolling out other paywave stations in the rest of the communities.

The paywave is set at \$10. All you need do is tap your card as you leave church. Please look for the paywave station at the front door. Thank you.

Padre and the Parish Finance Advisory Council

If you are a Parish Volunteer or working in the parish the onus is on you to comply with all Archdiocesan policies. Safeguarding training and registration is available online - www.safeguardingaob.com.au. If you see any unsafe practice or reportable occurrence please contact the Parish Office or STOPline Service - 1300 304 550; AOB@stopline.com.au; www.bnecatholic.stopline.com

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Communion:

Take And Eat

Take and eat, this is my body.
Take and drink, this is my life-blood.
Whenever you share this meal with others
do so in memory of me.

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Thanksgiving:

Once in Royal David's City

Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed.
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall.
With the poor and mean and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

And through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden
In whose gentle arms he lay.
Christian children all should be
Kind, obedient, good as he.

CONCLUDING RITES

Dismissal: We Three Kings

Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gath'ring gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying,
Sealed in the stone cold tomb.

*O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to the perfect Light.*

Glorious now behold him rise,
King and God and sacrifice:
Heav'n sings, "Alleluia!"
"Alleluia!" earth replies.

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