# CORPUS CHRISTI

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Our Parishes are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and vulnerable adults. We respect and value their diverse cultures and unique identities.

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**ST THOMAS MORE** 

69 North Street, Hadfield

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WEEKDAY MASSESTues: 9.00amSt Thomas MoreWed: 9.00amCorpus ChristiThur: 9.00amSt Thomas MoreFri:9.00amCorpus ChristiWEEKEND MASSESSaturday: 4.30pmSt Thomas More6.00pmCorpus ChristiSunday:9.00amSt Thomas More10.30amCorpus Christi	RECONCILIATIONSaturday: 9.00am-9.20amCorpus Christi4.00pm-4.20pmSt Thomas MoreBAPTISM1st Saturday of the month at 10.00amAny child over 5 years living outside the Parish will not be accepted for baptism.For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019WEDDING, FUNERAL AND MEMORIAL MASS Contact Parish Office	

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Mima Clemente, Elizabeth Turner, John Michael Lynam

Recent deaths: Mary Ratcliffe, Carmela Turnaturi, Domenico Loccisano

# Anniversaries:4.30pm:Toma & Maria Nguyen, Carmelo Montebello, Helen & John Azzopardi9.00am:Armando Pironti, Ambrosio Loccisano10.30am:Ivor Jenkins, Alexander Farrugia, Rosa, Luigi & Robby Lazzarini,<br/>Giuseppe Lorefice

A mistake that makes you humble is better than an achievement that makes you arrogant. Truth is like a surgery, It hurts but cures. Lie is like a pain killer, It gives instant relief but has side effects forever.

# The Epiphany of the Lord - 7 January 2024

# FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

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.

The word of the Lord.

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

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

O God, give your judgment 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.** 

# **SECOND READING**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

3:2-3.5-6

60:1-6

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.

The word of the Lord.

# **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

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.

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM		THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI			
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Maria L	Jonah C-Carolyn W	6.00pm	Yenuli De S-Noel W	Diane W-Maree A
9.00am	Janine R	Bill & Margaret W	10.30am	Danielle A-Jessie N	Reg S-Maria K

#### **JANUARY 2024**

NORMAL WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASSES CONTINUE THROUGHOUT JANUARY



# THIS SUNDAY AFTER 9.00AM MASS—ALL WELCOME !



We pray or *Dylan Roy Larkin, Mia Ilic & Ryder Motts* who will be baptised this weekend. Lord Jesus, hear our prayers, and with Your unfailing protection, watch over and cherish these children whom You have blessed with the grace of baptism.

### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**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 fulfilment all the purposes of Advent. The Epiphany therefore marks the end of Christmas—the Twelve Days of Christmas (celebrated in the song), which began with the revelation of Christ to Israel in His Birth and ended with the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles at Epiphany.

**Epiphany** means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; unless we realize the significance of this great day, we see only one side of the mystery of the Incarnation. Now after contemplating the staggering fact that God has become a human child, we turn to look at this mystery from the opposite angle and realize that this seemingly helpless Child is, in fact, the omnipotent God, the King and Ruler of the universe. The feast of Christ's divinity completes the feast of His humanity. It fulfills all our Advent longing for the King "who is come with great power and majesty." We see that whereas Christmas is the family feast of Christianity, Epiphany is the great "world feast of the Catholic Church."

# CATHOLIC HUMOUR: THREE WISE WOMEN.....

While they were talking about the story of the three wise men, a woman asked her parish priest, this question, "Do you know why God gave the star to the wise men?" When he professed his ignorance, she told him: "God knows men are too proud to ask directions. If there had been three wise women instead of three wise men, they would have asked for directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, and given some practical gifts!"