

Epiphany of The Lord 7th January 2024



REFLECTION:

Matthew 2:1-12, the narrative of the Magi visiting th infant Jesus offers profound inspiration. The journey of the wise men reflects a universal quest for meaning and truth, symbolised by following their guiding star. Their Pilgrimage signifies a deep spiritual seeking, transcending cultural and geographical boundaries.

The Magi, despite their status and wisdom, humbly bow before the Christ Child, recognising diving significance in the midst of simplicity. This narrative teaches us that true wisdom involves recognising the sacred in unexpected places and embracing the humility to approach it with reverence.

The Passage encourages us to be attentive to the guiding "stars" in our lives—those subtle yet transformative signs leading us toward deeper understanding and connection with the divine.

Ultimately, the story of the Magi invites us to reflect on the nature of our own journeys. Are we attuned to the guiding lights in our lives? Do we approach the sacred with humility and reverence, recognising the devine in the ordinary? May the narrative inspire us to embark on a profound spiritual journey, guided by the light of wisdom, humility, and a deep connection with the sacred.

In prayer, we seek the guidance and wisdom of the Magi, acknowledging the divine light that led them to Jesus. May we, too, be guided by the clelestial signs in our lives, recognising the sacred in unespected places. Let our journey be one of humility, worship, and the continuous pursuit of spiritual understanding. Amen

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Week Days:

Wed. Thu . Fri 9.15am

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First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

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.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

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 that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

Gospel: 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.

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially: Kenneth Kennedy, Maria Amelia Lopez, Nazzareno Gasparone, Rosemary Brown, Tony D'ademo, Mary Rowe, Frederick Mohorrom, Giuseppi De Venuto, Felice Talarico, Zoe De Penha, Leo McNamara.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B First Reading 1 Samuel 3:3-10.19 Second Reading 1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20 Gospel John 1:35-42

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