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ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

Incorporating the Communities of
Werribee Central, Wyndham Vale, Werribee South,
Werribee North,
Tarneit West, Upper Point Cook
and Little River

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Pastoral Team:

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD – 2ND JANUARY 2022

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand, the Wathaurong People. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

Response: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

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SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. **THE WORD OF THE LORD.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*" Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

St. Andrew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.



GOSPEL REFLECTION:

The Christmas season reaches an apex with the Epiphany. In some liturgical traditions, it is the central celebration of Christmas. It commemorates not only the birth of Christ and the visit of the Magi, but also his baptism in the Jordan and the manifestation of his glory at the wedding feast of Cana. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the focus is on the visit of the Magi and the implications of that visit for the glorious manifestation of God to all the peoples of the world. There is a wonderful summons to alertness and presence of mind and heart, a call for all the nations to

witness the marvellous works of God that shine as light in the midst of the surrounding darkness. The light of God is known in the ways in which the most vulnerable in the city are cared for and acknowledged. In just action and righteousness, the city becomes the beacon of God, and all the nations are attracted by this light. The quality of the light leads the way through the darkness and sustains the world in goodness and peace. The manifestation of God among us changes the ways in which we perceive each other. Christ's birth provides us with the light by which we see a new criterion for relating. The Magi represent the multi-ethnic and cultural diversity in civic and parish situations, as well as the many religions of the world. All people, regardless of race or ethnic origin, can be co-heirs with Christ. **Dianne Bergant CSA**

PRAYER AT HOME: Use today's collect as your prayer this week: ***May the splendor of your majesty, O Lord, we pray, shed its light upon our hearts, that we may pass through the shadows of this world and reach the brightness of our eternal home.***

VOCATION VIEW: Many adults never grow up. They continue to traipse across the earth looking for a shining star. Tell them who lights up your life, O Christian.

RECENT DEATH: Ron Page

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY: Vanessa Napiza (family attending 9.30am Mass)

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Roger Camacho, Jose Hernandez, Raywin Roberts, Ernie Hintner, Agata "Tina" Ravaneschi, Deirdre (Ireland), Evelyn Camenting, Maureen Lynch, Manel Pandithakoralege, Tracey Daffy, Sonia Francis, Kathleen Bensted

REMINDER: Parishioners please note that names for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries etc. to be included in the Sunday Bulletin must indicate the time of Mass you will be attending for name to be mentioned and request must be at the Parish Office no later than **Wednesday** afternoon and **please address envelopes to the Admin Staff**. **The names for Prayers for the Sick will be deleted after 3 months. If you have a name you would like included, please contact the Parish Office.**

WEEKDAY LITURGY (3rd to 8th January 2022) ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Mon: 9.00am Liturgy of the word with Communion
Tues to Sat: 9.00am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES (8th and 9th January 2022) ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8.00am Mass, 9.30am Mass, 11.00am Mass
and 5.00pm Mass

DAILY ROSARY ON ZOOM

We are inviting you to join us to pray the Rosary at home with the family. Please join us via Zoom Meeting every night at 6.55pm for 7.00 pm start

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2764655672?pwd=bDZuUEJpWVp6bUFVMkI6bkpRQ0xoZz09>

Meeting ID: 276 465 5672 Password: 9rGLKz
Let us continue to pray together for each other.

WELCOME

We are happy that almost all restrictions are relaxed but let us take care to be safe.

- QR Code sign in upon entry
- Greeters will be at Masses to assist you.
- Wearing Mask is mandatory from 8 years old and above.

If you have cold, cough or feeling ill, please stay home.

**HELP US MAKE OUR CHURCH SAFE
TO EVERYONE**

Thank you

Remaining mindful in our care and protection for the most vulnerable.



Save the Date

Saturday, 15 Jan 2022 at 6pm Mass.
We will be celebrating the
Feast of Sto. Nino (Infant Jesus)
to be lead by the **Filipino Community.**

You are welcome to bring your images of the Infant Jesus to be blessed during the mass. More details to come on the next weekend Take Away Sheet.

**PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED AND WILL RE-OPEN
ON TUESDAY, 4th JANUARY 2022 AT 9AM**

PARISH ROSTERS FOR 2022 – If you are currently on one of our rosters for Church Cleaning/Vacuuming, Reading, Music, Altar Cloths, Communion Service, etc. and Please **confirm if you wish** to continue on the new roster for 2022, please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible so this can be taken into account when the new rosters are drawn up. If we don't hear from you, we assume you are happy to continue on the roster. Thank you for your continued commitment and assistance in this matter.