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# **Worship Bulletin**



# The Epiphany of Our Lord 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 10.00am Sung Mass

## Welcome to St Bart's!

We are an inner-city Anglican church in the progressive catholic tradition welcoming people of any race, language, culture, age, ability, gender or sexual orientation.



We recognize and give honour to the first peoples of Australia, and especially of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nations, past, present, and emerging, the traditional custodians of the land on which this parish has its mission and ministry.

## **ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, BURNLEY**

#### **Our Vision**

To live as citizens of, and invite others into, God's Kingdom.

#### **Our Mission**

The Mission of St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Burnley, is to be a community who values the blessings and trust in the promises of God's Kingdom within the cultural and social context of Richmond, Melbourne:

- To live humbly before God and with all people
- To be dependent on God's comfort
- To be gentle with people and all Creation
- To hunger and thirst for the right ways of God
- To show mercy and compassion toward others
- To live with purity in motive and deed
- To be passionate for peace
- To persevere in the face of opposition

Based on the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-10) Adopted by the 2015 Annual Meeting

## **CHILD SAFETY COMMITMENT**

St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Burnley commits to meeting all of the standards of the Child Safety Code of Conduct of the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne, and the Victorian Government's mandatory Child Safe Standards (Child Wellbeing and Safety Amendment (Child Safe Standards) Act 2015, Child Wellbeing and Safety Amendment (Oversight and Enforcement of Child Safe Standards) Act 2016). The parish community seeks to promote the cultural safety of all children, including Aboriginal children, who come to us from a culturally or linguistically diverse background. We also seek to ensure the safety of any child with a disability. The parish community affirms that all children who come to St Bartholomew's have a right to feel and be safe. We are committed to ensuring that children's best interests are met within our parish. We have zero tolerance towards child abuse. The parish community actively works to listen to and empower children within our community.

Facilities including disabled and baby change room are located in the front entrance of the main hall. Enter via the main door of the hall. For all able access see welcomer.



If you want to ensure regular giving to St Bart's, but find you never have the right amount in cash, or are sometimes unable to attend on Sundays, then **St Bart's Direct Transfer** may work for you. **Account Name:** St Bartholomew's Anglican Church Burnley **BSB:** 703 122 **Account Number:** 05009430

As a reference you can use your own name, or you can use 'Offering' & your name will remain anonymous with your personal details not appearing on the St Bart's bank statement.

## The Feast of the Epiphany

January 6 is traditionally the Feast Day of the Epiphany of our Lord but, as is happening with a number of similar festivals in the Liturgical Calendar, the Church is tending more and more to shift her observances to the nearest Sundays of convenience. I confess the reasoning escapes me: it appears to be more a concession to the busyness of secular life rather than maintaining the time-honoured holy days of obligation. However, it has to be acknowledged that this is not the first variation in the tradition of our observance of Epiphany.

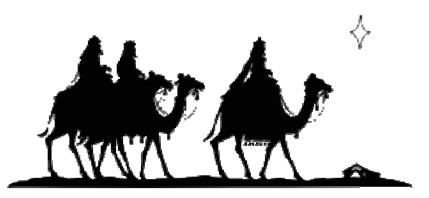
Epiphany, which is now kept as the Feast commemorating the visit of the Magi to Christ was originally the joint Festival of Christ's Baptism. December 25, 387A.D. was the first celebration of Christmas. At this time in the West *(although not in the East), 'Epiphany'* lost its connection with Baptism.

The story of the visit of the Wise Men comes in Matthew's Gospel, Chapter 2. It does not give us their names, or even state categorically that there were three of them, but long tradition has given them the names of Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. The bodies of the three are said to lie in Cologne Cathedral where there is a shrine to them.

In our Anglican tradition, Epiphany was the 'Twelfth Night', the final day of the twelve days of celebration that mark the Christmas feast. It is traditionally the day for taking down your Christmas tree and decorations. It is a Holyday of the Church and a good day for a party. The keynote of the feast is fun and joy: Christ is with us, a Child who is to become our Saviour.

A Happy Epiphany!

Fr. Graeme



# 10:00am SUNG MASS

Presider: Deacon & Preacher: Sub Deacon: Organist: Mass Setting: Fr Graeme Brennan Fr Jim Brady Cynthia Nyholm Linda Kent Christ Church Mass – Philip Matthias

## **Organ Prelude**

# GATHERING

The Hymn is sung as the Sacred Ministers enter to commence the liturgy.

## Hymn – Arise, shine out, your light has come (AM 93)

## **Invocation & Greeting**

✤ In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

## Sentence

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. Isaiah 60.1



## **Invitation to Confession**

Sisters and brothers, as we prepare to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

#### Confession

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Absolution**

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: 
♣ pardon you and set you free from all your sins, Confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.



## Gloria



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yourself to all the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

# **The Word**

## **First Reading**

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Isaiah 60: 1 – 6

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

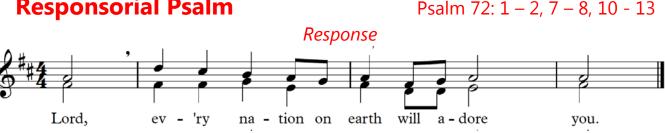
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Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord.

## Thanks be to God

**Responsorial Psalm** 



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 judgement. 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 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

Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6

Now the mystery has been revealed:

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humanity as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.

Hear the Word of the Lord.

## Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation (AM 374)**



We have seen his star in the east; and have come to adore the Lord. See Matt 2.2



## Gospel

We have come from the East to pay homage to the king.

The Lord be with you.

## And also with you.

# A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.' Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sermon

Fr Jim Brady

## The Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the № life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith: receive the prayers we offer:

#### After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

#### And at the end:

✤ Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord:

## And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

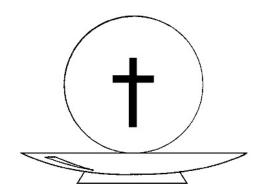
## The Peace (Stand)

We are the Body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.** 

The Peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.** 

## The Peace is shared

## **Notices and announcements**



# **The Sacrament**

## Offertory – We three kings of Orient are (AM 105)

During the Offertory Hymn the altar is prepared. Gifts of bread, wine and the collection are gathered and brought to the front of the church. At the end of the hymn, the celebrant invites all present to prayer.

## **Prayer over the Gifts**

Lord God, by this holy exchange of gifts, you share with us your divine life. Grant that everything we do may be directed by the knowledge of your truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

## The Great Thanksgiving

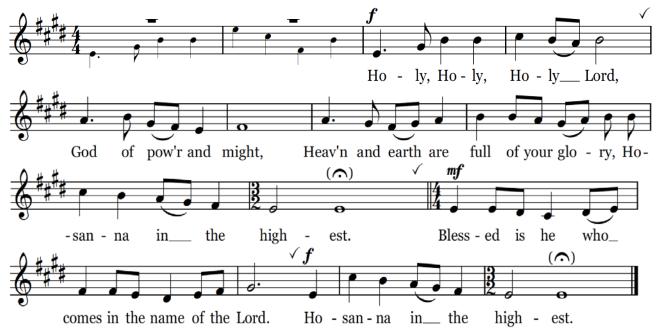
The Lord be with you.

## And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

## We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. You anointed him as Messiah, the light of the nations, and revealed him as the hope of all who thirst for righteousness and peace. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:



And now, Father, we pray that we who receive these your gifts of bread and wine according to our Saviour's word may be partakers of his Body and Blood.

## The Celebrant takes the bread in his hands and says:

For on the night he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, his almighty Father, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'TAKE, EAT. THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU. DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.'

#### The Celebrant takes the cup in his hands and says:

After supper, he took the cup and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'DRINK FROM THIS ALL OF YOU. THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS. DO THIS, AS OFTEN AS YOU DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.' Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

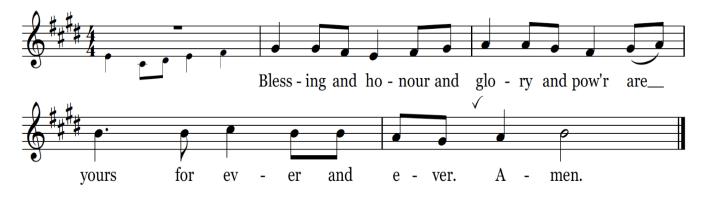
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Therefore, in obedience to his command, we commemorate and celebrate his saving passion and death, his mighty Resurrection and Ascension into heaven and we eagerly await his coming again in glory.

We thank you that by your grace alone, you have accepted us in Christ; and here we offer you a spiritual sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight. Through Christ, receive this our duty and service, and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts may, by your Holy Spirit, be one body in Christ, and serve you in unity and peace.

In your grace and mercy, bring us to the joy of your eternal kingdom with all the company of the redeemed. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father eternal, in songs of never-ending praise:



# **Rite of Holy Communion**

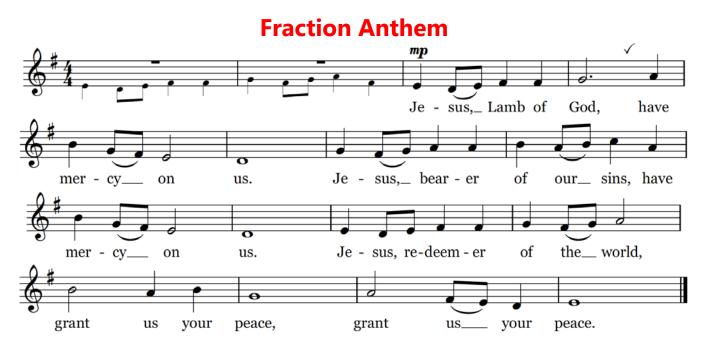
## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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We who are many are one body in Christ, for we all share in the one bread.



## **The Invitation to Holy Communion**

✤ This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

# Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Holy Communion is administered with these or similar words:

The Body / Blood of Christ. Amen.

All communicant members of any Christian Church are invited to receive the Sacrament. All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.

## **Communion Sentence**

We have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him. Matt 2.2b

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

#### Amen.

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Father . . . we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

## Hymn – Bethlehem, what greater city (AM 95) Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you **And also with you.** 

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God almighty,  $\blacksquare$  the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

## Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

## In the name of Christ. Amen.

## Postlude

## A Prayer for Ukraine

Lord of all the earth, be present with the people of Ukraine at this time of danger, fear and conflict. Grant that wise and peaceable counsels may yet prevail, and give to all suffering nations the freedom they desire and deserve. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **Prayer Diary**

**For the sick, suffering, frail with age, and those who grieve:** Joy, Milenka, Mira, Bruce, Hank, Howard; Nilani; Stephen; Vivien, Neville, Bp John Parkes, Stephen and Constables Keely Brough & Randall Kirk.

**Recently Departed:** Jean-Pierre Pavillon; Dan Octigan, Priest; Jill Jolliffe, Alan Dare, and Constables Matthew Arnold and Rachel McCrow.

and for those whose Anniversaries of death occur in Years mind: Jean Morris & Graeme King (1<sup>st</sup>), Michael Walsh (2<sup>nd</sup>), Gordon Newman & Gaynor Martin (3<sup>rd</sup>), Joseph Clark, Eunice Winter & Roy Moseley (4<sup>th</sup>), Bradley Ryan & Michael Watson (5<sup>th</sup>).

## **Prayer at the Time of Choosing an Incumbent**

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your Word and minister your Sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.** 

## **For Your Diary**

#### Thursday, 05 January

10.00am Mass

#### Sunday, 08 January, 2023 – Baptism of Our Lord

**10.00am Sung Mass** and refreshments

5.00pm Mass in recess during January Holiday Period

#### Monday, 09 January

10.00am to 12noon Richmond Churches Food Centre

#### **Tuesday, 10 January**

St Bart's Opportunity Shop to open soon

#### Thursday, 12 January

10.00am Mass

#### Sundays 8, 15, 22 January 2023

10.00am Mass and refreshments

#### Sunday 29 January 2023

10.00am Mass followed by Summer Garden Party

#### Sunday, 05 February, 23 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany (Year A)

10.00am Sung Mass

5.00pm Mass resumes

## Tuesday, 21 February, 2023

7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

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## **2023 PARISH MINISTRIES**

## **Bell Ringers**

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## **Book Club**

Second Tuesday of the month @ 7.30pm in St Bart's Café

Co-ordinator: Ann Brady

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## **Social Enterprise Café**

**Committee Chair:** Glenis Heath glenisheath 'at' gmail.com

**Climate Action Group Convenor:** Kathy Kozlowski kathykoz45 'at' yahoo.com.au

## Richmond Churches Food Centre

(Mondays, 10.00am to 12noon)

Manager: Francis Flood

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#### **Opportunity Shop**

Temporarily closed for refitting

## **Sanctuary Guild**



#### Sacristan: Jonathon Harrison

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## **2023 PARISH GOVERNANCE**



## **Churchwardens:**

- Helen McDonald (People's)
- Cynthia Nyholm (People's)
- Glenis Heath (Vicar's)

## Parish Council:

(meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 7.30pm)

- Trevor Blake
- Glenis Heath
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- Cynthia Nyholm
- Dr Muriel Porter
- Tom Ransom

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#### **WORSHIP SUNDAY**

#### **10.00am SUNG or SOLEMN MASS**

#### 5.00pm MASS

#### **MID-WEEK**

#### **Thursday 10.00am Mass**

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## **Weekly Reflection**

Dear Friends of St. Bart's,

The Epiphany is one of the great feasts of the Church that calls us beyond the present into the potentiality of the future. The wise men are a metaphor for this. They are among those in the world who discern the will of God through their intuitions. They are those who are able to read the signs of the times, and in so doing, themselves become signs of other possibilities.

The wise men are those who struggle against great odds to point to another than human way of doing things. They take risks and leave security behind; they see God in a little child and they offer their gifts. They trust some – but not the Herods of this world. They pay attention to their dreams as being yet another means of Divine revelation.

There is something terribly lonely about people who share only their certainties with you. There is something frightening about those whose faith is set in the strait-jacket of dogma, who are afraid to follow a star.

The real inner need of all of us is to be at peace with ourselves and to know ourselves. The essential truths of God's revelation of Himself to the world is veiled in poetry, myth and symbol. As St. John says, *'It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh avails for nothing.'* 

Our religion has to do with faith, with risk, with identification with the word-made-flesh who Himself set aside the security of His own glory to share our human passions.

I honestly believe that God in our own time is calling us to take risks, to follow the star, to take heed of our dreams and our intuitions and to give up our being right all the time.

We all have our own symbols and metaphors. We need to *learn* to share them with one another.

Wishing you His grace and peace, Fr Graeme (Locum Tenens)