

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Archdiocese of Melbourne

Committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults



3 January 2021 The Epiphany of the Lord Year B



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR JANUARY

New Year Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit,
Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always.
Be our Light, our Guide, and our Comforter.
Be our Strength, Courage, and our Sanctifier.
May this New Year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us,
A time of welcoming your graces and gifts,
A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,
A time for growing in virtue and goodness.
Come Holy Spirit, be with us always.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Entrance Antiphon

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

1st Reading Is 60:1-6

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

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

2nd Reading Eph 3:2-3, 5-6

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

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.
The Word of the Lord.

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri:: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Priest

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat – 6:00pm

Sun – 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon to Fri – 8:30am

Sat – 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

By appointment

DEVOTIONS

Suspended until further notice

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting:

Online on Zoom by appointment

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANointing of the Sick, House Blessings, Visits & Queries

Parish Office on 9749 4300

MASS PRAYER REQUESTS

Parishioners who would like Mass Prayer requests for birthdays, anniversaries, sick or other special occasions are invited to contact the Parish Office on 9749 4300 or via email at stpeters@westnet.com.au or hopperscrossing@cam.org.au. Fr. Vincent will offer the requests when he celebrates daily Mass.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Gospel (Mt 2:1-12)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

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.

Communion Antiphon

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Next Week's Readings

Is 55:1-11; 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

The Parish Office is closed for the Christmas break and will reopen on Monday, 11 Jan. Bulletins for 3 & 10 Jan are single sheets with mass readings. Normal bulletins will resume on 17 Jan, along with names for Death Anniversaries, Recently Deceased and Sick List.

PIETY STORE

Columban Calendars are available for \$9 each, God's Word 2021 is available for \$19.95. Limited stock available. Kindly contact Margaret Newman on 0432 044 416 for further details.

AUSTRALIA DAY TUESDAY 26TH JANUARY

Mass at 8:30am with the singing of our National Anthem.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD (also know as CANDLEMAS), TUESDAY 2ND FEBRUARY, 8:30AM MASS

A special 'Blessing of Candles' will be given at the 8:30am Mass. Everyone is invited to bring their own candles and place them on the table near the Sanctuary before the start of Mass. These blessed candles serve as a symbol of Jesus Christ, who referred to Himself as the Light of the World.