

# The Epiphany of the Lord

## The Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles

3 January 2021

*When the bell rings, all stand and sing the hymn*



O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his Name!

- 2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness,  
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,  
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,  
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.
- 3 Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness  
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine;  
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,  
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.
- 4 These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,  
he will accept for the name that is dear;  
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,  
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.
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J. S. B Monsell (1811-75)

### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mal 3.1; 1 Chr 29.12

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

#### Invocation and Greeting

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

The grace and peace of God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## Litany of Praise

*The priest, the deacon, or another minister, says*

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

*Silence*

Let us bring our darkness to his light,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*The minister says, or the cantor may sing,*

Eternal Word, you have scattered the darkness of sin and death:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Word made flesh, you have made us children of God most high:  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Incarnate One, you have united heaven and earth in God's peace:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words in italics. The score is divided into two parts: 'Priest or Cantor' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,'

Priest or Cantor

All

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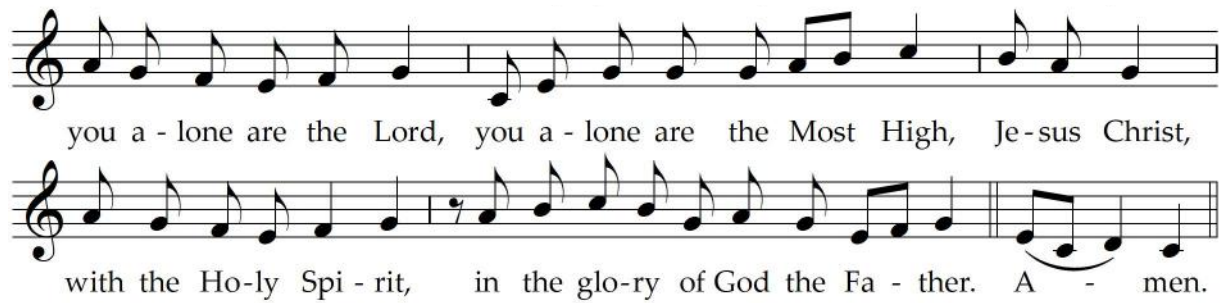
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## Collect

Let us pray.

Lord God of the nations,  
we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendour:  
may the brightness of your incarnate Word  
pierce the night that covers the earth,  
signal the dawn of justice and peace,  
and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
in the splendour of eternal light,  
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Old Testament Reading

**Isaiah 60.1-6**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

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.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



℞. Kings fall down be - fore him, all na - tions do him ser-vice.

Give the king your justice, O God,  
and your righteousness unto the king's son;  
That he may rule your people with right  
and the poor with justice.  
He shall defend the needy among the people;  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.  
He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,  
from one generation to another. ℞.

He shall come down like rain upon the field,  
like showers that water the earth.  
In his time shall the righteous flourish;  
there shall be abundance of peace for ever.  
The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute,  
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.  
All kings shall bow down before him,  
and all nations shall do him service. ℞.

For he shall deliver the poor in their distress,  
and the oppressed who have no helper.  
He shall have pity on the lowly and poor;  
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.  
He shall redeem their lives from oppression,  
and dear shall their blood be in his sight. ℞.

**New Testament Reading**

**Ephesians 3.1-12**

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles – for 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, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, 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.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 2.2

Alleluia.

We saw his star as it rose  
and have come to do the Lord homage.

Alleluia.

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 2.1-12

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ 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.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

### Profession of Faith

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 for the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

*Pray for the world and for the church.*

## Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

**God's Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*All stand to sing the chant. Please note that there will be no Collection taken up: offerings of money can be left in the Collection plates at the front and rear of the pews.*

*The top line is sung throughout. The bottom line may be added as the singing proceeds.*

A - rise, shine, for your light has come, and the glo-ry of the Lord has dawned up-on you. A -

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Ruth Cunningham (2007)



*When all is prepared, the priest says,*

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

**May the Lord accept our sacrifice  
for the praise and glory of God's name,  
for our good, and the good of all God's holy Church.**

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Gracious God,  
accept the offering of your Church,  
the hearts of your people  
joined in praise and thanksgiving,  
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

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

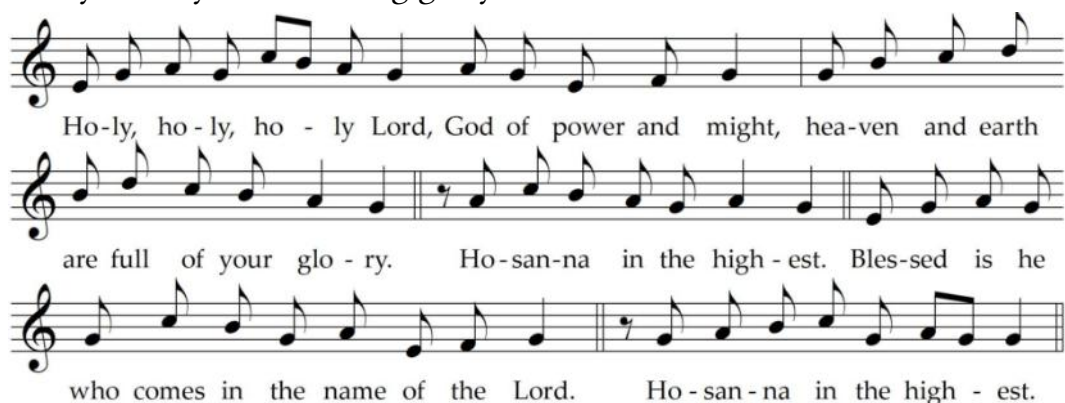
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.  
Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being,  
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.  
Day and night celebrate your glory  
till time shall be no more.

In Christ, your only-begotten Son,  
you have revealed yourself to the world.  
By the guiding of a star,  
you made him known to the nations  
as the son of David and king of Israel;  
that in following him,  
we might be led from darkness  
and into his marvellous light.

As children of your redeeming purpose  
who celebrate the manifestation of your Son,  
we offer you our praise,  
with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea-ven and earth  
are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you,  
most loving Father.  
In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us.  
Our hope is built on him  
in whom you are well pleased.  
Having been shown to the world  
as your beloved Son,  
he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.  
The blind received their sight,  
the lame walked, the lepers were cleansed,  
and the captives set free.  
At his word, water became wine,  
the hungry were filled with bread,  
and the dead were raised.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
desiring to complete the work  
for which he came into the world,  
at supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:  
"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:  
"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,  
that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts  
and with them ourselves,  
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love  
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.



Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles, and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
Lord of all ages,  
world without end. **Amen.**

## THE COMMUNION RITE

### The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence to the Father  
in the words our Saviour gave us:

**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.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,

**for we all share in the one bread.**

*While the bread is broken Agnus Dei is sung.*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: grant us peace.

## Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

*All receive Holy Communion.*

*Communion will be administered in one kind only. Communicants are asked to approach the priest in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning to their places via the side aisles.*

*Those who are not to receive the Blessed Sacrament are invited to unite themselves with Jesus by making a Spiritual Communion.*

## Act of Spiritual Communion

**St Alphonsus Liguori**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

## Communion Antiphon

**Matthew 2.2**

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

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God of all the nations of the earth,  
guide us with your light.  
Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us  
in this eucharist and in our neighbours.  
May we welcome him with love,  
for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

*All stand to sing the Postcommunion hymn.*



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| <p><b>We sought him dressed in finest clothes,<br/>where money talks and status grows;<br/>but power and wealth he never chose:<br/>it seemed he lived in poverty.</b></p> <p><b>2 We sought him in the safest place,<br/>remote from crime or cheap disgrace;<br/>but safety never knew his face:<br/>it seemed he lived in jeopardy.</b></p> | <p><b>3 We sought him where the spotlights glare,<br/>where crowds collect and critics stare;<br/>but no one knew his presence there:<br/>it seemed he lived in obscurity.</b></p> <p><b>4 Then, in the streets, we heard the word<br/>which seemed, for all the world, absurd:<br/>that those who could no gifts afford<br/>were entertaining Christ the Lord.</b></p> <p><b>5 And so, distinct from all we'd planned,<br/>among the poorest of the land,<br/>we did what few might understand:<br/>we touched God in a baby's hand.</b></p> |
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## 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,  
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The priest, deacon or another minister says,*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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## NOTICES

### **SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASS IN JANUARY**

The schedule of worship will be as usual during January with the Sunday Mass at 10 am and weekday Masses on Tuesday and Thursday at 12.10 pm, following the Angelus at noon. For those who worship at St Peter's Cathedral during the week, there will be 7.30 am Masses on Wednesday and Friday, and at 10 am on Wednesday, throughout the month of January.

### **DROP IN CENTRE IN 2021**

The Drop in Centre Meal is scheduled to recommence on Saturday 30 January 2021, and as is the long-standing custom of the Parish, we will provide the first meal. The format of the night is still being considered, but it is likely that meals will be served outside, or be takeaways.

Please let Catherine Freriks or Heather Carter know if you can assist with offers to prepare meals in advance, or with donations of money to assist in the purchase of food for others. Confirmation emails can be sent to Heather at [hcarter58@gmail.com](mailto:hcarter58@gmail.com)

## SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Angelus; 12.10 pm Mass</b> (Church open 11.30 am – 1 pm)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Angelus; 12.10 pm Mass</b> (traditional rite) (Church open 11.30 am – 1 pm)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Sung Mass</b> with children's ministry and choir

Mass is offered at St Peter's Cathedral on Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 am, and on Wednesday at 10 am.

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to Fr Graeme. Confessions or confidential personal time with a priest are always available on request.

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### Regular Giving and Donations

Financial support for our mission and ministry through electronic funds transfer (EFT) is an efficient way of making regular contributions to your congregation. Regular giving helps us plan for the future and ensures you continue offering support when you can't make it to Church.

Our Details: Bank: Bankwest, 8 Rundle Mall, Adelaide 5000  
BSB 305 122, account no 0324654. Reference: Your name

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### The Magdalene Centre

*A partnership in mission between St Mary Magdalene's, St John's Halifax Street,  
St Peter's Cathedral, and Anglicare SA*

82 Gilbert Street, Adelaide Tel (08) 8305 9389

Non-perishable food for those in need can be left in the baskets at the back of the church or delivered to the Magdalene Centre from 12 noon to 3 pm, Monday to Friday.

Goods for the Bargain Centre are not able to be accepted at the present time owing to Covid-19 restrictions.

Donations of cash are welcome via <https://anglicaresa.com.au/cause/magdalene-centre/>.

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### The Collective of St Magdalene (Drop-In Centre)

Pray for all those who receive the Collective's weekly support,  
and who are seeking meals and companionship throughout the week.

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### Locum Priest: Fr Graeme Kaines

In addition to being present at times when the Church is open, Fr Graeme is also available to speak by phone on Tuesday & Thursday between 2 and 3 pm; and on Wednesday & Friday between 11 am and 3 pm. Phone 8357 6799.

*In an emergency, please contact Fr Graeme on 0411 693 472*

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### Next Sunday, 10 January, at 10 am – The Baptism of the Lord

Readings: Isaiah 60.1-6 • Ephesians 72.1-7, 10-14 • Matthew 2.1-12

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### For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the Covid-19 pandemic continues; pray for an end to racist violence and oppression; pray for peace and justice, especially for refugees and asylum seekers.

Pray for all those who are sick in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Valerie,  
David, Sim, Chris, Clarice, Philip, Phyllis, Dulice, Jasmin and Henry.

Pray for those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. *Rest ✕ eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*