

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH: 21 TWENTIETH AVE. HOXTON PARK

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THE DAYS OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON INCLUDE THIS SUNDAY THE EPIPHANY, the visit of the Magi, the “Wise Men”, sometimes called “kings” to Jesus at Bethlehem.

EPIPHANY means a **MANIFESTATION** or a **SHOWING**

The message of Epiphany (“**showing**”) is that Jesus **is shown as**

- 1. Light for all nations, shown by the foreign Wise Men following the star.**
- 2. the Messiah (Christ, Suffering Servant, Son of God) shown at his Baptism by the words of the Father.**
- 3. the powerful Son of God, shown by his miracle of water into wine at the wedding at Cana.**

Throughout Christian history, in different places and times, each of these three showings of Jesus has been celebrated in **the Solemnity of the Epiphany**.

For us, the Epiphany celebrates Christ’s coming to *all humanity*. In Christ’s Church, which has been called Catholic (which means ‘*universal*’ or ‘*including everyone*’) since close to its beginnings, it is a call for us to be as united as possible and to reach out with Christ’s love to all people.

In a country of immigrants like Australia, Epiphany is a celebration of God’s call for us to form *one* family, without losing our own traditions: unity enriched by diversity. Epiphany invites us to overcome prejudices and stereotypes and be open to all people. Epiphany invites us to welcome the Jesus who came for everyone and who was welcomed symbolically at his birth by representatives of different nations and races.

MASSES FOR THE LORD’S DAY:

SATURDAY **5.30 P.M.** SUNDAY **8 A.M. 10 A.M. 5.30 P.M.**

WE CONTINUE THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS IN ALL OF THE WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK: MONDAY **8 a.m.** TUESDAY **7 p.m.** WEDNESDAY **9 a.m.** THURSDAY **7 p.m.** FRIDAY **9 a.m.**

RECONCILIATION (*Confession & Forgiveness*) Tuesday and Thursday from 6.30 to 6.55 p.m. (before the Mass) and on Saturday from 4 to 5 p.m. Our priest will try to be available at other times by appointment (98258154)



FILIPINO FEAST OF THE HOLY NAZARENE will be celebrated in our grounds and Church **next Sunday 9th Jan. 2022**. A Procession will begin at 11.30 a.m. and the Mass 12 Noon. Then will follows a social time together & refreshments shared in school grounds.