



GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

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The word **EPIPHANY** means a **MANIFESTATION** or a **SHOWING**.

The message of the Epiphany ('the showing') is that Jesus is shown to be

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.**
3. **the powerful Son of God, shown by his miracle 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**.

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 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, to be open to all people. Epiphany invites us to welcome Jesus who came for all and who was welcomed at his birth by representatives of different nations and races.

MASS TIMES FOR THE LORD'S DAY IN GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

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

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK Monday (Feast of the Baptism of the Lord) **8 a.m.**

Tuesday **7 p.m.** Wednesday **9 a.m.** Thursday **7 p.m.** Friday **9 a.m.**

RECONCILIATION (*Confession & Forgiveness*) Our priest is available in the Reconciliation Rooms **on** Tuesday and Thursday from 6.20 p.m. to 6.50 p.m. (before the 7 p.m. Mass) and also Saturday from 4 to 5 p.m.

OUR CATHOLIC CHILDREN IN 3 STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS NEED CATECHISTS AND HELPERS. Perhaps God is calling **you** to this privilege teaching our Faith. Religion classes (*½ hour*) are at Middleton Grange School 10.45 a.m. Wednesdays, Hoxton Park School 10 a.m. Thursdays, Hinchinbrook School 11.10 a.m. Thursdays. Catechists are given materials & training; Helpers assist Catechists. If you are willing to see if you could do these, please contact our Coordinator CYNTHIA 0431 640 922 or our Parish Office 9825 8154.



THE FILIPINO FEAST OF THE HOLY NAZARENE will be celebrated here **this**

Sunday 8th January. The devotion of many Filipinos to Jesus in his sufferings is shown through veneration of a life-sized image of a dark, kneeling Jesus carrying the Cross. The original is in the Basilica in Quiapo in Manila. Here at **11.30 a.m.** this Sunday there will be a procession with a replica image and then Mass at **12 Noon** in Church. After Mass food will be provided for the community

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT LORD'S DAY

	Jan. 14/15	Sat. 5.30 p.m.	Sun. 8 a.m.	Sun. 10 a.m.	Sun. 5.30 p.m.
Commentator Reader		Mark Gates E. Sokwala	Michael Bernabe Marc Ghignone	Patrick Palu Mercedes Palu	Christian Olegario Julee Shijo
Communion Ministers		Noel O'Donnell M. Samonte	Rodil Espino Sally Espino	Angela Jong Tonette Aguilar	David Di Bartolo Zelinda Murphy
Servers		K. Villaverde Jasmin Kamal Nathaniel Beshai	Michael Bernabe	S. Riviera-Flower Jerome Ama Chiara Beretta	Anthony Raheem Emilio Petkovic Jessica Samaan

MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE (This will appear regularly).

Child sexual abuse is a **crime**. The appropriate people to deal with crime are the **police**. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Or there is the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office 93905810 which has a legal obligation to report crimes to police. Our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer MAJA PETKOVIC is also available through the Parish Office for support and guidance.

FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION (Confession & Forgiveness)

Children of the Parish in Year **3** or a higher class in any school can be prepared for this. Church law requires children must have begun receiving Reconciliation before eligible to begin receiving Communion.

ENROLMENT EVENINGS when parents include children in the preparation:
for all Catholic fathers: Saturday **Feb. 11th 2023** at **6.45 p.m. in Church.**

for all Catholic mothers: Sunday **Feb.12th 2023** at **6.45 p.m. in Church.**

Parents who are not Catholic are very welcome. The meetings are definitely **not** for the children and will take place in the Church after the 5.30 p.m. Mass.

The child's **Baptism Certificate** is needed, unless the Baptism took place here.

FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION Sunday **26th March** at **12 or 2 p.m.**