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The Epiphany of the Lord – 8th January 2017

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	8 th	The Epiphany	St O	9.30am	Lesley Hanratty (BH)	<i>Is 60:- 1-6, Eph 3: 2-6 Matt 2: 1-12</i>
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	
Mon	9 th	Baptism of the Lord	St M	9.30am	Andrew Madden (MS)	<i>Is 42:1-7, Acts 10:34-38, Mat 3:13-17</i>
Tue	10 th	Weekday	St O	9.30am	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>	<i>1 John 4: 7-10, Mark 6: 34-44</i>
Wed	11 th	Weekday	St O	12.00pm	<i>Requiem Mass:</i> William Tilley	
Thu	12 th	St Benet Biscop	St M	9.30am	<i>Class Mass: Year 1</i> : In thanksgiving for 90 years	
Fri	13 th	Weekday	St O	9.30am	<i>Service of Word & Communion</i>	<i>1 John 5: 5-13, Luke 5: 12-15</i>
Sat	14 th	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Willine McAllister (AT)	<i>1 John 5: 14-21, John 3: 22-30</i>
Sun	15 th	2 nd Sun of Year A	St O	9.30am	Bill Jackson (MJ)	<i>Is 49:3 -6, 1 Cor 1: 1-3</i>
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	<i>John 1: 29-34</i>

SACRAMENT OF GOD'S MERCY: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's - *and available on request*
(Rosary at St Oswin's (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in January: Mary Wrightson, Sara Hyslop, June Barnsley, Peter Devlin, Fred Stimpson, David Knight, Lynda Knight, Brenda Miller, Lyn Johnson, Barbara Hunter and Betty Briggs.

Anniversaries: Lesley Hanratty, Frances Robson, William Reynolds, Monica Nugent, Violet Collins, Ken Statham, Elizabeth Waugh.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **William Tilley** who died recently. May he rest in peace.

Youth Party TODAY from 6-8pm for the young people in the parish at St Cuthbert's Church hall. All our young people are invited

The 1st Holy Communion parents meet in St Mary's Church Hall this **Thurs 12 January 7-8pm**. **The Children meet with the catechists** this Sun. 15 Jan 9.50am-12noon in the hall.

Pax Christi (The peace of Christ). **Sun 15 Jan** will be Peace Sunday. The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Their vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence. Envelopes at back of Church today for those parishioners who wish to donate. These can be placed in the collection plate next weekend.

Northern Catholic Calendars 2017 – on sale now, **£2.50**, while stocks last.

Christmas Collections - money raised at Masses at Christmas is generally sent to 'Homeless Charities'. If anyone has any suggestions for suitable charities, please let Allan Muir know.

Flame Congress: on **Sat 11 March** a group of 1,000 young people and accompanying adults from our diocese will be travelling to Flame at Wembley Arena. Flame is a National Catholic Youth Congress with inspiring speakers and music from Matt Redman. Coaches will leave from every part of the diocese. Few places still left for young people Year 9 and above and for adults. If you would like to go, please contact YMT: Email admin@ymt.org or 01207 592244.

Holocaust Memorial Evening - 'A Survivor's Story' Mrs Marta Josephs will tell the story of her Father, Mr Andrew Frankel on **Weds 25 Jan, 7pm** St Mary's Catholic School Longbenton. See Poster for full details.

Pilates Classes – are you feeling 'unfit' after all the Christmas festivities? Never tried Pilates? Why not come along to a new Pilates class starting in St Mary's Hall on **Mon 16 Jan**. Exercises that suit all ages and abilities. Classes initially are being held on Mon mornings and Tues evenings. Further classes may be added. Please see poster for full information and contact details.

Forward Together in Hope Prayer:

Glory be to the Father – in whom we live and move and have our being.

Glory be to the Son – whose name we bear and who calls each of us to be his disciples; to build his Kingdom and to go out into the world and bear its fruit.
Glory be to the Holy Spirit – pouring out grace and guidance, forming us and renewing us. Inspire us all in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle to live the Gospel, to be open to change and to move forward together in hope.

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

The prophet cheers the returned exiles with a vision of a restored city which will become a beacon of light for all the nations.

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 your 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.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 71

Response: **All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.**

1. 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
2. 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.
3. 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 shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him.
4. 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.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3.5-6

This reading expresses the theological meaning of today's feast: God invites Jew and Gentile to share on an equal footing the benefits of the salvation brought by Christ.

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.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Three Gentiles came from a far country to pay homage to the Christ-child, while the Jewish leaders rejected him.

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.

Question of the week

(for Further Personal Reflection on these Readings)

The Magi were strangers from another land.

How do you welcome immigrants and strangers in the name of Christ?