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## The Epiphany of the Lord – 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

<b>SERVICES &amp; MASS INTENTIONS</b>						
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Epiphany of the Lord</b>	<b>St O</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Patrick Doherty (CD)	<i>Is 60:- 1-6, Eph 3:2-3.5-6 Matt 2: 1-12</i>
			<b>St M</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	People of the Parish	
Mon	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Baptism of the Lord</b>	St M	9.30am	Tom & Barbara Hunter	<i>Is 55:1-11, 1 Jn 5:1-9, Mark 1:7-11</i>
Tue	9 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday	St O	9.30am	<i>Service of Word &amp; Communion</i>	<i>1 John 4: 7-10, Mark 6: 34-44</i>
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Mary Wrightson (SD)	<i>1 John 4: 11-18, Mark 6: 45-52</i>
Thu	11 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday	St M	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	<i>1 John 4:19-5:4, Luke 4: 14-22</i>
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup>	St Benet Biscop	St O	9.30am	Lesley Hanratty (BH)	<i>Micah 6: 6-8, Luke 9: 57-62</i>
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday	St O	9.30am	Dec'd Coates & Hogg Fam (MH)	<i>1 John 5: 14-21, John 3:22-30</i>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Year B</b>	<b>St O</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Bill Jackson (MJ)	<i>Sam 3: 3-19, 1 Cor 6: 13-20</i>
			<b>St M</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	People of the Parish	<i>John 1: 35-42</i>
<p><b>SACRAMENT OF GOD'S MERCY:</b> Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's - <i>and available on request</i> (Rosary at St Oswin's (St O) – Fri after Mass: St Mary's (St M) Exposition Chapel Open Daily 7.30am-7.30pm)</p>						

**We remember those who have asked for our prayers in January:** Susan McGregor, Brenda Miller, Lyn Johnson, Betty Briggs, Jacky Armstrong, June Barnsley and the Woulfe Family.

**Please pray** for the repose of the soul of **Maureen Cairns** and **Norman Peffers** who died recently. May they rest in peace. Maureen's Requiem Mass will be held on **Mon 15 January, 12.30pm** at St Mary's church.

**Anniversaries:** Lesley Hanratty, Frances Robson, William Raynalds, Monica Nugent, Violet Collins, Ken Statham,

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion** parents meet in St Mary's Church Hall this **Thurs 11 January 7-8pm**. **The Children meet with the catechists** this Sun. 14 Jan 9.50am-12noon in the church hall.

**White Flower Appeal.** – The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal **next weekend (14 Jan)**. SPUC is campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. Please be generous as you can help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and their mothers, and to stop abortion getting even worse in this country by decriminalisation.

**Peace Sunday** will be celebrated on **14 January**. Envelopes are available for those who wish to support the work of Pax Christi. They can be returned the following Sunday.

**Christmas Collections** – money raised at the Christmas masses will be donated to Homeless Charities. If anyone has any suggestions for 'suitable' charities, please let Allan Muir know.

**Pilates Classes** – are you feeling 'unfit' after all the Christmas festivities? Never tried Pilates? Why not come along to the weekly Pilates classes re-starting in St Mary's Hall on **Tues 16 Jan at 6.30pm**. Exercises that suit all ages and abilities. **Booking essential**. Please see poster for full information and contact details.

**Readers for St Oswins** - If anyone wishes to join the readers (or withdraw from the list) at St Oswins (Sundays or weekdays), please contact Margaret Stephenson, at email: [geofmargstep@virginmedia.com](mailto:geofmargstep@virginmedia.com) or Tel 257 3979. Training required

**Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress "Adoremus" - Liverpool 2018** - The Bishops of England and Wales will hold a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool on **Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2018**. All parishioners, especially Eucharistic Ministers are welcome to attend. Please let Fr Martin know if you are interested.

**Partnership of Tynemouth Priory Prayer:**

*God of all Creation, You have constantly poured out your Spirit upon our Diocese and kindled here a light which has spread throughout the world.  
Lord Jesus, you gathered disciples to yourself to learn from you and to model their lives on you. Your Holy Spirit empowered them to continue your work in the world.  
Come upon us, Holy Spirit, deepen the faith you invite us to share and inspire us to become faithful witnesses. As we begin to develop our partnerships, help each one of us to use the gifts you give us to nurture one another, to serve the world and to live in harmony with the whole of creation. All of this we ask in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen*

## 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?**