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The Epiphany of the Lord - 6th January 2019

SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	6 th	Epiphany of the Lord	St O	9.30am	People of the Parish	Is 60: 1-6, Eph 3: 2-6 Matt 2: 1-12
			St M	11.00am	Bernadette Joyce (SD)	
Mon	7 th	Weekday after Epiphany	St M	12.30am	Requiem Mass: Veronica McLaughlin	
Tue	8 th	Weekday after Epiphany	St O	9.30am	Service of Word & Communion	1 John 4: 7-10, Mark 6: 34-44
Wed	9 th	Weekday after Epiphany	St O	9.30am	Lesley Hanratty (BH)	1 John 4: 11-18, Mark 6: 45-52
Thu	10 th	Weekday after Epiphany	St M	9.30am	Class Mass: Year 2 / Miguel Marin (CC)	
				12.00pm	Requiem Mass: May Cassidy	
Fri	11 th	Weekday after Epiphany	St O	9.30am	Celebrant's Intention	1 John 5: 5-13, Luke 5: 12-16
Sat	12 th	St Benet Biscop	St O	9.30am	Thanksgiving for New Baby (GR)	Micah 6: 6-8, Luke 9: 57-62
Sun	13 th	Baptism of the Lord	St O	9.30am	Bill Jackson (MJ)	Is 40: 1-11, Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7 Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22
			St M	11.00am	People of the Parish	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 10.00-10.15am at St Oswin's and *available on request*
 (Rosary at St Oswin (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: New list available. Names need to be re-signed.

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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **VERA McLAUGHLIN, MAY CASSIDY and LAWRENCE JAMES GOVEAS** who died recently. May they rest in peace.

White Flower Appeal. – The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal **next weekend (13 Jan)**. SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn babies and their mothers in decades. 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.

Christmas Collection: Many thanks for your generosity. The money raised was **£2,490** which will be donated to local Homeless Charities.

Christmas Card Box offerings collected **£38** which will be donated to Friends of the Holy Land. Thanks to all those who donated.

Northern Catholic Calendars 2019 – are now on sale, at back of Church price £3.

Please collect your used stamps for the Foreign Missions and place them in the box in the porch at St Mary's Church.

The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has the following vacancies:

Health & Safety Officer at Diocesan Offices
 Administrator at Washington and Birtley
 Administrator for Safeguarding at Diocesan Offices.
Full details on Poster on the Noticeboard.

Santo Niño Festival 2019 – Filipino Holy Mass, praise and worship, Sinulog Dance presentation and procession and Filipino refreshments on **Sun 20 Jan from 2pm-5pm** at St Teresa of the Infant Jesus Catholic Church, Heaton Road, NE6 5HN. All welcome.

Holocaust Memorial Evening: will be on **Tues 29 Jan at 7pm** at St Mary's Catholic School, Benton Park Road NE7 7PE.

Last notes.....

The first to APOLOGISE is the BRAVEST
The first to FORGIVE is the STRONGEST
The first to FORGET is the HAPPIEST....

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?