



**The Epiphany of Our Lord
5 January 2025
8am & 10am
(Presider at 10am: Fr Luke Hopkins)**

Christ Church Mass – Philip Matthias (b. 1954) TIS 757

*Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne.
Thank you for joining us in worship.
Please join in saying the text marked in **bold**
and joining in the music.*

Prelude

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

We celebrate Epiphany on Epiphany Eve this year, as the feast is tomorrow, 6 January. Epiphany in the Greek and Eastern Orthodox Churches is the main celebration of Christmas. It celebrates the coming of the Magi to the infant Jesus, forerunners of the Gentiles. Let us worship God.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN TIS 314

G D C G / C Em D G /
G D C G / C Em D G /
G Em D G / C Am D7 G

1. As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright:
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore your glory see.
2. As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to your lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
one whom heaven and earth adore:
so may we with willing feet
ever seek your mercy seat.
3. As they offered gifts most rare
at your cradle rough and bare:
so may we with holy joy,
pure, and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to you, our heavenly King.
4. Holy Jesus, every day
keep us in the narrow way;
and, when earthly things are past,
bring our ransomed souls at last
where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds your glory hide;
5. in the heavenly country bright
need they no created light:
you its light, its joy, its crown,
you its sun which goes not down.
There for ever may we sing
hallelujahs to our King.

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GREETING

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.


Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie 2



Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy.

Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

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CONFESSION

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

GLORIA

Gloria 2

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for_ your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, _ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One: you a - lone are the Lord: you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the_ glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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COLLECT

Everlasting God, who brought the nations to your light and rulers to the brightness of your rising: fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Please be seated

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth and thick darkness the peoples, but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over

you. Nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together; they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried in their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you; the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD. *(Isaiah 60:1-6)*
For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 72, PSALTER 65B

Response: All Kings shall bow down before you; all nations shall do you service.

1. Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;
2. That he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice; *Response*
3. That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the little hills bring righteousness.
4. He shall defend the needy among the people;
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. *Response*
5. He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
6. He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth. *Response*
7. In his time shall the righteous flourish;
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
8. He shall rule from sea to sea,
and from the river to the ends of the earth. *Response*

9. For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress,
and the oppressed who has no helper.
10. May his name remain forever and be established as long as the sun
endures;
may all the nations bless themselves in him and call him blessed.

Response

11. Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous deeds!

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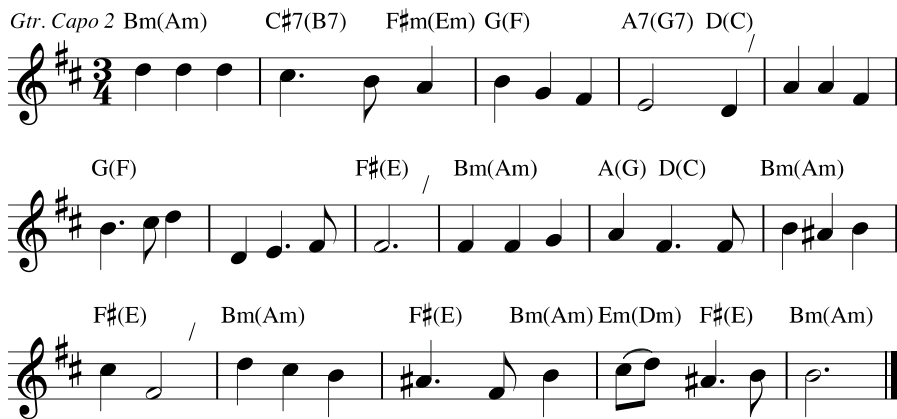
SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians:

This is the reason that I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you gentiles, for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access in boldness and confidence through faith in him. *(Ephesians 3:1-12)*

For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL HYMN TIS 310

Gr. Capo 2 Bm(Am) C#7(B7) F#m(Em) G(F) A7(G7) D(C)


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| <p>1. Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
 dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid:
 star of the east, the horizon adorning,
 guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.</p> <p>2. Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining,
 low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
 angels adore him in slumber reclining,
 Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.</p> <p>3. Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
 odours of Edom and offerings divine?</p> | <p>gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
 myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?</p> <p>4. Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
 vainly with gifts would his favour secure:
 richer by far is the heart's adoration,
 dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.</p> <p>5. Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
 dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid:
 star of the east, the horizon adorning,
 guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.</p> |
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GOSPEL READING

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Alleluia, **Alleluia**

The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi from the east came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star in the east and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him, and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it has been written by the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah, for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.' Then Herod secretly called for the magi and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out, and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen in the east, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

(Matthew 2:1-12)

For the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

Please be seated

CREED

Please stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Please sit or kneel

After each section:

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We are the body of Christ: **His Spirit is with us.**

The Peace of Christ be always with you: **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 454



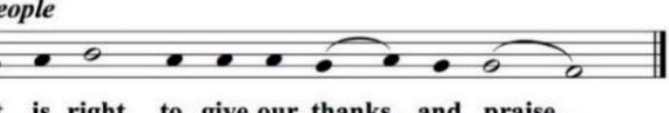
1. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name.
2. Low at his feet lay your burden of carefulness,
high on his heart he will bear it for you,
comfort your sorrows, and answer your prayerfulness,
guiding your steps in the way best for you.
3. Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth you would reckon to own:
truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to bring to his throne.
4. These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear,
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.
5. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

... **Blessèd be God for ever.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>The Lord be with you.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>And also with you.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Lift up your hearts.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>We lift them to the Lord.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</p>

All glory and honour ...

... for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus 2



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Benedictus



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Merciful God, we thank you ...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Acclamation

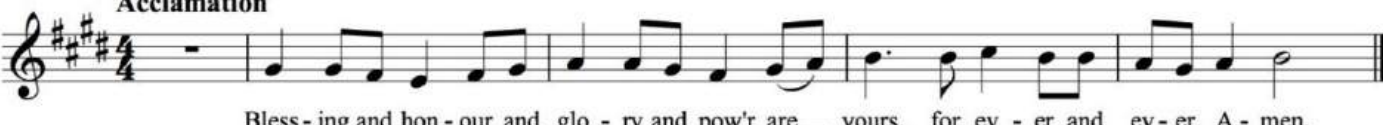


Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Therefore we do ...

... in songs of never-ending praise:

Acclamation



Bless-ing and hon-our and glo-ry and pow'r are yours, for ever and ever. A - men.

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LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF BREAD

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread:

So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei 2



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

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COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Father,

we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

FINAL HYMN TIS 301

D A G D
 Bm A D A7 D Bm
 A G D Bm A
 D A7 D Refrain Bm A G
 No - well, no - well, no - well, no -
 D Bm A D A7 D
 - well, born is the King of Is - ra - el.

1. The first nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in
fields as they lay,
in fields where they lay keeping
their sheep
on a cold winter's night that was
so deep. *Response*
2. When they looked up they saw a
star
shining in the east, beyond them
far,
and to the earth it gave great light
and so it continued both day and
night. *Response*
3. And by the light of that same star
three wise men came from country
far;
to seek for a king was their intent,
and to follow the star wherever it
went. *Response*
4. This star drew nigh to the north-
west;
over Bethlehem it took its rest,
and there it did both stop and stay
right over the place where Jesus
lay. *Response*
5. Then entered in those wise men
three
and reverently, upon their knee,
they offered there in his presence
their gold and myrrh and
frankincense. *Response*
6. Now let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
who has made heaven and earth
from naught,
and with his blood salvation
brought. *Response*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

*Immediately after the service will be a blessing of chalk for Epiphany.
The service will be followed by a BBQ to which all are welcome.*

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need, including Fr Shane, Barbara, Martin, Dawn, Joel McNae & family, Daisy, Suzanne, Elsdon, Michael, Joe, Peter, Wheeler family, and Isaiah. Pray also for those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: John Gregory, Henry Wallace (Billy) Judd, Alice Maude Sophia Forster and June Amelia Rowe. If there is a name to be included, please email

office@stmarys.org.au

From Feb 2025, the list will be refreshed. Names will be listed for 1 month unless otherwise specified.

Morning Prayer held on Mond/Wed/Fri, 8.30am. Click the link below

<https://bit.ly/49910N4> Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706

Weekday Eucharist will ****RESUME ON THURS 2 FEB 2025**** at 12pm (no Eucharist for the rest of Dec 2024 and throughout Jan 2025).

Prayer for a New Incumbent:

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

If you would like to be contacted by the Parish, please fill in your details, tear this section & drop it in the office mailbox on Queensberry Street:

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St Mary's Parish Notices

- Epiphany BBQ Lunch following the 10am Eucharist on TODAY! Sun 5 Jan 2025. BYO meat, drinks and drums 😊 it will be outside if the weather permits.
- Cantus temporum 'The Music of the Clock' presented by UoM Faculty of Fine Arts & Music will be held on Thurs 16 Jan 2025, 3pm at St Mary's Church. Vocal concert exploring melodies of musical clocks, entry by donation.
- Thursday Group & ImPermanence Productions will run theatre workshops across Jan & Feb 2025 at St Mary's Hall. For details [#1 Weekly Training | Jan - Feb 2025 — ButohOUT!](#) as well as <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1253834>
- Thank you for your food donations to Anglicare Victoria/St Mark's Community Care. For tax deductible donations please visit <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/> - 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' - 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'.
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St Mary's Roster

	Sunday 5 Jan 2025 Epiphany of Our Lord	Sunday 12 Jan 2025 Baptism of Our Lord
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	Andrew McKinley
10:00am Readers	Andrea O'Donoghue Anne Sunderland (C)	Katie Holmes Robert Gribben
Serving Team	Anne Sunderland Peter O'Donoghue	Peter O'Donoghue Anne Sunderland (C)
Welcome	Alice Christofi (C)	Sam Miller
Introduction & Intercession	Alice Christofi	Andrew Gador-Whyte
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Geoff Jenkins
Kids Corner & Sunday School	School Holidays	School Holidays
Morning Tea	Susan Gribben Marion Poynter	Helen McCallum David Keuneman

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