



# Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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## The Epiphany of the Lord | Year C | 5 January 2025

### *New Year Message to the Canberra Inner North Catholic Community*

*As we step into the New Year, let us first pause to thank God for the many blessings received throughout 2024. This year has been one of growth and transformation as we embraced the challenges of bringing together our four parishes into a shared community of faith. Through it all, we have witnessed God's grace at work, guiding us and strengthening our resolve.*

*To the entire Inner North community, I express my deepest gratitude for your participation, cooperation, and the generous gift of yourselves. Your openness to this journey has been a powerful testament to the unity and strength we find in Christ. Moreover, your commitment to building a vibrant and unified parish family has been an inspiring witness to God's love at work among us. As we look to 2025, we invoke God, the Source of all blessings, asking for His guidance and strength as we face the opportunities and challenges ahead. May He inspire us to continue working for the common good, fostering unity, and sharing His light with the world*

*as a community rooted in faith, hope, and love.*

*Let us walk this new path together, trusting in the Lord's providence and seeking His wisdom in all we do. Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed and joyful New Year.*

*With gratitude and prayers,  
 Fr. Anthony "Thonn" C. Riosa, SSS, CINCC Moderator*

### MASS & RECONCILIATION TIMETABLE week ending 12 January

	Blackfriars, Watson	St Brigid's, Dickson	St Joseph's, O'Connor	St Patricks, Braddon	St Thomas More, Campbell
<b>Mass</b>					
<b>Sunday</b>	10.00am 5.00pm	9.30am	8.30am With Children's Liturgy	8.00am	10.00am
Tuesday to Thursday	5.30pm	9.00am	9.15am	12.30pm	
Friday	5.30pm	9.00am	9.15am	12.30pm	-
Saturday	5.00pm (vigil)	9.00am 6.00pm (vigil)	8.30am 6.00pm (vigil)		
<b>Reconciliation</b>					
Friday			8.15 - 9.00am - during Holy Hour	12.00 - 12.30pm	
Saturday	4.00 - 4.30pm	9.30 - 10.00am 5.30 - 5.50pm	5.15 - 5.45pm		

**Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Mal 3: 1; 1 Chr 29: 12**

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;  
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

**First Reading - Isaiah 60:1-6**

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 awning  
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(72):1-2,7-8,10-13**

*R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.*

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.

*R.*

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.

*R.*

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 prostrate,  
all nations shall serve him.

*R.*

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.

*R.*

**Second Reading - Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6**

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 Jesus Christ, through the gospel.

**Gospel Acclamation - Matthew 2:2**

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East;  
and have come to adore the Lord.

Alleluia!

**Gospel Matthew 2:1-12**

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.

**Communion Antiphon Cf. Mt 2: 2**

We have seen his star in the East,  
and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

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