

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

6th January 2013

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The Magi (6th century mosaic)

Noticeboard

Sunday Masses: Vigil Mass, Saturday, 6 p.m.
Sunday Morning Mass, 10.30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: 10.15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 9.45 to 10 a.m.
4 to 4.30 p.m.
5.30 to 5.50 p.m.

This week's Masses are the Masses of the Christmas season, which ends next Sunday, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Thereafter we enter Ordinary Time.

This Solemnity of the Epiphany is, of course, the traditional "Twelfth Day" of Christmas. At the heart of all that surrounds this Feast is a simple message: Christ was born to be the Saviour not only of Israel but of all the nations.

Fr Joseph will be leaving for home before Mass on Monday morning. He has enjoyed a restful time here and has appreciated the warm welcome given him as always at St. Mary's. He thanks you most sincerely for your kindness and wishes you every blessing in the New Year.

We pray for our Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Grace MacKinnon, Neil Gillies, Kate MacDougall, Tony McHugh, Kathleen Slattery, Bella McHugh, Bernard Dougan, Catherine Kearney, David MacPherson and Patricia MacGrail.** May the Shepherd King born for us in Bethlehem lead them home. **Margaret Pryce** (MacFarlane) was laid to rest in Australia this Saturday. Mass was offered on that day in St. Mary's for her eternal peace. We keep Louise, Peter and Catherine in our prayers.

The time to donate to the **Crib collection** is coming to a close. Please take the opportunity to help our children support the Missions!

The annual **Justice and Peace** collection will take place next Sunday. Whatever you can give in this post-Christmas period is indeed appreciated.

Potpourri

By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is noblest; Second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest. (Confucius)

Wisdom begins in wonder. (Socrates)

There is a wisdom of the head, and a wisdom of the heart. (Charles Dickens)

The young man knows the rules, but the old man knows the exceptions. (Oliver Wendell Holmes)

The doorstep to the temple of wisdom is a knowledge of our own ignorance. (Benjamin Franklin)

Too clever is dumb. (Ogden Nash)

The whole problem with the world is that fools and fanatics are always so certain of themselves, but wiser people so full of doubts. (Bertrand Russell)

You can tell whether a man is clever by his answers. You can tell whether a man is wise by his questions. (Naguib Mahfouz)

Arrogance diminishes wisdom. (Arab Proverb)

Parents were invented to make children happy by giving them something to ignore. (Ogden Nash)

It's the simple things in life that are the most extraordinary; only wise men are able to understand them. (Paulo Coelho)

Turn your wounds into wisdom. (Oprah Winfrey)

A short bulletin this week!