The Epiphany of the Lord

8th January 2023



The Adoration of the Magi by Sir Edward Burne-Jones. Displayed at the AGSA.

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That child, born in Bethlehem of the Virgin Mary, came not only for the people of Israel, represented by the shepherds of Bethlehem, but also for all humanity, represented today by the wise men from the East. It is on the Magi and their journey in search of the Messiah that the Church today invites us to meditate and pray.

These wise men from the East were the first in that great procession of which the prophet Isaiah spoke in today's first reading (cf. 60:1-6): a procession which from that time on has continued uninterrupted; in every age it hears the message of the star and finds the Child who reveals the tenderness of God. New persons are always being enlightened by that star; they find the way and come into his presence.

According to tradition, the wise men were sages, watchers of the constellations, observers of the heavens, in a cultural and religious context which saw the stars as having significance and power over human affairs. The wise men represent men and women who seek God in the world's religions and philosophies: an unending quest. Men and women who seek God.

Along the way, the wise men encountered many difficulties. Once they reached Jerusalem, they went to the palace of the king, for they thought it obvious that the new king would be born in the royal palace.

They resume their journey, and once more they see the star; the evangelist says that they "rejoiced exceedingly" (Mt 2:10). Coming to Bethlehem, they found "the child with Mary his mother" (Mt 2:11). After that of Jerusalem, this was their second great temptation: to reject this smallness. But instead, "they fell down and worshiped him", offering him their precious symbolic gifts. God's love is great. God's love is powerful. But the love of God is humble, yes, very humble. The wise men are thus models of conversion to the true faith, since they believed more in the goodness of God than in the apparent splendour of power.

The wise men entered into the mystery. They passed from human calculations to the mystery: this was their conversion. And our own? Let us ask the Lord to let us undergo that same journey of conversion experienced by the wise men.

(Pope Francis' homilies)

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Regular Mass Timings

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St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Adelaide

Sunday Masses

Sat: 6pm(Vigil) Sun: 7am, 9am, 11am, 2.30pm (African), 6pm

Weekday Masses

Mon - Fri: 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm

Sat: 8am, 11.30am

Confessions

Mon, Wed, Fri: 11-12 noon, 5-5.30pm Sat: 12 noon-1pm, 4.30-5.30pm

Holy Hour

Tues: 6.30pm, Fri: 11am

Public Holidays 8am Mass ONLY at the Cathedral

St Mary's, Lower North Adelaide

Tues and Fri: 8am Sun: 9.30am

Our Lady Queen of Angels, Thebarton

Wed: 8.30am (Mass suspended until further notice)

Sat: Confessions: 5.45pm | Vigil: 6pm

Sun: 9.30am

St John Vianney, Burnside

Tues and Thu: Mass: 9am | Confessions: 9.30am

Sun: 9am

St Peter Claver, Dulwich

Wed: 9am, Fri: 11am Confessions: 11.30am Sat: Confessions: 5.30pm | Vigil: 6pm

Sun: 11am

Holy Name, Stepney

Sun: 11am

St. Patrick, Grote Street, Adelaide

Sun: 10.30am (Croatian)

4.00pm (Portuguese) ONLY 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Kangaroo Island

Sun: Confessions: 9:00 am | Mass: 9.30 am

Please contact the Parish Office for Baptism & Wedding bookings.

WORSHIP

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

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, every nation on earth will adore

you.

Second Reading: Ephesians: 3:2-3, 7-8, 10-13

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: We have seen his star in the East;

and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Next Week: 15th Jan: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-13

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Liturgies & Activities (9th - 14th Jan)

Mon The Baptism of the Lord

Thu St Aelred Fri St Hilary

Sun 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Fr Peter Fountain.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Mari Das Chinnappa, George Fernandez, Lena Sabellico, Leonor & Emilio Solorzano and Vicente and Vincente-Emilio Bassano

Queen of Angels: lelasi family (Antonio, Rosario & Caterina), Saverio & Anna Sergi, Sue Tripodi, Antonio Perre, Joe Mittiga and Belmonte family.

St. Mary's: Peter Francis Brynes, Anthony Kelly and James Robertson.

Holy Name: Giuseppe Leonello, Giuseppe Iasiello,

St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver: John Dinan, Mary Jordan, Jean Murray, Barbara Shield, Lorna Fyfe, Gertrude Berger, Bart Schulz, Annie O' Sullivan, Jack & Nan Walsh, Patricia Osborne, Mildred Leake, Gerald Laurence, Mary Fiddock, Wellman family, Theresa Du Moulin, Evelyn Smith, Barbara Shield and Dominic Hill.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

Maryellen, June Cochrane, Kuranye Owen, Anton Sylvester, Antonio Romeo, Teresita Agravante, Angelina Musico, Amy Lopez, Julie Nelson, Elijah Oleta, Agnes Msgr. Robert Egar, Richard Murphy, Charles Dias, Diana, Klevis Gjeluci, Emily Swan, Vilma D'cruz, Joshua Jose, Janet Gracey and Patricia Holdcroft.

Dear parishioners, families and friends,

Speaking for the first time since the death of his predecessor, Pope Francis in his homily remembered Benedict XVI. Pope Francis recalled his predecessor's great kindness and witness of prayer. "Speaking of kindness," he said, "at this moment, my thought naturally goes to dear Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI who left us this morning. We are moved as we recall him, such a noble person, so kind. And we feel such gratitude in our hearts: gratitude to God for having given him to the Church and to the world; gratitude to him for all the good he accomplished, and above all, for his witness of faith and prayer, especially in these last years of his recollected life. Only God knows the value and the power of his intercession, of the sacrifices he offered for the good of the Church."

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote, "Quite soon, I shall find myself before the final judge of my life.

Even though, as I look back on my long life, I can have great reason for fear and trembling, I am nonetheless of good cheer, for I trust firmly that the Lord is not only the just judge, but also the friend and brother who himself has already suffered for my shortcomings, and is thus also my advocate, my "Paraclete." In light of the hour of judgement, the grace of being a Christian becomes all the more clear to me. It grants me knowledge, and indeed friendship, with the judge of my life, and thus allows me to pass confidently through the dark door of death."

"Eternal life will be like "immersing yourself in the ocean of infinite love where time -- a before and an after -- no longer exists. Fullness of life and joy: This is what we hope for and expect from our being with Christ." Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

At the General audience, October 3, 2021, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said, "The liturgy is not the memory of past events but is the living presence of the paschal mystery of Christ, who transcends and unites times and places. The conviction must grow within us every day that the liturgy is not our or my 'doing' but rather is an action of God in us and with us."

"Jesus, ich liebe dich!" Jesus, I love you. These were the final words that Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI uttered before he died, a powerful final expression of love and faith.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM.

No Holy Hour in January

Holy Hour held in the Cathedral on Tuesdays after the 5.45 pm Mass has been suspended for the month of January. Holy Hour will return to its normal schedule in February. The inconvenience caused is deeply regretted.

Clergy Appointments in the Parish

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan has released the clergy appointments for this year. Based on the announcement, the parish would like to welcome, Fr Matthew Newman to the Adelaide Cathedral Parish as Assistant Priest. We also bid farewell to Fr Anthony Beltrame who will now be an Assistant Priest at the Hectorville Parish. We wish them both blessings in their ministry.

Road Closures in January 2023 and Changes to Mass Schedule at the Cathedral

There will be road closures around Victoria Square and Wakefield Street during the month of January due to the Santos Down Under Tour. The days that directly affect services at the St Francis Xavier's Cathedral are 14th and 21st January 2023. Visit: https://tourdownunder.com.au/about/road-closures for details on which roads will be blocked off/closed and plan your travel to the Cathedral accordingly. There will also be changes to Mass times on the above dates as follows:

14 January - SFX Cathedral

- No Mass at 8 am, 11.30 am and 12noon confessions.
- 4.30pm Confessions and 6pm Vigil to be held at St Patrick's Church, Grote Street, Adelaide.

The Cathedral will also be closed to the public on this day.

21st January - SFX Cathedral

- Mass at 8am, 11.30 am and 12 noon confessions
- 4.30pm Confessions and 6pm Vigil to be held at St Patrick's Church, Grote Street, Adelaide.

Post 3pm, the Cathedral will be closed to the public.

Retirement of the Dulwich-Burnside Choir

After some thirty years of enriching the sacrifice of the Mass at St John Vianney and St Peter Claver Churches as well as weddings and funerals, our Choirmaster and organist, Hugh Cunningham, has announced his retirement effective 8 January 2023. Along with Hugh's retirement the current members of the choir have also decided to retire.

As a community we sincerely thank them all for their wonderful contribution to our services over such a long period of time and wish them many blessings in their retirement.

A farewell morning tea will be held for Hugh and the choir at St John Vianney Church following the 9 am Mass on Sunday 8 January.

1 Feb: Sr Nathalie Becquart in Adelaide

Sr. Nathalie Becquart, the Undersecretary for the General Synod in the Vatican responsible for the organisation of the 2023-24 Global Synod on Synodality, will be in Adelaide on 1 February 2023, as part of a visit to Australia/Oceania. You are invited to Sr Nathalie's presentation on synodality and mission at the Grange Golf Course from 5.30-8.30pm. Prior registration is essential at www.trybooking.com/CEUOA by 27 January 2023. Visit www.adelaidediocesanassembly.org for more information.

Latin Mass Community

The youth activity days are this week. Please take a flyer for more details.

If you would like your house blessed during the season of the Epiphany, please let either Fr McCaffrey of Fr Sofatzis know. Blessed chalk and instruction sheets are also be available at the back of the church for you to do this yourself should you choose to do so.

Welcome to new parishioners. If you are new to the Latin Mass or new to Holy Name, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself to either Fr McCaffrey or Fr Sofatzis after Mass. There is a cuppa after the 9.15am mass every Sunday in the tea room behind the church diagonally across the car park. All welcome. Also please feel free to register as a parishioner on our community census. The link is available on the website.

Please do not place any advertising material in the church without the prior permission of the chaplain. Thank you.

Please remember the sick in your prayers, especially Bill Mamo (Tina Marsh's brother), Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Luise Obrist (Gaby Freer's mother), Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please also remember the recently deceased, especially Pat Vice, and also those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

19 Feb: Organ Concert in the Cathedral

On Sunday 19 February at 1pm, Cathedral Organist, James Lloyd, will give a free concert featuring well-loved hymns played on the Cathedral's magnificent Casavant Frères pipe organ to which you are warmly invited to both attend and join in singing. James is the regular organist at the St Francis Xavier Cathedral's 11am Sunday Solemn Mass and his vibrant and effusive style has pleased Mass-goers for many years.

The concert is part of the 2023 Fringe organ recitals program at the Cathedral.

Adelaide Cathedral Parish School-Aged Sacramental Preparation Program

The Adelaide Cathedral parish will be conducting a preparation program in 2023 for the Sacraments of Initiation, including Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Candidates should be at least 8 years old in 2023.

The program will start with an introductory evening on Wednesday 22 February 2022. Parents who would like their child enrolled in this program or need further information should contact the Parish Office on 08 8210 8155 or acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au

If your child requires the sacrament of baptism, you will need to arrange an appointment to meet Fr. Anthoni Adimai, our parish administrator, before they can be enrolled in any other preparation program.

COVID-19 Protocols Update: 17 June 2022

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of government health protocols. <u>Please stay</u> home and do not attend church services till you have fully recovered. Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- The density requirement has been updated to full capacity in all churches and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks is not mandatory in Church but is strongly recommended by the Archbishop.
 Please carry your own mask if you plan to wear one.
 This includes all religious except when delivering a sermon.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
 Kindly sanitse your hands before entering the church.
- Communion is given only in hands and Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- · Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.

REMINDER:

Cathedral Car Park and Staircase Driveway on the Cathedral lawns and Driveway in the Underground Car park

All pedestrians and parents with baby strollers must use ONLY the carpark staircase when entering and exiting the underground carpark. Using the carpark ramp as a pedestrian walkway or for baby strollers is a major safety hazard. Please avoid doing so.

Please do not double park your vehicle in the underground car park driveway. Blocking the safe entry and exit of vehicles during Weekend Masses and is a major safety hazard. Parking on the driveway of the Cathedral lawns is also prohibited at all times.

Both the driveways (underground car park and on the lawns) must be free for movement of vehicles at all times.

Safeguarding Children

A reminder that all children need to be accompanied to and from the toilet, ideally by an adult family member. Kindly ensure that children are supervised by an adult family member in the carparks at all times.