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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



The wise men represent the Gentile worshipers.

The star can also symbolise the revelation of God in nature. God can be known and understood in the things the he made.

For though, we cannot see him, we can at least discover him through his works; for he created the world and through his works we

understand him to be eternal and all powerful, and to be God-So they have no excuse (Romans 1: 20)

Creation can lead us to Jesus. But to know him as the Messiah, we must be directed to him by a special revelation: God's word in the Sacred Scriptures.

Like the wise men—we are invited to approach Jesus and pay homage to him. We do this through our participation in the Eucharist and by bringing to him the gifts of our ordinary life.

BISHOP VINCENTS CHRISTMAS PASTORAL LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF PARRAMATTA:

Copies of the Bishops letter are available from the church Foyer.

COVID UPDATE FROM OUR DIOCESE : as at 21 December 2020 until further notice.



At the time of this Bulletin the 4 Sq M rule applies which limits our numbers to approx. 130

WEEKDAY MASS & RECONCILIATION TIMES : NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED BUT WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS ADHERED TO.

TUESDAY EVENING—6PM WEDNESDAY-9.00AM THURSDAY—9.00AM Adoration of the blessed Sacrament after Mass until 10.00am. FRIDAY – 9.00 AM **RECONCILIATION SATURDAY AT 5PM**

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SACRAMENTS

Please contact Parish Office 4735 1041. emuplains@parracatholic.org

R.C.I.A.: The process for adults interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church.

Giving thanks to God for all members of Our Lady of the Way Parish. Your generosity of service, Sharing of your Talents, your financial support and particularly your presence—continues to sustain us in the mission to which God has called each us - to establish

His Kingdom on earth as it is in Heaven!

PLEASE NOTE: PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM CHRISTMAS UNTIL TUESDAY 12TH **JANUARY 2021**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL EXTENDS THEIR APPRECIATION TO OUR PARISHIONERS, OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL AND PENOLA COLLEGE:

The generosity of everyone has exceeded expectations in this very trying time. Those most vulnerable and in need in our community have been looked after. Thank you again and may you be truly blessed this Christmas and throughout the New Year. Barry Harris and the St. Vincent De Paul team.

COMMENTATORS AND READERS: New Rosters are available from the church fover. Thank you to everyone who has offered to be part of this important ministry.

"This is **my** parish! **I'm** part of what it is.

And I'm part of whatever it will next be"

LITURGY AND MULTIMEDIA

Building our ministries of liturgy and media technology in the parish.

Some areas you may be interested in are: Music groups, reader, commentators, acolytes, Eucharistic Minister, Church Wardens, Welcomers, Children's Mass, Liturgical Ministry training, hospitality welcomers, prepare and maintain lists of ministries, parishioners contact details, preparation for Liturgical seasons, Parish website & blog, Facebook, livestreaming, digital skilling and preparation of mass visuals.

the epiphany pilgrimage: This pilgrimage was cancelled last year due to the bush fires. This year it is a restricted pilgrimage due to Covid 19. The pilgrims commenced their journey from Our Lady of the Way with Mass at 8.30am this Saturday morning. We were honoured to offer the pilgrims our hospitality hosting a morning tea after Mass. The pilgrims journey on with our prayer petitions through the various mountain parishes to their final destination to the Chapel of the Magi at Bell on the 8th January. Please keep our pilgrims in your prayers as they will keep us in their prayers.



ROSARY: Everyone is invited to pray The Rosary which will be said prior to the 9am weekday Masses commencing at 8.30am—contact Chrissy at the Parish Office 4735 1041 for more information.

Please pray for those who are sick in our community.

Grace Perry, Kevin Rose, Karen Gulliksen, Harry Beasley, Maddison Farrugia, Leone Kirton Vicki Wells, Mark Simmonds, Max Scott, Anita Glynn, Libby Lawson, Paul Dalton, Shirley &Les Coburn, Michelle Gardam, Jacqui Walker, Mary Berkout, Patricia Knoke, Brian Payne, Mervin McCaster, Marie Mahoney, Jeffrey Ridley, Michael Mercieca, Carmen Smith, Beryl Page, Frances Payne, Val Smith, Barbara Grant, Gregory Clare, Judy Chesters, Angela Lonergan, Emma Woods, Brian O'Hara, Bruce Gillett, Ray Dukes, Barbara Grant, Mavis Thompson, Nathalie Dhyon, Pam & Mike Sayer, Terry Simpkin, Nicole Unsal, John Von Schomburg, Debra Gleeson, Paul Ziberras, Ken Ridley, Joseph Stipich, Joyce Dukes, Tyler Kennedy, Catalina Labra—Knox, Teresa & Larry Dunn & Graham and Christine Hall.