



# ST RAPHAEL'S PARISH

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## MASSES-Weekends:

**Saturday:** 9:00 am, 6:00 pm (vigil),

**Sunday:** 9:00 am (Italian), 10:30 am

## Weekdays:

**Tues:** 4pm, **Wed, Thurs, Fri:** 8:30 am

## Please note:

**There will be NO Tuesday 4pm Masses in January**

**From 4 January, Wednesday Masses will also be at 4pm**



**Face masks are optional and are recommended.**

Let us protect our parish community together.

## LIVE STREAMING of MASS

**Sunday 10:30am Mass** is live streamed from St Raphael's Church and will be available for live viewing or downloading afterwards on:

<https://bit.ly/StRaphaelsMass>

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** 1st Friday of every month, the next one being Friday 6 January 2023 at the 8:30am Mass.

**LIVING GOSPEL PRAYER GROUP (LGPG):** Resumes February 2023.

**ADORATION:** Every Friday - 9am to 11am

**BAPTISMS:** please contact parish to arrange. Baptisms normally take place following the 10:30am parish Mass each Sunday.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 9:30am.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

The parish office is attended by volunteer staff on Tuesdays and Thursdays. You may contact the office at any time and leave a message on **9470 2586** and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

## Parish Bulletins

The current Parish bulletin can be viewed on the parish website:  
[www.straphaelswestpreston.org.au](http://www.straphaelswestpreston.org.au)

Bulletin printed: Thursday - 6/1/2023

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

## The Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday 8 January 2023

	Saturday 6:00PM Mass Ministers of Communion	Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Readers
07-Jan-23	Angela De Fazio	Kinga Harding
14-Jan-23	Amato Puli'uvea	Josephine Knight
21-Jan-23	Nick Cachia	Ashwini Chand

	9:00AM Italian Mass Ministers of Communion	9:00AM Italian Mass Readers
08-Jan-23	Bruna D'Alessandro Carmela Molinaro	Anna Sisinni
15-Jan-23	Carmel Colosimo Carmela Molinaro	Melinda Di Prospero
22-Jan-23	Bruna D'Alessandro Carmel Colosimo	Maria Sanciole-Bell

	10:30AM Mass Ministers of Communion	10:30AM Mass Readers
08-Jan-23	Ferenc Cseh Rosetta Macri	Mary Finn
15-Jan-23	Jennifer Singam Parker Maloney	Rosetta Macri
22-Jan-23	Ferenc Cseh Rosetta Macri	Dean La Fontaine

## We pray for the sick:

Giuseppina, Cabrini, Dorothy, Sebastiana, Lina, Marie, Raffaella, Antonietta, Charleez, Claudia, Cesarina, Pauline, Graeme, Patrick, Giuseppe, Luana, Bruna, Gitti, Grace, Keith, Glen, Josephine, Angelina, Peter, Rosa, Chiara, Nancy, Rob, Coradina, Alice, Renato, Stella



## ✠ Solemnities / Feasts / Memorials of the Week ✠

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January The Baptism of the Lord  
 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January (St Aelred)  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January (St Hilary)



Fr Simon concelebrating Kaitlin Thomas' Baptism in Kerala, India.



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;

and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

## PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

*And, striking their breast, they say:*

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

## 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 dawning 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.

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Psalm 71(72):1-2,7-8,10-13**

*The Response Is:*

***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.

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

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.

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

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 fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him.

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

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.

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

## 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.

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

***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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

**APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

**RESPONSE TO PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:** Lord, hear our prayer.

## THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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