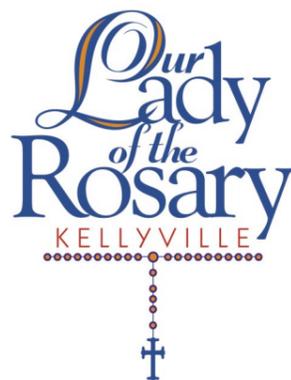


Fr. Alejandro Lopez, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
Fr. Leonides Mateo, OFM Conv., Associate Priest



Under the Pastoral Care of the Conventual Franciscans

Happy Epiphany! Here in Parramatta, we celebrate the Feast on Sunday, 8 January, 2023. It is still part of the Christmas Season. This year, Christmas officially ends at the end of Monday, 9 January, which is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Save the date On 29 January, following the 11am Mass, we will offer a farewell reception for Fr. Alejandro and Fr. Tony in the old hall. Please come to express thanks and share a plate with other parishioners.

Offering Masses for loved ones may be offered through contacting the Parish office. Realise that every Mass offered is offered for everyone, living or deceased or yet to be born. However, a priest celebrates the Mass with a particular intention. Each week we publish the names of the deceased for whom the priest offers his Mass intentions. (See this week's Mass Intentions far right.) For people who are alive the priest's intention for the Mass is mentioned/listed as "Intention of donor." Mass intentions for the year fill up so if you want to offer a Mass for a person, living or deceased, simply click [here](#).

Fr. Alejandro needs your help as he is moving back to the States. He plans to ship around 15 boxes, some containing heavy books. (We really won't know exactly how much it will cost until we weigh each box and are told the rate from the post office. Still we estimate around \$100/box.) If you would like to aid the Kellyville friars by helping defer some of the cost of shipping, simply click [here](#). Any amount over what needed will be left with the Kellyville friars.



Christ's Catholic Community has celebrated 15 years of continuous meetings as a prayer group. Currently the meetings happen via Zoom. Anyone is welcome to join virtually at 7pm on Wednesdays. Contact Joe Apap on 0402 089 555 for more information.

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Fr. David Blowey, OFM Conv., Rector of the Shrine
Fr. Tony Fox, OFM Conv., Priest in residence

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI passed away last Saturday night Australian time. A media release from the ACBC can be found on Catholic Outlook [here](#):



Acolytes, servers, Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (Ems) are invited to serve in the renovated church. If you're available, please click [here](#) or contact the parish office. If you would like to serve in the church in one of the above ministries, please see the next item below.

Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses 2023 Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in February. If you are interested in serving as a Reader, Extraordinary Minister of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Minister at the Altar, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or email [here](#) or visit our website to download an enrolment form [here](#).

Youth Group and Young Adults gatherings will return for more faith, fun and fellowship on the first weekend of February in 2023! In the meantime, join our mailing list by contacting us [here](#), like our Facebook page and follow us on Instagram.

Church Christmas Decorations will come down on Tuesday, 10 January. Are you available? Not much heavy lifting needed. Many hands make light work! Come join the friars in the new church starting at 10am. Shouldn't take more than a couple of hours. Thank you in advance!

Are you interested? We need families or groups of friends to help vacuum and mop the Church on a monthly basis. Please click [here](#) to offer your help. Thanks so much.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Maureen Hinton, Andrew Foley, Tracy Capdor, Giuseppina Rossi, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Peter Prizas, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Ricardo Patane, Michael Dimech, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Arnel Galeng, Andrea Bioco, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Betty Muldoon, Carmelo M Ortea, Josephine Murphy, Floralba Gonzalez, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gularte, Monty Roughe, Garry Robinson, Ona Hobs, Christopher Dean, Charlene Lucre, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Eunice Ally, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Lucy Farrugia, Clement, Joseph Vella, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally, Jacky Charles, Nelson Yupangco, John Killelea, Marija Jukic, Nissaka Gunawardena, Paul Opollito, Myra Fagel, Estella Odtojan, Dolores Carreon, Matthew Nazariat, Negin Safae, Norma Webber.

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Diocesan World Day of the Sick Mass: 11 February 2023 A Mass for the World Day of the Sick, including the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, will be held at 11am on Saturday 11 February 2023 at St Patrick's Church, Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown. All are welcome, including those who may be sick, and those who care for the sick and dying and health care professionals. RSVPs are required by 6 February 2022 [here](#)

Soul Food Podcast – Pastoral Formation. Do you find life and faith inspiration by listening to the experiences of others? Pastoral Formation's Soul Food Podcast features life and faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify [here](#).

Join the Catholic Bushwalking Club The Sydney-based Catholic Bushwalking Club is seeking new members to join their club. Membership is not restricted to Catholics and is open to all who share an interest in bushwalking and the outdoors. Membership offers a choice of graded walks for a variety of fitness levels on most weekends and some on weekdays. To learn more about the Club and to become a member, visit [here](#).

Willoughby Antioch 40 Year Reunion: 21 January Former members are invited to a 40-year reunion on Saturday, 21 January 2023 at St Thomas' Church, Willoughby. For more information and to RSVP, please email [here](#).

Are you new to the Parish? Welcome! Please let us know by clicking [here](#) and we'll send you a census form to enrol your family at OLOR.

Please note: the Parish Office is closed on Mondays.

Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$2,733.90

Donations may be made in the black mailbox at the parish office door.

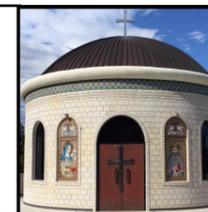
Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](#). "TAP-AND-GO" card devices are at both entrances to the Church and can be used to donate to the parish or the friars.

Fr. Alejandro's updated Wish List for the Renovated Church: Closets for Priest's vestments in the Sacristy - \$18,084; Sacristy cabinets \$13,904; Sacristy island cabinet - \$15,829; 4 pedestals for statues (\$968 each); and repairs to the outdoor statue of St. Francis \$5,500. If you would like to make any of these wishes a reality, please contact the parish office (see bottom left). Thank you in advance!

FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Fr. David Blowey, OFM Conv., Rector

Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.



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REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES
Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm
Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am
Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am
(and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)
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10-10.30am on Saturdays
7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays
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Mass Intentions: 7 - 14 Jan 2021		
Sat. 7	9.30am 6pm	Zobeil Capdor Intention of donor
Sun. 8	7am 9am 11am 6pm	Giovanni La Rosa Jenna Fulop and family Frank Comito <i>PRO POPULO</i>
Mon. 9	8am 7pm	Intention of donor Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland and Sam Bugeja
Tues. 10	6.45am 7pm	Edo Iori Intention of donor
Wed. 11	6.45am 9.30am	Edo Iori Olivia Therese
Thur. 12	6.45am 9.30am	Edo Iori Elia Palumbo
Fri. 13	6.45am 9.30am	Al Holzer Jacquelin Capdor
Sat. 14	9.30am 6pm	Anthony Zoccoli <i>PRO POPULO</i>

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For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message

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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.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

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.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Look with favour, Lord, we pray, on these gifts of your Church, in which are offered now not gold or frankincense or myrrh, but he who by them is proclaimed, sacrificed and received, Jesus Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

cf. Mt 2:2

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord, always and everywhere, that we may perceive with clear sight and revere with true affection

the mystery in which you have willed us to participate. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

QUEST FOR TRUTH

Truth, like greatness, can come to us in a variety of ways. Some search for it and others have it thrust upon them. What brought the wise men from afar on such a journey of great adventure, risk and discovery? They were indeed people seeking the truth, and even more importantly, they were open to the new and unexpected ways in which that truth came to them. As they brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, the vision of that great prophet Isaiah is fulfilled. He knew that the call that Israel had received was one destined to be shared by all humanity, united in its worship of the living God. As a reward for their tireless quest for the truth, the wise men receive the gift of knowledge and understanding. It is not so with Herod. The truth is most unwelcome and is thrust upon him. The message of the astrologers from the East is decidedly unsettling for Herod: if this child is the newborn king of the Jews what will be Herod's status in the future?

Paul too has travelled, searched and wrestled with the truth that God wishes to be proclaimed to the world. It is a message that has the power to both liberate and discomfort. Gentiles who accept Jesus now share the same promises and inheritance as the people of Israel. They are part of the same body. Jewish Christians had to deal with the fact that what had been their exclusive privilege was now extended to the Gentiles and that this too was part of God's plan to be graciously accepted.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD / A

8 JANUARY 2023

THEY OFFERED HIM GIFTS. For some Christians the feast of Epiphany is the day on which gifts are exchanged. As we observe the wise men opening their treasures in today's Gospel and offering gifts to Jesus, we can ask: what precious gifts can we offer to Jesus today? We may not have gold, frankincense and myrrh but we have our love, our fidelity, our time. We can give these to Jesus by giving them to those in need.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

cf. Mal 3:1; 1 Chron 19:12

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

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You come in word and in sacrament to strengthen us and make us holy: Christ have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You will come again in glory with salvation for your people: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

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.

COLLECT

P. O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy, that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isa 60:1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

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 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.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

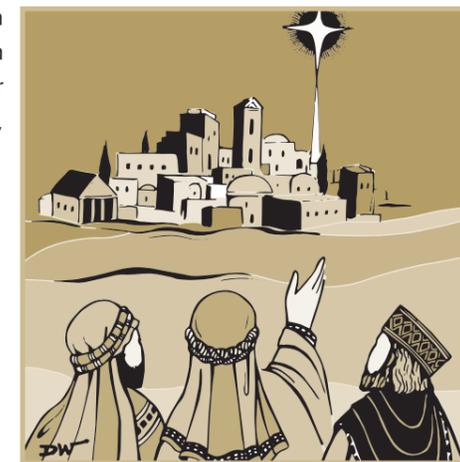
Ps 71:1-2, 7-13 R.v.11

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

1. 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.**

2. 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.**

3. 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. **R.**



4. 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

Eph 3:2-3, 5-6

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

The revelation means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body.

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 Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 2:2

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

GOSPEL

Mt 2:1-12

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

We have come from the East to worship the King. 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