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This Week's Mass Schedule

08/01/2025	**Wednesday**	
	Maryborough	**8:00am**
09/01/2025	**Thursday**	**12.00pm**
10/01/2025	**Friday**	**9:15am**
11/01/2025	**Saturday**	**6:00pm**
12/01/2025	**Sunday**	
	Maryborough	**8:00am**
	Tiaro	**10:00am**

READINGS

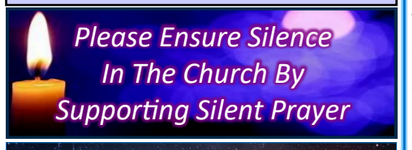
The EPIPHANY of the LORD - Year C (p.145) in St Pauls Missal.

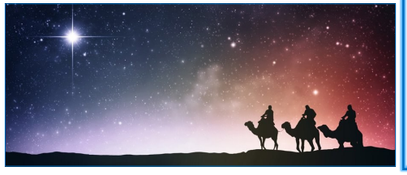
- **1st** - Isaiah 60:1-6
- **Psalm** - 71 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel** - Matthew 2:1-12

Next weekend: The BAPTISM of the LORD - Year C (p.758).

- **1st** - Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
- **Psalm** - 28
- **2nd** - Acts 10:34-38
- **Gospel** - Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm





ST MARY'S MARYBOROUGH

NEWSLETTER 5TH JANUARY 2024
The EPIPHANY of the LORD- Year C

BEHOLD, THE LORD, THE MIGHTY ONE, HAS COME; AND KINGSHIP IS IN HIS GRASP, AND POWER AND DOMINION .

The EPIPHANY of the LORD

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. What does the word Epiphany mean? Epiphany is about the world's coming to know the true identity of Jesus (see CCC, p. 876). This revelation of Jesus's true identity continues throughout Jesus's life through events like his baptism in the Jordan, the miracle at the wedding feast at Cana, and the Transfiguration.

The story of the Epiphany has been embellished over the centuries. In the fifth century, the three kinds of gifts that were given gave birth to the tradition of three wise men. By the eighth century, each wise man had a name: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.

Matthew gives us a couple wonderful insights in this passage. The wise men from the East are well educated; their knowledge takes them on a journey to seek Jesus, but ultimately they have to rely on the wisdom of the sacred Scriptures to find their way to Jesus. Knowledge is important, but the wisdom found in the Scriptures is essential in coming to know and experience God. Once the wise men came upon Jesus, they opened their treasures to assist Jesus in his work in the world. Though we often think of the fragrant qualities of the frankincense and the myrrh, we should also remember that both have medicinal qualities—fine gifts for the healer Jesus was to become. Are we willing to give the best of our personal treasures to develop Jesus's Kingdom on earth?

This Sunday's Gospel is also a story of the different paths to faith. Let's compare the wise men with the shepherds in the Gospel of Luke. The wise men dedicate their entire lives to studying and acquiring knowledge so that when the star appears, they know to follow this significant sign, even though the journey is hard and challenging. When they lose sight of the star near their journey's end, they have to seek further knowledge to finally find Jesus. On the other hand, the shepherds are not educated, but they are faithful to their work and their flocks. They know what their senses tell them, in the way people close to the earth know. So, when the angels appear to them and reveal that the Savior is a short distance away in Bethlehem, the shepherds accept what they hear and go to see for themselves.

For some people, coming to faith in Jesus is a process that includes studying and a long, challenging journey. For others, the journey is short and direct. Both paths are valid ways to come to know and believe in Jesus the Christ.

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Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims Of Hope

Pope Francis opened the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on Christmas Eve, officially beginning the 2025 Jubilee.

For more information, please visit: https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html

The Jubilee Prayer: https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/giubileo-2025/preghiera.html

General Calendar: https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/calendario/calendario-generale.html

Hymn for the Jubilee: https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/giubileo-2025/inno-giubileo-2025.html

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Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

Most Rev Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane

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Safeguarding Prayer

Lord Jesus
May we welcome the kingdom of God anew into our hearts and lives, embracing discipleship and openness to others.

You call us to walk with integrity in the service of others.
May our service be filled with kindness, and respect for all God's people, giving special protection to children and the vulnerable.

May we seek the truth,
Listen to those wounded by abuse, and choose to act with compassion and justice.

Give us the strength,
to serve humbly and faithfully,
and to love one another
as we are so loved by You.
Amen.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

Christmas Offering

Thank you all for the Christmas Offerings over the last weeks. The amount collected will be used for the new sound system in the Church.

FAMILY HISTORY INQUIRIES: We often receive inquiries from those who are working on their Family History or preparing a Family Tree to go through the old parish registers. We are happy to inform you that a previous initiative by Brisbane Archdiocesan Archives already have created a microfiche copy of the old available registers. One could approach The Genealogical Society of Queensland https://www.gsq.org.au/gsq-shop/catholic-parish-registers/ and follow the process to get the transcriptions

Let's Pray:

Join the Archdiocese of Brisbane's Let's Pray series,
a weekly invitation to learn and grow in prayer together.

https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/gods-word/lets-pray/

"We often urge people to pray but don't teach them how… Now is the time to teach mature, all-embracing ways of prayer. Christian prayer begins with listening – even to the silences of God. If we only speak, we 'babble like the pagans' (Matt 6:7). But when we speak after listening to God, we speak with the mind of the Holy Spirit. That's what we must teach and learn. Jesus called the apostles 'that they might be with him' (Mark 3:14). This is where the mission begins: being with Jesus, which is the essence of prayer." - Archbishop Coleridge

St Marys Memorial Garden & Columbarium

If you are interested in ordering a niche or plaque for yourself or for your dear ones, please contact the parish office. Brochure is available at the Parish Website - https://www.stmarysparishmaryborough.com/uploads/1/3/8/6/138621922/columbarium_brochure.pdf

Entrance: Let Heaven Rejoice

Refrain: ***Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;***
let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim through ev'ry land:
"Hosanna to our king."

Sound the trumpet into the night;
The day of the Lord is near.
Wake his people, lift your voice,
Proclaim it to the world.

Rise in splendour; shake off your sleep;
Put on your robes of joy.
And in the morning you shall see
The glory of the Lord.

R.Dufford.
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Psalm Response: (said)

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Gospel Acclamation:

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

Communion:
We Three Kings of Orient Are

We three kings of Orient are,
Bearing gifts we travel afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

Refrain: ***O star of wonder, star of night,***
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to the perfect Light.

Born a babe on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold we bring to crown him again;
King forever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.

Frankincense to offer have I;
Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising gladly raising,
Worshipping God on high.

John H. Hopkins
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Thanksgiving:
O Little Town of Bethlehem.

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in the dark street shineth
The everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God, the King
And peace to men on earth

How silently, how silently
The wondrous Gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven
No ear may hear His coming
But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still
The dear Christ enters in

O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell
Oh, come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel!

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Recessional: Let Heaven Rejoice

Refrain: ***Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;***
let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim through ev'ry land:
"Hosanna to our king."

Sound the trumpet into the night;
The day of the Lord is near.
Wake his people, lift your voice,
Proclaim it to the world.

Nations tremble, wise men amazed
A child is born this night
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God
Our Father, Prince of Peace

Songs of angels,
"Glory on High, And Peace to men on earth.
I bear glad tidings: Born this day,
Your Savior and Your God."

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Alsonso Diaz, Dana Kaarsberg, Kath Clancy, Rita Sempf, Christine Waerner, Jenny Camilleri, Aurora Perez, Bohdan Pastuch, Janet Jackson, Joan Lucas, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys, Carmel Bird, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Graham Johnson.

Anniversary of Death: Zita Hogan, Joseph Hogan, Barry Foot, Alice Bertram, Patrick Berrell, and Peter Mallet.