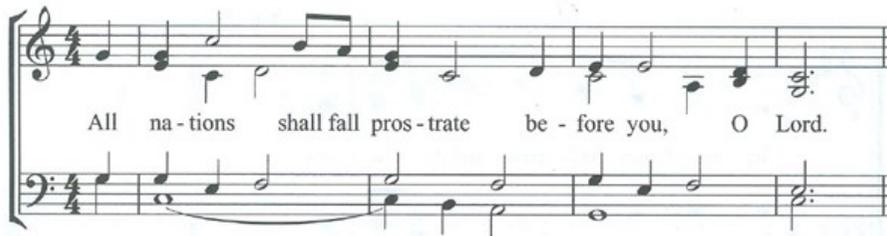


PSALM

Psalm 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–13 Response cf. v. 11

The response is sung first by the cantor, and then by the congregation; thereafter it is sung by the congregation after each verse.

Geoffrey Nobes



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.

Response

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.

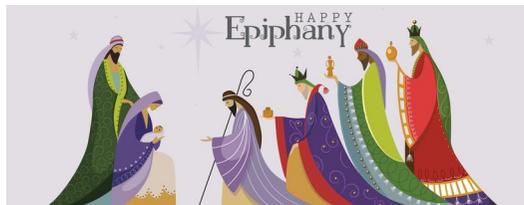
Response

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.

Response

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.

Response



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REFLECTION FOR EPIPHANY

Today is the day we celebrate the arrival of the three wise men, the magi, to Bethlehem.

An important event of the Christmas story, even though only mentioned in the gospel of Matthew. Matthew tells about the visit of the magi, and doesn't mention the shepherds. While Luke tells us about the shepherds visiting, but not the magi. However these two gospels agree about this – the first people to visit the newly-born Messiah were outsiders. Shepherds were outsiders as they were unable to observe the full rigours of the Jewish law due to the nature of their work. The magi were outsiders due to the nature of who they were, they were not Jewish. And yet it is to these God reveals the nature of God.

Epiphany comes from two Greek words meaning 'a shining forth,' or manifestation. This is the first epiphany, an occasion on which something is manifested or revealed about Jesus, which is cited in the gospels.

May we reveal something of Jesus in our lives, in the knowledge that what is sought is present in our midst.

This is how Christmas makes its way out of the stable and into our life.

Wendy

Ngaala kaaditj Noongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja.
We respectfully acknowledge Noongar People as the
original custodians of this land, and their ongoing relationship with it.

PRAYERS Gracious God, we ask for your blessing and healing for all.

In the Diocese we pray for:

Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy, Bishop Jeremy James and Bishop Kate Wilmot and Bishop Christopher Ruto of our partnered Diocese of Eldoret
Our partnered parish St Stephens Aturei, priest Rev Josephat Bett and people

For those in need at this time:

Prayers of comfort, peace, and company for all we know and love who are in need of prayers of love and support. Prayers have been asked for Ann and Arthur Taylor.

Reginald Roberts (1979) and Violet Roberts (2016), Edna Irgin (1985), Arthur Lees (2009), Joyce (Joy) Magee (2015), Marjorie Sharp (2015)

May their portion in paradise be rest and peace.

HYMNS

Loose Sheet
TIS 636
or Gospel acclamation
TIS 316
TIS 314

READINGS

THIS WEEK

Isaiah 60.1-6
Psalm 72.1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 43.1-7
Psalm 29
Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-22

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Notices

EPIPHANY

As we did last year we are gathering under the stars at St George's to toast the arrival of those wise men. Bring food to share, chair, fav drink, and all which makes our time a merry one. **Thursday 6 January anytime from 6pm.** Arrive as your star allows, just like the Magi.

THE LADIES' BREAKFAST is planned for 8am Friday 7 January at Cioccolato, 31 Ardross Street, Applecross. We appear to have the numbers needed to go ahead. Please RSVP Geraldine by end of day on Wednesday 5 January on 9364 4555 or 0417 928 114.

ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU

Anglicans in the Diocese of Perth join with people from Southern Africa and all around the world who mourn his death and thank God for Desmond Tutu's life.

Archbishop Thabo Makgoba reflected in [Archbishop Thabo Makgoba \(anglicanchurchsa.org\)](http://anglicanchurchsa.org)

May he rest in peace and rise in glory

A Requiem Eucharist will be held at St George's Cathedral on **Sunday 2 January 2022 at 5.00pm.**

5th Sunday in January (the 30th)

Our choir will be attending St George's



Our candle remains lit for all affected by the Covid pandemic.

We continue to wear masks as an outward sign of our love for our neighbour. Please use hand sanitiser provided.

IN GRATITUDE

Thank you to those who gathered on a hot day to prepare the outside and inside of St David's. The church looked wonderfully ready.

Thank you to Geraldine and Ann for assisting in the reading of the liturgy.

Thank you to Mary, Helen, Ann and Isabel for preparing all things of the sanctuary.

Thank you to our choirmaster and choir members. They resonated with the song of the angels.

JAMES GEORGE has been placed with us for a two year, fulltime Curacy from the end of February. James will be ordained on the same evening as Peregrin - 24 February - which will be a great occasion for the parish.

BTW - Peregrin has been placed at Midland Parish. He says he is happy to be placed closer to home, though it's not Applecross.