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**SOLEMNITY OF THE
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
4TH JANUARY 2025 TO
12TH JANUARY 2025**

**Welcome to this House
of God:
Talk to God before Mass
Listen to God during Mass
Talk to others after Mass**

**Today's
Mass Readings
Isaiah 60:1-6;
Ps 71;
Ephesians
3:2-3, 5-6;
Matthew 2:1-12**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Contact is Fr. Jibu Mathew. He can be contacted at fr.jibu.mathew@rcaob.org.uk. Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we celebrate the feast of Epiphany which means manifestation. Jesus is revealed to the world. In the Gospel today the wise men who come from the East, looking for the Infant King of the Jews stand for the nations, the Gentiles, coming to Christ. This is one of the themes of this multi-layered feast of the Epiphany. The theme of the nations coming to Jerusalem is an ancient one in the Jewish scriptures, notably in the prophets. We find it in early Isaiah, in Micah, later in Zechariah and today in a later part of Isaiah, our first reading: 'The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness'. They come 'bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord'.

So they come to their goal, going into the house they see 'the child with his mother Mary'. So 'the nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness'. There is no long stay, no discussions to glean new wisdom, this is a new born child with a simple mother. There is just a brief moment of contemplative wonder. There is the wordless exchange of gifts, royal, divine and sacrificial. And then, with a warning in a dream, a return to their own country by a different way. What does this mean for us? We are called to follow the light of faith to find the Christ, the dawning brightness. It will be at times a long and hard journey and we are not preserved from falls and grievous mistakes, but the Lord's grace will pick us up and set us again on our way. For this is eternal life, to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent' (John 17:3).

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Enid King, Joyce Finch, June Pountney, Henry Miller, Maureen Hurley, Mary Harding, Katie Breen, Teresa Goddard, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Theresa Hayward, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield and Patricia Lacey.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently. We also remember Irene McNulty, Della King, Ellen Dyer, Anne Forde, Maureen Leighton, Rosario Adamo, Tony Brennan, Bridget Gordon, James Lawler, Patrick Farnan, Peter Bolger, Peter O'Grady, Lawrence Woods, Raymond Cutler, Philomena Skeen, Robert Royce, George Becker, Nellie Tonks, John Toner, Maureen Cruise, Sylvia Twohey, Brenda Kenny, Mary Brian, Edith Stadniczuk, Francis Gilligan, Peter Flynn, Steven Chan, Mary Small, Kathleen Garbner, Michael Bergin, John Butler, Joe Brereton, Elaine Stuart, Ivy Heathcock, Carole Avtar Kola, Miechyslaw Kowalski and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

MASS INTENTION BOX

In order to make it easy to book Mass Intention, a new black colour box is fixed in the church porch. Mass Intention Envelops are also placed near the box. Please use the envelop for your Mass Intention details and money, and put the envelop in the Box.

DONATION BOX

A new grey colour safe is fixed in our church porch to make it easy for you to give donations to our church. Any kind of donation like Church Maintenance, Building Fund, Church Flowers, Youth Group, etc. can be put in the safe. Your donation to our Parish is much appreciated to financially stable our Parish. Please write the donation details on an envelop and put it in the safe.

*To find out more about how your parish, family or school can celebrate the Jubilee Year in our Archdiocese, and how you can participate in events nationally and internationally, visit our Diocesan website:
www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year (<http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year>)*



JUBILEE YEAR 2025
"Pilgrims of Hope"



To find out more, visit: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year or scan:

<p>This Week Saturday 4th January – Sunday 12th January</p>	<p>Holy Mass Intentions</p>	<p>Devotions & Other Events</p>
<p>Saturday 4th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm RIP Jerry O'Down</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p>Sunday 5th January SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH FEAST DAY</p>	<p>8:30am Ints Colm and Ita McLoughlin 10:30am Mass for our Parishioners by Bishop Timothy Menezes</p>	<p>Our Parish Feast Day</p>
<p>Monday 6th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>11:30pm Ints Marina and Pedro Paterson & Family</p>	<p>11:00am Divine Mercy</p>
<p>Tuesday 7th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>9:15am Ints Geam Claton</p>	
<p>Wednesday 8th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>11:30am Ints John Beirne</p>	<p>11:00am Rosary</p>
<p>Thursday 9th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>9:15am Ints Kitty Freeman</p>	
<p>Friday 10th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>9:15am Holy Name School RIP Gerald Chapman 11:30am Chuch Ints Margaret & John Beirne</p>	<p>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</p>
<p>Saturday 11th January Christmas Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm RIP Mary Holder</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p>Sunday 12th January FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD RETIRING COLLECTION FOR BUILDING FUND</p>	<p>8:30am RIP Leonard Reynolds 10:30am RIP James Sullivan</p>	<p>Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Holy Name Choir</p>

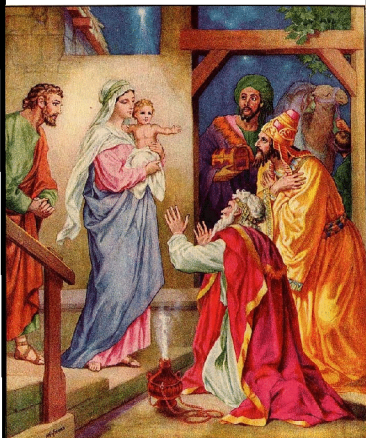
**Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£535.73**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£112.30**

**Standing Order for
the month of
August: £1,680.00**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 261**

**Thank you for
supporting our
Parish.**



THE VISIT OF THE WISE-MEN

**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11;
Ps 103;
Titus
2:11-14; 3:4-7;
Luke
3:15-16, 21-22**

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

New Rota for Readers and Eucharistic Minister is available. Please collect from the Church Porch as you leave Mass today. Thank you.

THANKS FROM FR. BIJU scj

Regional Convenor of SCJ Congregation Fr. Biju conveys his thanks to all our parishioners for our prayers and participation in the funeral of Fr. Brain Boyle scj.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025

'The Jubilee' companion booklet is available in our church porch. Please take a copy of it. This booklet will help you to make this Jubilee year fruitful and to achieve the intentions of this Jubilee year. Your donation is also appreciated to defray the cost of the booklet.

YOUTH GROUP

We are preparing to restart the Youth Group in our parish. DBS checking process is going on for Volunteers. Once they complete the DBS process, we will start our Youth Group. Few more volunteers are needed for the Youth Group. Please contact Fr. Jibu Mathew, if you are willing to volunteer the Youth Group.

VISIT AND HOUSE BLESSING

Fr. Jibu Mathew is visiting our parishioners who are living alone. Then he likes to visit our parishioners who are sick. Stephen Paul O'Gorman is helping him to arrange the visit. If you would like him to visit, and to bless your house or to bring the Holy Communion, please contact our parish office.

SINGING THE PSALMS

The Psalms are meant to be sung. If you would like to sing the Psalm for the Sunday Holy Mass especially 10:30am Mass, please let Fr. Jibu know. The resources are available.