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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

5th January 2025 AD

Year C (week after epiphany)

Welcome to St Patrick's Church. The story of the Epiphany of the Lord tell us that Jesus, the Christ, is revealed to be for all the peoples of the world. In the wise men, we see the homage of the nations to Jesus who is seen with his Mother, Mary. The wise men had followed a star which caused to "rejoice exceedingly with great joy" because where the star rested they beheld the Light of the World—Jesus. We too are called to become an epiphany—a revealing—of God by letting the light of Christ shine in our lives.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 — The glory of LORD has risen upon you

Responsorial Psalm: All the nations on earth shall fall prostrate before You, O LORD. (Psalm 72)

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6 — It has now been revealed that the Gentiles are fellow heirs of the promise

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! We saw His star when it rose

and have come to worship the Lord. Alleluia! (Matthew 2:2)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12 — We have come from the east to worship the king

Communion Antiphon: We have seen His star in the East,

and have come with gifts to adore the Lord. (cf Matthew 2:2)

NEXT WEEK: Baptism of the Lord (transferred) — Mass at 10:30am

Day		Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 5th January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD		10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Mary McCaffrey RIP
Tuesday after Epiphany	7th January	10:00am	Rosary	
Wednesday after Epiphany	8th January	10:30am	Mass	Eugene McMenamin RIP
Thursday after Epiphany	9th January	10:30am	Mass	All Holy Souls
Friday after Epiphany	10th January	10:30am	Mass	Lucy Lynch (a thank you)
Saturday after Epiphany	11th January	5:00pm	Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth	
Sunday THE BAPTISM OF THE	12th January	10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	People of the Parish

Prayers For The Sick: Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, John Nowaczewski, Charles Quaid, Peter van der Merwe, Rita

Mead, Dominic Cosgrave, Monica Peters, David Reilly, Liam Brice, Maureen Cronin, Gerard Cronin, Bill McGill, Kevin Conroy,

Mike Peacock.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed:

Lilly Jones, Jack Tucker, Clive Carpenter

And those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Martin Conway, Warwick O'Connor (Sun) Priscilla McMunn (Mon) Madelene Ashley (Wed) Paul Chapman (Thu) John Walter Adams (Fri) Michael Noel Stewart, Anne Bull (Sat)

Queen Alexandra Hospital Chaplaincy Number: 023 9228 6000 Parish 24 Hour Emergency Number: 07584 661316 (Fr Mark)

Parishioners/Relatives may request Parish Visitors to call by sending an email to: visiting.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL FOR TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS.

This is a time to gather and share fellowship with the family of God.

NOTICES:



A Pastoral Visiting email has been set up. If you, or a relative would like a visit from the pastoral visiting team send an email to: visiting.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk All members of the team are able to visit, bring Holy Communion or simply sit and chat and all have DBS clearance. If you would like to volunteer to join our team please email the same address.



The Tuesday Rosary Group re-starts on 7th at 10:00am here in the Church. Please think about coming along to spend half an hour with Our Lady, you are bound to feel better for it. It is very relaxed, if you want to take part and read one of the mysteries the option is there, if you prefer to just pray, that is fine also, there is no pressure whatsoever. We look forward to seeing you.



Next collection for Hayling Holiday Lunches will be Sunday 12 January (second Sunday of the month). Your donations are greatly appreciated and many families are benefiting from your generosity. "For I was hungry and you gave me food" Matthew 25:35



The Catholic Women's League has its first meeting of 2025 on Tuesday 7th January. If there are any new ladies to the Parish or any not so new, who would like to see what goes on at these meetings, you would be made very welcome, come along to the Hall for 2:00pm and you might find it is just what you are looking for.

The first Bingo afternoon of the new year is on Wednesday 15th January, again in the Hall at 2:00pm. Come with friends or come alone, a warm welcome awaits, you won't be alone for long, people always tell us how friendly everyone is. And if Bingo isn't your thing, maybe it is your neighbour's, please pass the word around.



Havant Pastoral Area SYNOD 22nd February 10:00am-3:30pm. St Joseph's Havant will be hosting the third of these occasions inviting everyone within our pastoral area to come together to hear what's been developing in recent ou Will Be My Witnesses months, to listen to each other and to pray together. Lunch will be provided. More details to follow in the New



St Anthony's RC Church Slough is organising a Holy Year Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi from 5th-10th May 2025 to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of their Church. We will be visiting several pilgrimage sites in Rome including the four Basilicas, Colosseum, Pantheon, Holy Stairs Church and have a Papal Audience. We will travel to Assisi for an overnight stay to visit the relics of Blessed Carlos Acutis who will be canonised by Pope Francis on Divine Mercy Sunday 2025. For more information please call Millie Fernandez on 07957 594646



New Sunday Missals - have been reordered, however there is a delay and they won't be delivered until the beginning of February, we presume there has to be a reprint, and the price will then be slightly increased. But it will still be the cheapest available.



Stella Maris Southampton, have written to "express our great thanks for your wonderful response to our Christmas Appeal. Thanks to the kindness and generosity, we have been able to achieve far more than we ever hoped, in supporting seafarers at Christmas. The generous gifts have enabled us to make a truly special contribution to the lives of a great number of seafarers who were separated from home, friends, and family at this time. The gifts have given a much-needed boost to our seagoing visitors to Southampton and south coast ports. Please see the attached

photos of some of our delivery of your gifts to the seafarers this Christmas. Wishing you a Happy New Year." Gregory Hogan and **Charles Stuart, Southampton Regional Port Chaplains**



Still Standing On The Rock! 7:00pm at the Hayling Island Community Centre on Friday 31st January 2025. TICKETS ON SALE NOW! Please be sure to tell family, friends, and neighbours about this evening of fun, singing and dancing. As before, there will be three sets of music: Rock, Country Rock and 1950s Rock'n'Roll all of which will have you up and dancing. Tickets only £10. All proceeds to St Patrick's Church. Tickets can be bought from Fr Mark (cash or card) after mass or by contacting the parish office 023 9246 3854 Included in your ticket is a free entry into the raffle for a The Generation Game band t-shirt!



SPECTACTLAR PRIZE DRAW Tickets for the Grand Draw with a Star Prize of £250 now available! Other prizes STILL STANDING ON THE ROCK! include: Days Out, Gin Tasting and Distillery Tour and Sports Car Racing Day...This is the major fund raising event and we need to sell as many tickets as possible. Please take books of tickets home to sell to family members, neighbours, friends, work colleagues, college friends, anyone you can find!

If anyone is doing a "dry January" or the like, please buy these tickets with money saved. It's for the greatest cause of all, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to Hayling Island