



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish

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Guided by the Holy Spirit, OLSH Parish in Central Australia is a family of God actively engaging in Jesus' love bringing justice, compassion and charity to all creation.



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 Monday to Friday: 8:30am -12 noon
 Saturday and Sunday: Closed



Year of the Youth in the Diocese of Darwin Amoris Laetitia

We have known a love that is prior to any of our own efforts, a love that constantly opens doors, promotes and encourages. If we accept that God's love is unconditional, that the Father's love cannot be bought or sold, then we will become capable of showing boundless love and forgiving others even if they have wronged us. Otherwise, our family life will no longer be a place of understanding, support and encouragement, but rather one of constant tension and mutual criticism. The expression *chairei epi te adikia* has to do with a negativity lurking deep within a person's heart. It is the toxic attitude of those who rejoice at seeing an injustice done to others. The following phrase expresses its opposite: *sygchairei te aletheia*: "it rejoices in the right". In other words, we rejoice at the good of others when we see their dignity and value their abilities and good works. This is impossible for those who must always be comparing and competing, even with their spouse, so that they secretly rejoice in their failures. All this assumes that we ourselves have had the experience of being forgiven by God, justified by his grace and not by our own merits.
 Pope Francis, Ch.4#108-109, Amoris Laetitia.

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The EPIPHANY of the LORD 6th-7th January 2018

Daily Readings: starting 8 January 2018

Mon: Is 55:1-11 Mk 1:7-11
Tues: 1 Sam 1:9-20 Mk 1:21-28
Wed: 1 Sam 3:1-10,19-20 Mk 1:29-39
Thu: 1 Sam 4:1-11 Mk 1:40-45
Fri: 1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22 Mk 2:1-12
Sat: 1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1 Mk 2:13-17
Sun: 1 Sam 3:3-10, 19
 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20 Jn 1:35-42



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Gerry Miles, Eric Robinson, Marie Liedwinger, James Harvey, Carmel Leonard, Grace Boog, Coleen Langcake, Carapiet Shafraz, Felisa Sara, Garry Smith, Dwayne Schultz, Rob Dominquez, Betty Rawson, Ellen Gunner, Latai Mailau, Penelope Fleming, Joan Brenton, Pauline Cardoz, Shiroma Bulner, Anne Tobin, Eric Rooke, Margaret McNaught, Thomas Andrew Jackson, Joyce & Duncan Komene, May Shah, Bernadette Dowd, Georgina Gilbert, Clare Lorkin, Rose Almanza, Luigia Sabadin, Lenie & Will Arthur

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +

Cleaning: January 13, 2018 **Group 1**
 Sammy Nobleza, Mel & Tinna Buenviaje

Counters: January 14, 2018
 Eric & Kath McGargill

Last Week's Collections:
 1st Collection: \$ TBA (for the presbytery)
 2nd Collection: \$ TBA (for the parish)
 Planned Giving: \$ TBA

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

Groups please remember to keep the Bulletin Team informed if you change your days/times etc.

Reconciliation:
 Saturday 11:30 am & 5:15 pm

Baptism: By appointment: one month's notice required. Formation of parents falls on the 1st Monday of the month. 7:00 pm -8:00 pm

Marriage:
 By appointment only, 12 months' notice required.

May the Lord grant them healing

Did you know?

- The word 'epiphany' means 'manifestation' or 'showing'.
- The gifts brought by the Magi (probably astrologers from Persia) reveal many things about Jesus. The gold signifies his kingship, the frankincense, his priestly role, and the myrrh suggests the spices and ointment with which his body is anointed and wrapped at his death which brought salvation.
- You will note from the text that the number of Magi is not mentioned. A later tradition developed that there were three, probably based on the three gifts, and later still they were given names!

"We have seen the light of his star and have come to adore the Lord."

Parish Mass Schedule
 Monday to Friday: 7am & 5:30pm;
 Saturday 11am & (Sun Vigil) 6 pm,
 Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am & 5:30 pm;
Ngkarte Mikwekenhe Community
 11am Aboriginal Community Mass
Syro-Malabar Rite Mass
 3rd Sunday of every month

We acknowledge the original custodians of this land and pay our respects to the Elders both past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Indigenous Australia. As we share our faith within our Catholic family we also acknowledge those that paved the way to give us our Church and Parish and welcome all into our community.

+ PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME +

The EPIPHANY of the LORD Year B
6th - 7th January 2018

Entrance Antiphon:

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

Mal 3:1; 1 Chr 19:12

First Reading:

The glory of the Lord shine 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.

Isaiah 60:1-6

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13

Second Reading:

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

Ephesians 3:2-3.5-6

Gospel Acclamation:

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

Mt 2:2

Gospel:

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 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.

Matthew 2:1-12

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayer of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon:

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

Mt 2:2



PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation (Mondays)
Advent Reflections,

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries
Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm & on these Sunday: 4th February 2018

Ministers' Ecumenical Fellowship
1st Tuesday of the month from 8:30am-9:30am at Desert Life Church

Bread Delivery to Town Camps
Wednesdays from 7:00pm-7:30pm

Yuendumu Aboriginal Mission (5hrs drive)
2nd Wednesday of the month

Children's Sunday School
Every Sunday from 9:20am except on school holidays

Jay Creek Aboriginal Mission (20m drive)
3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30pm-7:00pm

Old Timers Aged-Care Ministries
Thursdays from 2:00pm-3:30pm

Parish Council Meetings
1st Thursday of the month from 5:00pm-7:00pm

Catholic Youth of Alice Springs
Fridays from 6:30pm at JP2 Hall

Hetti Perkins Aboriginal Ministry
3rd Friday of the month from 10:30am-11:30am

Harts Range Aboriginal Mission (3hrs drive)
4th Friday of the month

Finance Team Ministry
1st Saturday of the month from 8:30am-9:30am

CAAAPU (Drugs & Alcohol Rehabilitation)
Sundays from 5:50pm-6:30pm

Social Justice Awareness Group: 4th Sunday of the month from 3:00pm-4:30pm

Sunday Mass Pick-Up: Every Sunday if you can help those who wish to attend Mass at the main Church.

Is God calling you to any of the above ministries and more? Call the presbytery and participate in God's Mission.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8