

Holy Family
St. Joachim's
St. Anne's

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Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford

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Epiphany of the Lord—Year B

REFLECTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a saviour. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

UPDATED MASS TIMES FROM THIS WEEKEND

We welcome Rev Fr Francis Tri who will celebrate our Masses during January. Mass times will be:

Tuesday 6.00pm

Wednesday 9.30am at Holy Family Hall, Frankston North

Thursday 6.00pm

Friday 9.00am

Saturday 6.00pm

plus Reconciliation 5.00pm / Rosary at 5.30pm / Divine Mercy 7.00pm

Sunday 8.30am

Sunday 10.00am

Please sign in at the door or use the QR code once you arrive. **Masks must be worn.**

Our 2021 Ministries which start from this weekend of 2nd & 3rd January and our Masses cannot run without people assisting. Each week we also need people to clean after all 3 Masses in line with COVID health requirements. The parish office will now be closed until the 8th January and reopen on Tuesday 12th January; it will then only be open on Tuesdays for assistance during January.

Please contact Fr Francis directly on 0490 471 089 for any urgent matters.

Our parish respectfully acknowledges the Bunurong people, who are the custodians of the Boon Wurrung land on which we worship. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Elders; past, present and future.

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Find—2020 The Holy Family Issue 3 here online at:

<https://stannes.com.au/newsletters/>

THANKSGIVING OPTIONS

If you are able to send your thanksgiving offerings via direct debit to: St. Anne's Church, National Australia Bank/CDF Account, **BSB Number: 083 347, Account No: 64340 4615.**

Please include your Thanksgiving Number if you have one and/or your name, also your banking reference marked as "Col1" (Collection 1) for parish expenses and "Col2" (Collection 2) for our parish priest/and retired priests in the Archdiocese. Online direct contributions, either one-off or recurring, can be made through CDFPay (**NEW LINK**): <https://bit.ly/CDFpaySeaford>

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

These are available to be collected from the foyer. **Please advise if no longer needed so that we can update our database system.**

MASS/ONLINE COLLECTIONS:

**Thanksgiving \$500.00 + Loose \$901.00
= \$1,401.00**

With sincere thanks from a grateful parish.

Please pray for all those friends and family who are are unwell including Trish Falk, Jennie Beechey-Garden and Jim Cooper. We pray for those who are sick and in our aged care facilities and nursing homes, and those suffering from the COVID-19 virus.

We pray for the anniversaries of our loved ones & all recently departed souls. We pray for all who have died recently. *Rest in peace.*



Watch Mass at Home

Weekend Mass by Fr. Andrew, and also an

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCblcO7ZsfLYaed14YrMcXNw>

St. Patrick's Cathedral Mass—11.00am Sunday

<http://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>

Channel 10: Mass For You at Home at 6.00am

<https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home>

CHILD SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE: WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC)

All adult volunteers who will be assisting at future Masses must have a WWCC and sign a [Code of Conduct Declaration](#). If you have not yet provided these to the parish, please do so ASAP. If you need to apply for a WWCC, go to

<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year B Epiphany of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13
2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year B The Baptism of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11
Responsorial Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-3,4-6
2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1-9
Gospel: Mark 1:7-11

TAP AND GO

The Tap and Go machine has been reactivated in the parish for cashless COVID-safe donations in place of loose donations. This assists the parish by increasing both our security and COVID-safe compliance for money being handled by our collectors each week as well as speeding up the banking process for our counters.



Have you changed your address, email or phone number recently?

Please email the office so that we can update our database records!

ROSARY GROUP

5.30pm each Saturday before 6.00pm Mass.

DIVINE MERCY GROUP
Saturdays after 6.00pm Mass.