

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD —YEAR C

REFLECTIONS OF THIS WEEK

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . . " The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

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.



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.

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>

VINNIES DONATIONS

If you would like to assist our Vinnies Seaford Conference with Your donations
Please use the below bank account details.

BSB: 063-000

**Acc no: 1031-7778
Seaford 304**

Account name: St Anne's

All donations will be used towards local families in need.



**PLEASE NOTE: PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM THE
24TH –3RD JANUARY 2021
FOR EMERGENCY PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE ON 9401 6398 OR
EMAIL : martin.jeramias@cam.org.au**

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially **Trish Falk, Jenniev Beechhey-Garden, Christina Toleafoa, Sister, Mathew McCue, Hortance Bouchereau, Marie Ribeiro.** We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Jack Pool, Mr & Mrs Norbert Payet & for all who have died recently especially Jennifer Joan Lucas.**

Rest in Peace.



*The Word became flesh, he lived
among us, and we saw his glory,
the glory that he has from the
Father as only Son of the Father,
full of grace and truth.*

- Jesus, John 1:14

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FAMILY**



***We are very grateful to all the Parishioners
for their continued support and
Thanksgiving donations.***



"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"

Welcome to St Anne's Parish ,where we foster the well being and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All our parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, Please contact me. Thanks, Sumitha (Safeguarding Officer).

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year C The EPIPHANY of the LORD

1st Reading: Is 60: 1-6
Responsorial Psalm: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.
2nd Reading: Eph 3:2-3, 5-6
Gospel: Mt 2: 1-12

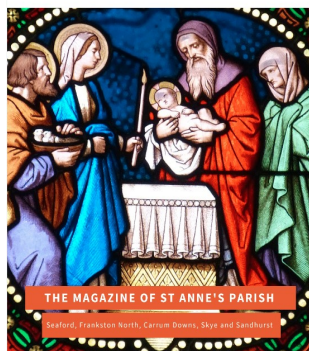
READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY— Year C The Baptism of the Lord

1st Reading: Is 40: 1-5, 9-11
Responsorial Psalm: O bless the Lord my soul!
2nd Reading: Tit 2:11-14; 3: 4-7
Gospel: Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22

The Holy Family

St Andrew
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The Holy Family 2021 Magazine

Unfortunately, we have not received sufficient articles by the deadline date of Wednesday 15th December. Therefore, publication of the parish magazine will be delayed until early in 2022.

If you have submitted an article, be assured that your efforts are greatly appreciated. Please contact the editor at fbartosy@gmail.com if you have written an unfinished draft and need help to complete it. Phone messages for Frank can be left by calling 0490 358 121.

***This New year may our heart be filled with thanksgiving for
all the gifts we received from God.***

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***With God as our Leader,
May we be prepared to live
Another year under His Guidance.***

Happy New Year 2022



A word of thanks to all the Volunteers

We would like to thank everyone who has volunteered during our 2021 Advent Season, the Dawn Liturgies, our Children's Christmas Carols & the Choir —We are grateful to the cleaner, working bees, setting up our beautiful crib, the Christmas tree, decorations, music & IT, our readers, greeters, Altar servers and Sacristans and performing any other ministries during these Masses. We wouldn't have done it without your help. Greatly appreciated.



**Have you changed your address, email or phone
number recently?
Please email the office so that we can update our
database records!**

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 16/01/2022 —Year C Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Is 62: 1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12: 4-11

Gospel Acclamation: God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Jn 2: 1-11

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 23/01/2022 —Year C Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Neh 8:2-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm: Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12: 12-30

Gospel Acclamation: The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to Prisoners.

Gospel: Lk 1: 1-4, 4:14-21

PARISH UPDATE & USUAL MASS TIMINGS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 6pm Mass

Wednesday 9:30am Holy Family Hall, Frankston North

Thursday 6pm Mass

Friday 7pm First Friday Mass

Divine Mercy devotion at 5:00pm followed by Rosary

Reconciliation 5:30pm

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 8.30am

Sunday 10.00am

PLEASE NOTE - There will be NO Mass on 4th, 5th & 6th of January. It is mandatory to use the QR code displayed in the foyer of the Church, If you are unable to use the QR Code, please ask the greeting volunteer for help. It is mandatory to wear the mask inside the Church. For more information please refer to the relevant government rules.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 30/01/2022 —Year C Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Jer 1: 4-5, 17-19

Responsorial Psalm: I will sing of your salvation.

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12: 31- 13:13

Gospel Acclamation: The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Gospel: Lk 4: 21-30

GREETERS NEEDED

With the recent easing of restrictions, the role of greeters (now known as COVID Check-in Marshals) has changed.

However, the new rules now mean that greeters are very busy at certain times. As we approach Christmas, the need for more greeters is now greater than ever. Going by the experience of the recent five weekend Masses, I really think that we will ideally need 2 to 3 greeters at all busy Masses. If you can help, please email Frank at fbartosy@gmail.com or see him when you walk into the church on the weekend. Training provided.



*Our Parish Prayer
We, the people of Seaford Parish
strive to be followers of Jesus
by being a welcoming and supportive
community
in which the talents
of all can grow
and in which we live out
our faith through word,
sacrament and action.
May the Holy Family
St Anne and St Joachim
inspire and intercede for us
that we may be followers of Jesus.
Amen.*



HOLY FAMILY PRAYER

*Heavenly Father,
You have given us the model of
life
in the holy family of Nazareth.
Help us make our family
another Nazareth
Where love, peace and joy reign.
Teach us to see Jesus
in the members of our families,
especially in their distress
disguise.
May we love one another
as God loves each of us,
more and more each day,
and forgive each other's faults
as you forgive our sins.
Help us take whatever you give
and give whatever you take
with a big smile
Amen.*