# Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14

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# St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

Our Vision: Transforming lives through Jesus Christ. Our Mission: Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Making disciples and Growing faith communities.

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD 3rd January 2021

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#### Sentence:

They saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and worshipped him. Matthew 2:11

#### Collect:

Eternal God, who by a star led Magi to the worship of your Son: guide the nations of the earth by your light, that the whole world may see your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **Readings for Today:**

Isaiah 60.1-6; Psalm 72.1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12.

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Weekly Services: Sunday 9am. COVID-19 Safety Plan in place. <u>BOOKINGS RECOMMENDED</u>, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN 9am and 12 NOON TO BOOK.

# <sup>5</sup>May he live while the sun endures:

<sup>1</sup>Give the king your judgement, O God:

and your righteousness to the son of a king.

<sup>2</sup>That he may judge your people rightly:

and the poor of the land with equity.

and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

and while the moon gives light, throughout all generations.

<sup>4</sup>May he give justice to the poor among the people:

#### <sup>6</sup>May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields: and as showers that water the earth.

<sup>3</sup>Let the mountains be laden with peace because of his righteousness:

and rescue the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor.

<sup>7</sup>In his time shall righteousness flourish: and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

<sup>10</sup>The kings of Tarshish and the isles shall bring tribute: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

<sup>11</sup>All kings shall fall down before him: and all nations do him service.

<sup>12</sup>He will deliver the needy when they cry:

### and the poor that have no helper.

<sup>13</sup>He will pity the helpless and the needy: and save the lives of the poor.

<sup>14</sup>He will redeem them from oppression and violence: and their blood shall be precious in his sight.

# A Prayer at this Time

**An Epiphany Blessing** 

May Christ the Son of God be

manifest to you, that your lives

#### Loving God,

source of healing and comfort, at this time of fear, fill us with your grace, that the sick may be made whole, the virus contained and a cure found. Strengthen those who care for the sick, calm the anxious, and protect the most vulnerable in the power of the Spirit and in the faith of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

# <u>Diocesan Prayer</u>



God in whom we live, and move and have our being, we thank you for Jesus Christ who is the Good News. By the power of your Holy Spirit, enable us to be people who transform lives, make disciples and grow communities, that your glory may be revealed in all creation. We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



**Readings for 10th January 2021—The Baptism of Our Lord** Genesis 1.1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19.1-7; Mark 1.4-11.

#### Reflection

Today in Church we will be celebrating the Epiphany of our Lord. The date to celebrate the Epiphany is 6th January, but I thought that as it is a Principal Holy Day, and the Lectionary allows it, we should have it today.

What do you think of when you hear the word "Epiphany"?

It is normally associated with having a revelation about something. That is something you didn't quite realize before, or here unaware of before, you now know.

The readings for the Epiphany focus on the Magi coming and finding Jesus and giving him gifts of Gold and Frankincense and Myrrh. The significance of this is that the Magi represent the Gentiles, that is those who weren't Jews, acknowledging Jesus as the Messiah. Jesus has come so that the whole word can know the way to God.

We all need to have our own "epiphany" about who Jesus is. It may have come very slowly over time for you, or you may have had a sudden conversion. The important thing is that it has happened for you, and you know Jesus as your Lord and Saviour.

God Bless, Happy New Year and have a great week Rev. Dway

# My Christian Story

Have you written yours yet? What is *your* story about how you became a Christian? Grey flyers can be emailed or sent to you on request. There are ideas for you to think about and inside a place for you to write 'your story.'

# Prayer of the Week

O God, by the leading of a star, you manifested your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant, that we, who know you now by faith, may after this life be lead to the vision of your glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Personal Notes

**BIRTHDAYS:** 3rd: Belinda McIntosh; 5th: Glynnis Gamble; 9th: Marlene Smidt.



ANNIVERSARIES: 4th: Brook & Maria Koopmans; 5th: Ross & Del Johnson.

#### <u>Prayer List</u> The following people are in need of our prayers at this time:

John French, Daphne Hawtin, Maria Gandey, Fay Flaherty, Loretta Flaherty, Joy Kendrick, Iris Pyle, Jacqueline Kerr, Andrew, Val Chapman, Barbara, Cressa Bartosek, Margaret Dudgeon, Trish Hooley, David Leigh, Cliff Boyd, Janis Hepburn, Liz Tanke, Wynn Gilliland, Christine Charlton, Ruth Conlan, Brian Scrase, Colin Hawtin, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Elan, Robyn Hobson, Susan & Bob Gale, Tony de Kievit.

Our Church is committed to protecting your privacy. People on this list have requested prayer. <u>Please contact the Parish Office for any changes to the Prayer List</u>

# Service Time Change

**Worship time will continue with one 9.00am service only on Sunday mornings.** Many thanks to all who have been doing additional tasks during the more onerous restrictions. We will still have some restrictions into the future. God Bless Dway

#### COVID-19 Update

We have a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place.

Worship time will continue with one 9.00am service only on Sunday mornings. With the 2sq. metre rule from 13th December we will be able to have 160 people in Church. Singing will still be restricted.

Face masks are still recommended.

It is recommended you down load the COVID Safe App if you feel comfortable doing so. Cleaning will still be required after each time the Church is used.

Recording of attendance will still be required. Due to this we will still be encouraging people to book in before the services, but if you have not booked in you can come and register on the day. Please call the office on 07 5536 1060 on the Thursday or Friday prior between 9am and 12 noon to register.

Please feel free to call me if you have any queries. God Bless Dway.

# **NOTICE of Parish Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 21st February 2021 commencing at 10:30am.

Would all event coordinators please have your **Reports for the AGM** into the Parish Office by Friday, 22nd January 2021. Thank you.

# <u>2021 Planning</u>

Ash Wednesday Good Friday Easter Day 17th February 2021 2nd April 2021 4th April 2021

Details of Services and Events will be advised closer to the time. For queries please contact Rev. Dway Ph. 07 5536 1060 or email priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au

#### Supporting our Parish Ministry

A Big Thank You to All those who have continued to financially support our Parish either by the normal means or now electronically. It is appreciated.

If you would like to contribute electronically to the mission and ministry of our Parish, you can use the following account.

Direct Debiting to our St Cuthbert's Parish Account with the AFGD Name: Tweed Heads Anglican Parish BSB: 705077 Account No.: 00040111

Please call Rev. Dway on 07 5536 1060 or the Treasurer John Gandey on 07 5599 7269 if you have any queries, or would like to discuss this further.