

Anglican Parish of Queenscliff- Point Lonsdale
Sunday 10.00am Holy Communion at
St James' Point Lonsdale
Morning Prayer Wednesday 10.30am St George's Queenscliff
THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD 5th January 2025



Sharing in ministry together

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THIS WEEK IN A NUTSHELL

MONDAY 6th January 2025	Mthr Jo's rest day
TUESDAY 7th	
WEDNESDAY 8th	10.30am Morning Prayer St George's
THURSDAY 9th	
FRIDAY 10th	8.00pm Philharmonic Cologne Concert St George's
SATURDAY 11th	
SUNDAY 12th	10.00am Holy Communion St James' Point Lonsdale THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Websites mentioned in Mthr Jo's New Year's Day Homily:

www.anglicanoverseasaid.org.au Anglican Overseas Aid

www.msf.org.au Médecins sans Frontières (Doctors without Borders)

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 led to the vision of your glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

This week's readings THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7 (page 294 of the Prayer Book), 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

(All readings are taken from The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible)

Next week's readings: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-22

Hymns

Introit – The First Nowell AHB 221; TIS 301; tune THE FIRST NOWELL

Offertory – As with Gladness Men of Old AHB 239; TIS 314; tune DIX

Post Communion – O come all ye faithful AHB 228; TIS 304 (verses 1, 4, 6 & 7) tune ADESTE FIDELES

Readings for this week: Readings will be offered by members of the Scripture Union, who have come to stay at Cottage by the Sea and are reaching out to holiday makers and local families.

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

² For darkness shall cover the earth,

and thick darkness the peoples;

but the Lord will arise upon you,

and his glory will appear over you.

³ Nations shall come to your light,

and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around;

they all gather together, they come to you;

your sons shall come from far away,

and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant;

your heart shall thrill and rejoice,^[a]

because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,

the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you,

the young camels of Midian and Ephah;

all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,

and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Psalm 72:1-7 (page 294 of the Prayer Book)

¹ Give the king your judgement, O God:

And your righteousness to the son of a king,

² That he may judge your people rightly:

And the poor of the land with equity.

³ Let the mountains be laden with peace because of his righteousness:

And the hills also with prosperity for his people.

⁴ May he give justice to the poor among the people:

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

⁵ May he live while the sun endures:

And while the moon gives light, throughout all generations.

⁶ May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:

And as showers that water the earth.

⁷ In his time shall righteousness flourish:

And abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah^[c] was to be born. ⁵ They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler

who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

WHAT'S ON

- Sunday 5th January 2025 – The Epiphany of Our Lord at St James' Point Lonsdale
- Friday 10th January – **PHILHARMONIC COLOGNE CONCERT 8.00pm** at St George's, Queenscliff. Tickets are available at Visitor Information Centre, 55 Hesse Street, Queenscliff.
- Thursday 16th January – 11.00am Holy Communion Arcare, Point Lonsdale
- Friday 24th January - **"A Summer evening concert at St George's"** Recital by Victoria Hay, plus an introduction to the history of the church and the organ by Val Lawrence. Plus a glass of something with fizz! Tickets \$30: proceeds to go to the St George's Restoration Fund.
- 5.30 - 7.00pm
- Thursday 30th January – 4.00pm Parish Council at the Vicarage

Do you need a lift to church? Each week there are parishioners who would like to attend church but need a lift to join us on Sunday mornings. There are also many other parishioners who are happy to pick up a fellow parishioner on their way to church each Sunday. If you fall into either of these camps, please contact Sally [0427651038] so we can help you join us for worship.

Parish Prayer List – If you would like prayer for yourself or another who have given their permission and would appreciate prayer as part of our time of worship, please direct your prayer request to Mthr Jo 0458 523 754 or vicar@queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org



GROWTH PRAYER – God of mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Account name: Anglican Parish of St George's

MORNING PRAYER on Zoom

Monday – Saturday 9.15am www.us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SIJCRE5WNXRZUxRa0dHVk1vL2w3dz09

EVENING PRAYER Zoom

Monday – Saturday 5.00pm www.us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFKa25laG4vUDdMQT09

MEDITATION on Zoom

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8.30am – 9.00am www.us02web.zoom.us/j/81733909876?pwd=WHI4QVNENHRJVFZyWXXNLSFJ5cjdrdz09