

**Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD**  
**4<sup>th</sup> January 2026**



**9.00am – Holy Eucharist**

***Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson***

***Organist – Chris Sillince***

**Hymns: TIS 314, 291, 301, 310 (Tune: Morning Star)**

[All hymns are from Together in Song unless otherwise specified.]

Prayer and anointing for healing are available at each Eucharist. If you would like prayer and anointing, please move in front of the step, at the left side of the altar, after receiving communion and a priest will come and minister to you.

## **Sentence**

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

*Matthew 2.11*

## **Prayer of the Day**

Lord God of the nations,  
we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendour:  
may the brightness of your incarnate Word  
pierce the night that covers the earth,  
signal the dawn of justice and peace,  
and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
in the splendour of eternal light, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **Isaiah Chapter 60 verses 1-6**

- <sup>1</sup> Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
- <sup>2</sup> 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.
- <sup>3</sup> Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
- <sup>4</sup> 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.
- <sup>5</sup> Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
- <sup>6</sup> 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.

Hear the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 72.1-7, 10-14**

<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.**

<sup>3</sup> Let the mountains be laden with peace  
because of his righteousness:  
and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

<sup>4</sup> **May he give justice to the poor among the people:  
and rescue the children of the needy,  
and crush the oppressor.**

<sup>5</sup> May he live while the sun endures:  
and while the moon gives light,  
throughout all generations.

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

<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 of 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.**

## **Ephesians Chapter 3 verses 1-12**

<sup>1</sup> This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— <sup>2</sup> for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup> and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, <sup>4</sup> a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. <sup>5</sup> 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: <sup>6</sup> that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. <sup>7</sup> 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. <sup>8</sup> 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, <sup>9</sup> and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; <sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup> in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I;  
he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

**Alleluia!**

**A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew  
Chapter 2, verse 1 – 12**

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>1</sup> In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem,

<sup>2</sup> 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.'

<sup>3</sup> When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him;

<sup>4</sup> and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

<sup>5</sup> They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup> "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." '

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.

<sup>8</sup> 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.'

<sup>9</sup> 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.

<sup>10</sup> When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

<sup>11</sup> 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.

<sup>12</sup> And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Kevin Thomas, Angarad O'Malley, Gloria Townsend, Janice Clark, Jackie Davidson, Malcolm Sandstrom, Lynette Brennan, Robert, David Lamb, Jean Carden, Charlotte Christie, George, Ben & family, Elsa & Peter Sorensen, Maureen Alais, Richard Gosling, Roberta Henderson, Lorraine Fisher, Robyn Morgan, Jessica, Judy, George, Carmen McGee, Jessica Robert, Wendy & Alan Eades and Ken, Peter Hancock, Sue James, Peter Bosley, Scott, Neil Ewer and Kate Ross (Holt).

*Please note: This prayer list will be updated at the beginning of each month. Please legibly print prayer recipients' names in the prayer book. Please get their permission first. Thank you.*

### **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.**

### **Offertories via Direct Debit**

Offering via direct debit. Direct debit details of account:  
ASDF Account: Parish of Terrigal, BSB:705-077  
Account Number: 00040934  
*Terry Rowe - Treasurer.*

### **WHISPERS OF LOVE – A MEDITATION**

The Whispers of Love Meditation community is in recess and will resume with our first meeting in the new year on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026 at 10.00am.**  
*Blessings, Reverend Ann Watson.*

### **GARDEN BEE**

**The first Garden Bee for 2026 will be on  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February.**

We look forward to seeing you there.

With gratitude, *Suzanne George – Garden Captain*

### **OP SHOP SUPER SALE**

Market Day will not be held in January but the Op Shop is having a **SUPER SALE** on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January starting at 8am.**

A sausage sizzle and cold drinks will also be available. Please join us — we've got amazing sale specials waiting!

Also, please visit and follow our Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/TerrigalOpShop/>

*Blessings, The Op Shop Team*

### **WYOMING EMERGENCY RELIEF CENTRE**

**Please note that the Centre will be closed over the Christmas period and will re-open on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

**We kindly ask that donations resume on Sunday, 4 January 2026.**

Thank you for your generous support throughout 2025—your kindness has truly made a difference to those in our community who need it most.

### **SERVICES IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY**

Please be advised that the **10.30am Friday Eucharist will recommence on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January.**

There will be **one service at 9am throughout January and February.** Both 8am and 9.30am services will recommence on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026. The band will recommence on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

### **THANK YOU BOXES**

**Thank You boxes are now available for collection.** Please take one.

For the next twelve months the money from the Thank You boxes will go to the ABM (Anglican Board of Mission) for the "Jerusalem Project". The Episcopal (Anglican) Church in Jerusalem supports and funds the Hospital in Gaza City which primarily serves Palestinian people who need medical help, especially Mothers and Children at this critical time.

**For more information, contact Elsa Sorensen.**

## **Rosters for Next Week**

**FRIDAY 10.30am** – In recess until **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> January - 9.00am**

<b>Readers</b>	<b>Servers</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> – Keith Lewis 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Sue James	-	Bev Clark

<b>Morning Tea</b>
Anna Holt Catherine Taylor

**Next Sunday – 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

**9.00am** – Holy Eucharist – *Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*

***Organist – Chris Sillince***

**Readings:** Isaiah 42.1-9, Psalm 29, Acts 10.34-43

**Gospel:** Matthew 3.13-17



## **This Week**

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January**

**10.00** – Whispers of Love – a Meditation is in recess until 2<sup>nd</sup> February

### **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January**

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### **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January**

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

**10.30am** – Holy Eucharist – *Fr Mark Watson*

Readings: 1 John 4.11-18, Psalm 72.8-14

Gospel: Mark 6.45-52

### **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

William Laud, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr (d. 1645)

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