



ST MICHAEL
AND ALL ANGELS
OBSERVATORY
Restoring the Mystery

**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY**
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THE WEEK AHEAD: SERVICES TO BE STREAMED - (S)		
Tuesday 26 th Jan Polycarp. B&M	12.00 18.30	Angelus Low Mass (S)
Wednesday 27 th Jan John Chrystosom, B&D	12.00 18.30	Angelus Low Mass (S)
Thursday 28 th Jan Thomas Aquinas, D	12.00 09.30	Angelus Low Mass (S)
Saturday 30 th Jan	08.00	Low Mass (S)
Sunday 31 st January Septuagesima	10.00	High Mass (S)

LECTIONARY FOR THIS WEEK:

Mon	MP	Ps 25; Isaiah 48:1-11; Galatians 1:1-17
	EP	Pss 26,27; Genesis 14:(1-7),8-26; Mark 5:21-43
Tues	MP	Pss 28,29,30; Isaiah 48:12-21; Galatians 1:18-2:10
	EP	Ps 31; Genesis 15:1-11,17-21; Mark 6:1-13
Wed	MP	Pss 32,33; Isaiah 49:1-12; Galatians 2:11-21
	EP	Ps 34; Genesis 16:1-14; Mark 6:13-29
Thu	MP	Ps 35; Isaiah 49:13-26; Galatians 3:1-14
	EP	Ps 36; Genesis 16:15-17:14; Mark 6:30-46
Fri	MP	Ps 37:1-20; Isaiah 50:1-11; Galatians 3:15-22
	EP	Ps 37:21-41; Genesis 17:15-27; Mark 6:47-56
Sat	MP	Ps 38; Isaiah 51:1-8; Galatians 3:23-29
	EP	Ps 39; Genesis 18:1-16; Mark 7:1-23

THE SACRAMENTS: Baptism, Confession, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick and Burial of the Dead may be arranged through the Rector, Fr Timothy Lowes 082 451 3733. Rector's day off: - Friday.

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PRAYER BEFORE MASS: Christ our Lord, as we come to assist at the Altar in this Mass, may we be open to hearing your voice, learning from you and receiving new life through your Body and Blood.

PROPER OF THE MASS (*Adorate Deum*)

INTROIT: All ye Angels of God, fall down, and worship before him: Sion heard, and was exceeding joyful, and the daughters of Juda were glad. The Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof: yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

GRADUAL: The heathen shall fear thy name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy majesty. When the Lord shall build up Sion: and when his glory shall appear.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia. Alleluia. The Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof: yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof. Alleluia.

OFFERTORY: The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

COMMUNION: All wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth.

FROM FR TIMOTHY RADCLIFFE, OP: What is special about Christian joy is that it is not opposed to sorrow. Many people try to live a hearty sort of joy, 'Smile, Jesus loves you', which suggests that all is fine. There is a lot of guilt about being sorrowful. It has been established that one of the reasons for so many suicides among the young is a feeling that it is shameful to be sad. But Christianity offers a joy which is large enough for sorrow; it is the joy of Christ which included Good

Friday. The opposite of joy for us is not sorrow but hardness of heart, a refusal to be touched by the sorrows and joys of the world.

PRAYER AFTER MASS: Lord Jesus, as we have received you in your Body and your Blood, may we be touched by the sorrows and joys of the world around us.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Damion Franz, Luke Kennedy, Beatrix Smith, Grayston Barnes, Susan van Wyk, Neville van der Horn, Sue Ross, Derek Hanslo, Ian Hele, Bomkazi Siko, Leon Joynt, Joy Macnab, Hannah Richards, David Wilson, Edward Knight, Gabby Sampson, Virginia Macauley, Jill Kuhn, Cynthia Wargrave, Reeza Van Der Ross, Kayden King, Abby-Gail Strydom, Kian Paxton, Elizabeth Steyn, Jack Murray, Jenny Coote, Gavin Henderson, Bishop Joshua Louw, Keano Kammies, Cathy Lennox, Jennifer Rooks, John Constable, Andrew Farlham, Digby Coleman and Paul Pretorius.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WITH LONG-TERM HEALTH NEEDS: Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Leah Tutu, Liza McBride, Carol McMullen, Anja Donnelly, Lawrence Huckstep, Bishop Merwyn Castle, Ralph Raad, Rene Hobbs, Fr Neville Callander, John Williams, Ilsa Barlow, Jean Lomass, Alan Bradley, Jaxon Nettlebeck, Timothy McBride, Matthew Hickmott, Yvette Rosenberg, Lucy Moorgas, Yvonne Pyters, Louis and Marion Byrne, Angela Muspratt-Wiliams, David Glendining, Chris Woolnough, Valerie Atkinson, Patrick and Rae Wilton, Cecil Theys, Leianna Ah Sing, Lister Nuku, Marlene Sharp, Peter Berthold, Kate Taylor, Jack Taylor, Candace and Giulio Manino, Elizabeth Dudley and Susan Freysen.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: We pray for the repose of the soul of George Everett, and for those whose Year's Minds fall since Sunday the 17th: Kathleen Vlotman, Helen Novella [17], Andrew Arenz, Florence Jones, Douglas Dormehl, Cathy Barron [18], Robert Ward [20], Freda Johnson (Warner), Helen Kotze [21], Joan Frances Haskell, Doreen Waterman [22] and Michael Martin [23], Michael Wearne, *priest* [25], Susan Wright [26], Ethel Smith, Anne Welsh [27], Emily Pettit, Axel Lindholm [29], Hilda Heynes, Diedrick

Johan Foot [30], Harry Peipers, Elizabeth Bloem, George Jermy [31].

THE WIDER ANGLICAN COMMUNION: This Sunday we pray for the clergy and people of the Anglican Church of Bangladesh, and for its Primate and Moderator, the Most Rev Samuel Sunil Mankhin, Bishop of Kushtia.

HELPING ANGELS FOOD BASKET: At this time donations, during lockdown, can be arranged through the Checkers or Pick n Pay delivery systems to the Parish. Or food parcels can be brought on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the morning when the Parish Office is open. Your continued help is always appreciated by those less fortunate.

24 Jan 500gms sugar

31 Jan 410gms tinned fish or meat

7 Feb soup packet 50gm, or 500gms rice

14 Feb 410gms tinned mixed vegetables

28 Feb 100gms instant coffee or 26 sachet packets of tea

7 Mar 250ml long-life milk or 385gm condensed milk

14 Mar 225gms or 410gms baked beans

THANKS. Without your constant help we as a Parish would not be able to assist those less fortunate in the suburb. God bless you for your contributions. Thank you.

PREPARATION FOR LENT: The three 'Gesima' Sundays mark a short season provided by the Church during which we prepare for Lent. It would be a useful spiritual exercise to spend some time reflecting on how you plan to keep Lent this year. Don't forget Lent is not only about giving things up. You might decide to take on something: how about watching regularly the streaming of some of the weekday Masses or taking on a project which helps those less fortunate than ourselves?

PLEDGE ENVELOPES JAN-JUN 2021: These are now available through the Parish Office, for those parishioners on the envelope system. A number of parishioners have changed from the envelope system to giving via the electronic system (EFT) through the bank. Perhaps you would like to consider to moving across to the EFT system, particularly in the light of the unending emergency lockdown system at this time. This would assist in helping the ongoing running of the parish. Thank you.