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### The Epiphany of the Lord

On entering the house the Magi saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

**Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's**  
**7th January 2024, The Epiphany of the Lord Year B**  
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### Sunday Mass Readings for The Epiphany of the Lord, January 7 2024

1st Reading	Isaiah 60:1-6
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
2nd Reading	Ephesians 3:2-3A, 5-6
Alleluia	Matthew 2:2
Gospel	Matthew 2:1-12

### 1st Reading - Isaiah 60:1-6

1 Arise, be enlightened, O Jerusalem: for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
 2 For, behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and a mist the people: but the Lord shall arise upon you and his glory shall be seen upon you.  
 3 And the Gentiles shall walk in your light, and kings in the brightness of your rising.

4 Lift up your eyes all around and see! All these have been gathered together; they have arrived before you. Your sons will arrive from far away, and your daughters will rise up from your side.  
 5 Then you will see, and you will overflow, and your heart will be amazed and expanded. When the multitude of the sea will have been converted to you, the strength of the nations will approach you.  
 6 A multitude of camels will inundate you: the dromedaries from Midian and Ephah. All those from Sheba will arrive, carrying gold and frankincense, and announcing praise to the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13.

R. (cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

1 O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son;  
 2 He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

7 Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more.  
 8 May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

10 The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.

11 All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

12 For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.  
 13 He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

### 2nd Reading - Ephesians 3:2-3A, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

2 You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit,  
 3A How that, according to revelation, the mystery has been made known to me.

5 Which in other generations was not known to the sons of men, as it is now revealed to his holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit:

6 That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and co-partners of his promise in Christ Jesus, by the gospel.

## Alleluia - Matthew 2:2

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

2 We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel - Matthew 2:1-12

1 When Jesus had been born in Bethlehem of Judah, in the days of king Herod, behold, Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem,

2 saying: "Where is he who was born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and we have come to adore him."

3 Now king Herod, hearing this, was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.

4 And gathering together all the leaders of the priests, and the scribes of the people, he consulted with them as to where the Christ would be born.

5 And they said to him: "In Bethlehem of Judea. For so it has been written by the prophet:

6 'And you, Bethlehem, the land of Judah, are by no means least among the leaders of Judah. For from you shall go forth the ruler who shall guide my people Israel.'"

7 Then Herod, quietly calling the Magi, diligently learned from them the time when the star appeared to them.

8 And sending them into Bethlehem, he said: "Go and diligently ask questions about the boy. And when you have found him, report back to me, so that I, too, may come and adore him."

9 And when they had heard the king, they went away. And behold, the star that they had seen in the east went before them, even until, arriving, it stood still above the place where the child was.

10 Then, seeing the star, they were gladdened by a very great joy.

11 And entering the home, they found the boy with his mother Mary. And so, falling prostrate, they adored him. And opening their treasures, they offered him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

12 And having received a response in sleep that they should not return to Herod, they went back by another way to their own region.

## Saint Of The Day



Raymond of Penyafort

## Saint Raymond of Penyafort Biography

Date of Birth	1175
Country of Birth	Spain in Europe
Matrimony/Holy Orders	Blessed who were Priests

Profession	Priest
Place of Work	Spain
Date of Death	6 <sup>th</sup> January 1275
Place of Death	Spain
Feast Day	7 <sup>th</sup> January

## Beatification

Beatified by N/A

## Canonization

Canonized by Pope Clement VIII on 29<sup>th</sup> April 1601

## Patron Saint of

Canonists and lawyers

Sunday Mass Readings Homily for 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024, The Epiphany of the Lord

7<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: The Epiphany of the Lord - Matthew 2:1-12

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Helen Yvonne Connolly 06/01/2018 (6 Years)

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