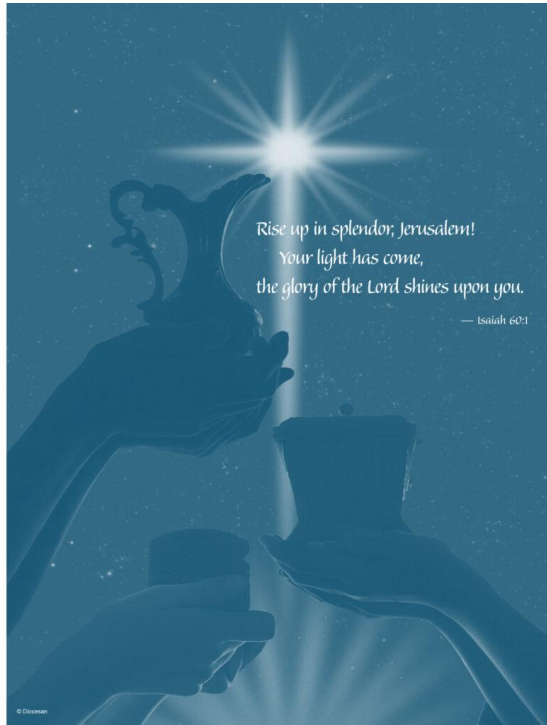


# **Sunday 4th January 2026, 10.00am**

## **Epiphany**



## ***Parish of Moe-Newborough***

### **St Aidan's, Newborough**

**Celebrant: Rev'd Giles Motisi**

**Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after  
the service**



## Psalm 72.1-7, 72.10-14

<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.**

### Second Reading:

### Ephesians 3.1-12

<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.

For the word of the Lord     **Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel**

## **Matthew 2.1-12**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, Chapter 2, beginning at the 1st verse.

**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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

### Worldwide Church

- The Church of the Province of Central Africa
- Province of Melanesia
  - Archbishop: Leonard Dawea
  - Bishops: Patterson Worek, Leonard Dawea, Ben Seka, Nathan Tome, Alfred Karibongi, Samuel Sahu, George Maomaoru, Willie Tungale, James Tama and Ellison Quity.

### Our Diocese:

- Bishop Richard, Leanne and family.
- Our Vicar General, Archdeacon Graham Knott.
- The Episcopal District of Westernport: Currently vacant

### Missions

Parish Mission Action Plans

### Special Focus

The Anglican Communion and for Sarah Mullally, to be installed as the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury, which will take place at Canterbury Cathedral on Wednesday 25 March 2026, the Feast of the Annunciation.



### **Our Parish:**

We pray for Father Giles, Julia, Darol and Joana and their family, Frank and Peter, and friends in PNG.

As the new year begins we pray for the health, safety and wellbeing of all parish members, especially those who have asked for our prayers: Alisha, Annabel, Anne, Brendan, Bruce, Cath, Carolyn, Coral, Daryl, Dave, David, Elly, Jen & Zed, Jane, John, Kevin, Laila, Lina, Nancye, Narrelle, Pauline, Ray, Rita and Yvonne, along with their families and friends.



We remember Judith Jackson on the anniversary of her passing on 6<sup>th</sup> January.

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### **Commencement Dates for Parish Activities – 2026**

**Wednesday Services:** 10.00am Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January at St Luke's

**Prayer and Meditation Group:** 7pm Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January at Madge Vinnell Centre, 7 Anzac Street, Moe.

**Listening Post Drop in Centre:** 10am Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January at Madge Vinnell Centre, 7 Anzac Street, Moe.

**Parish Council:** will meet at St Aidan's on 18<sup>th</sup> January at 12.30pm

**Men's Breakfast:** 8.30am Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February at Madge Vinnell Centre, 7 Anzac Street, Moe.

**Get Out for Good:** 10am Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February at Madge Vinnell Centre, 7 Anzac Street, Moe.

**Mothers Union:** 12.30pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February at St Aidan's.

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## *The Week Ahead*

### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026:

10am Wednesday service at St Lukes

7pm Prayer and Meditation Group at Madge Vinnell Centre, Anzac Street, Moe.

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

10am- 12md Listening Post Drop-in Centre resumes. Food relief available

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2026:

**Baptism of the Lord**

10.00am Holy Communion at St Aidan's, Newborough

**Celebrant: Father Giles Motisi**

Readings: Isaiah 42: 1-9  
Acts 10: 34-43

Psalm 29  
Matthew 3: 13-17

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**Services:**

Wednesday 10.00am St Luke's, 47 South Street, Moe

Sunday 10.00am St Aidan's, 111 Torres Street, Newborough

(Unless advertised as otherwise)

**Parish Direct Banking Details:**

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**BSB:** 083 773 **Account:** 915 154 737