

EPIPHANY



FIRST READING: *Isaiah 60:1-6*

This is a reading from the prophet Isaiah.

People of Jerusalem, arise! Stand up!
Your light has come!
The glory of God shines on you!
And the rulers of nations
will come to your shining light.

Look all around you and see;
people are gathering and coming to you.
They will come from far away,
bringing gifts of gold and frankincense,
and singing the praises of God.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSE: *Psalm 96*

All the people on the earth, rejoice to hear of the Savior's birth!

Verse:

Proclaim salvation! God's wonders done for the earth.

(Repeat Response after the Verse.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Good news, good news! Alleluia! The world will know of his love!

GOSPEL: *Matthew 2:1-12*

This is a reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea,
the magi came from the east.

When they arrived in Jerusalem, they asked the people,

“Where is the newborn King of the Jews?
We have seen his star in the east,
and we have come to worship him.”



When they said this,
King Herod and all the people of Jerusalem
became very disturbed.
Herod gathered the leaders of the Jewish people
and asked them where the Messiah was supposed to be born.
They told him,

“In Bethlehem of Judaea.”

Then Herod asked the magi
to tell him the exact time
they had seen the star in the east.
When they told him, Herod said,

“Go to Bethlehem and find out all you can about this child.
When you have found him, come back and tell me,
so that I may go, too, and worship him.”

And so they left for Bethlehem.
The star, which they had seen in the east,
went ahead of them,
and it stopped over the place where Jesus was.

When they went in,
they found the child with Mary, his mother.
They were filled with joy.
They knelt down and worshipped Jesus,
and they gave him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

That night, God told the magi in a dream
not to go back to Herod.
So they went back to their own country by another way.

The Gospel of the Lord.