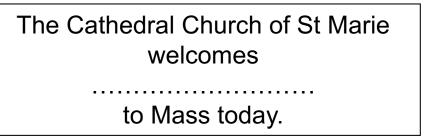
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The Wise Men Seek Jesus

The Epiphany Of The Lord.

After Jesus was born, some wise men, also called Magi, saw a star in the sky which they believed announced the birth of a king. They traveled to Jerusalem and began to ask, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him."

Herod heard about the Magi and their search for a king and he was deeply disturbed. He called a meeting of the priests and teachers of religious law and asked, "Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?" The priests told Herod that the prophet Micah had written that the Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem. So Herod called for private meeting with the wise men and said to them, "Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!"

As you know, the wise men did not have a map to guide them to Bethlehem, but they had something even better -- they had a star to guide them. So the wise men followed information that the priests had given to Herod and the star that God had given to guide them and it led them right to Jesus. When they found him, they gave him gifts of gold, frankincense (incense) and myrrh, and bowed down and worshiped him.

The Magi were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and so when the time came, they returned to their own country a different way.

Decoder Puzzle

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words:

V	С	Υ	U	K	S	N	Z 8	W	0	Х	R	Н
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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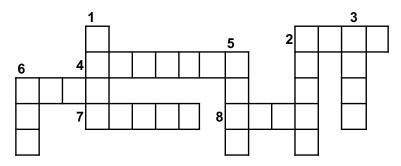
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- 2. 14-25-15-17_____
- 3. 14-3-12-13_____
- 4. 13-26-12-10-16____
- 5. 20-12-17-26-6-19-6
- 6. 6-19-25-12_____
- 7. 6-26-25-12-2-13_____
- 8. 5-17-7-15_____

Priests	Myrrh	King	Herod	Worship	
Star	Magi	Search	EMA		

Wise men, women, boys, and girls are still searching for Jesus today. There is no map to help us find Jesus and there is no star to follow, but we do have the Bible, and there are people around us who can help. By learning more about Jesus, we can make sure we are heading in the right direction!



Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- The wise men who visited Jesus and Mary and Joseph shortly after Jesus was born
- 4. A substance that is burned to produce a sweet smell
- 6. To come into existence by birth
- 7. Presents which are given without cost to the one receiving them
- 8. A twinkling point of light in the night sky

DOWN

- 1. A male ruler of a country
- A sticky substance with a strong smell which is used in making perfume
- 3. A valuable, shiny, yellow metal used to make coins and jewellery
- 5. The direction which is opposite to west
- To kneel or bend the head or body forward as a show of respect

Magi	Bow	Star	Gold
King	Gifts	Born	Myrrh
	ache Dravi		Incense

Children's Prayer

Dear Jesus. We seek you today because just like the wise men, we want to worship you and celebrate you being our king. Thank you for our priests and teachers who want to help us find you, and thank you for the Bible which we have been given to lead us to you. Please help us to listen well. Amen.

