

**The Following Collect, Epistle & Gospel will be read during the Eucharist today in the personal Chapel of the Presiding Archbishop of the Australian Church of Antioch, The Most Reverend Frank Bugge.**

**The Epiphany and 1st Sunday after.**

*(If Epiphany falls during the week)*

**Intent - Divine Guidance.**

*The same Collect, Epistle and Gospel shall serve until the Baptism of our Lord, on the 13th of January.*

**The Collect**

O Holy Father, we ask for zeal in the pursuit of gnosis as may lead all longing souls to your light; O shining star of wisdom and Holiness, to whom we present our adoration now and evermore. Amen.

**The Epistle for Epiphany is from the words of the Gnostic Fathers.**

When the Christ appeared among the aeons of light, and the chaos was dispersed and perfectly pacified, all the sons and daughters of wisdom sang hymns of great joy to the Spirit Father, sharing much delight. With one will and purpose, the entire fullness of the aeons - Christ and the Spirit were well pleased and the Father imposed his seal upon us all. And this is the most perfect beauty and star of the pleroma, a perfect fruit, Jesus who was also named the Avatar, Saviour, Christ and word of all, because the Avatar is from all.

**Here Endeth the epistle.**

**The Gospel for Epiphany is from the Gospel of Truth.**

Therefore, they who are Gnostic are truly beings from above. When they are called they hear; they answer; they direct themselves to the Godhead; and they apprehend how they are called. By possessing gnosis they hurry to do what pleases the Holy One we call God. They who possess knowledge know from where they come and to where they go. They understand as those who make themselves free, and awake from drunkenness where they used to live, and they return to themselves.

**Praise Be to Thee O Christ.**