

## PARISH DIRECTORY for Linwood - Aranui

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### Humour



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### The Bible Readings for today - the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ

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### INTRODUCTION

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### Call to Worship

Leader: O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

All: **The star in the dark sky heralded his coming.**

Leader: Led by the light of the star, the wise ones came to pay homage.

All: **We, too, come to the stable, seeking the infant King.**

Leader: Come, Arise! Shine! The light has come.

All: **God's light of love is shining upon us. Amen.**



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