Thought for the day – Monday 9th January 2023 By Revd John Marshall Epiphany The Magi Malcolm Guite

It might have been just someone else's story;

Some chosen people get a special king,

We leave them to their own particular glory,

We don't belong, it doesn't mean a thing.

But when these three arrive they bring us with them

Gentiles like us, their wisdom might be ours;

A steady step that finds an inner rhythm,

A pilgrim's eye that sees beyond the stars.

They did not know his name but still they sought him,

They came from otherwhere but still they found;

In palaces, found those who sold and bought him,

But in the filthy stable, hallowed ground.

Their courage gives our questing heart a voice.

To seek, to find, to worship, to rejoice.

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It is good to meditate on the visit of the Magi to Jesus and the Holy Family.