

St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

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SERVICE DETAILS

Sunday 8am: Holy Communion

Sunday 10am: Sung Eucharist (9.15am in January)

Wednesday 10am: Said Eucharist (not in January)

PARISH EVENTS

Morning Tea: After the 10am service every Sunday

Please see pew sheet notices for dates regarding Parish Lunches and Breakfasts

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THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Sunday
5 January
2020

Welcome to our Service today

8am – Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Geoff Cheong
(Assisting Priest: Fr Russell Joyce OAM)

Organist: Mr Edwin Kwong

152 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

BCP SERVICE – THE HOLY COMMUNION

OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

Friends of St Francis

Sunday 5 January:

9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

TODAY'S ROSTER – 5 JANUARY

8 AM		9.15 AM	
Sidespeople:		Sidespeople:	Kath Daly
Reader:	Fr Geoff	Reader:	Harold Daly
Chalice:		Chalice:	
Server:		Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Fr Geoff	Intercessions:	Fr Geoff

NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 12 JANUARY

8 AM		9.15 AM	
Sidespeople:	Cliff Simmons Marilyn Simmons	Sidespeople:	Sandra Cooper
Reader:	Cliff Simmons	Reader:	Barbara Duncan
Chalice:		Chalice:	
Server:	Priscilla van Reesema	Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Priscilla van Reesema	Intercessions:	Val Fielder

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Isaiah	Psalm	Acts	Matthew
42.1-9	29	10.34-43	3.13-17

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern (BuxWV 223) [How brightly shines the morning star] (Dieterich Buxtehude)

Introit Hymn: 47 NEH

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The Collect of the Day

Lord God of the nations,
we have seen the star of your glory rising in splendour:
may the brightness of your incarnate Word
pierce the night that covers the earth,
signal the dawn of justice and peace,
and beckon all nations to walk as one in your light.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
in the splendour of eternal light, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Epistle

The Epistle is written in the third Chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, beginning at the first Verse.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles – for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Hear endeth the Epistle.

Gradual Hymn: 51 NEH

The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel is written in the second Chapter of Matthew, beginning at the first Verse.

Glory to thee Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage.

Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Praise to thee Lord Christ.

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The Sermon

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Offertory Hymn: 36 NEH

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Communion music: Prelude in E Flat Major (William Henry Harris)

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Notices and invitations

Dismissal Hymn: 52 NEH

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Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in E minor (BWV 533) (JS Bach)

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES



+ Year's Mind

Mervyn Ohlmus – 6 January; Dorothy Whiting – 6 January;
Jean Arlington – 11 January

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS....

Sun 12 Jan The Baptism of our Lord
8am Holy Communion
9.15am Sung Eucharist

Sun 19 Jan Second Sunday after Epiphany
8am Holy Communion
9.15am Sung Eucharist

Sun 26 Jan Third Sunday after Epiphany
8am Holy Communion
9.15am Sung Eucharist

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note...

The Sunday services in January will be held at 8am and 9.15am (the 10am service time is now earlier – please note change of time).

There will be no Wednesday services and no morning tea on Sundays until February.

The Parish Office will be closed until mid / late January.

The Visit of the Magi

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. Matthew 2:11 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV).



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PRIESTS	MYRRH	BETHLEHEM	KING	CHRIST
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