

## St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

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### SERVICE DETAILS

**Sunday 8am:** Holy Communion

**Sunday 10am:** Sung Eucharist

**Wednesday 10am:** Said Eucharist

Baptisms, First Communions,  
Confirmations, Weddings and  
Funerals by arrangement

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 8am:** Book of  
Common Prayer (BCP)

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 10am:** Family Service  
with Sunday School

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month:** Healing Service  
follows the 10am Mass

### PARISH EVENTS

**Morning Tea:** After the 10am service every Sunday

**Parish Luncheon:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every 2<sup>nd</sup> month

**Parish Breakfast:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

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**FIRST  
SUNDAY  
AFTER  
CHRISTMAS**

*Sunday  
31 December  
2017*

**Welcome to our Services today**

**8am – Holy Communion**

**10am – Holy Communion**

**Celebrant & Preacher:** Fr Ron White

150 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

<b>Friends of St Francis</b>
<b>Sunday 31 December:</b>
9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

*The service begins on page 119 of the Prayer Book*

### *Sentence of Scripture*

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.

Luke 2.30–32

## TODAY'S ROSTER – 31 DECEMBER

8 AM		10 AM	
<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Cliff Simmons Marilyn Simmons	<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Val Fielder Mitch Porter
<b>Reader:</b>	Cliff Simmons	<b>Reader:</b>	Barbara Duncan
<b>Chalice:</b>		<b>Chalice:</b>	Mitch Porter
<b>Server:</b>		<b>Server:</b>	Harold Daly
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Priscilla van Reesema	<b>Intercessions:</b>	Alan Fielder

### *The Collect of the Day*

Saving God,  
 whose Son Jesus was presented in the temple  
 and was acclaimed the glory of Israel  
 and the light of the nations:  
 grant that in him we may be presented to you  
 and in the world may reflect his glory;  
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 7 JANUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Julie Johnston Rob Johnston	<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Sandra Cooper Kath Daly
<b>Reader:</b>	Fr Andre	<b>Reader:</b>	Kath Daly
<b>Chalice:</b>		<b>Chalice:</b>	Reg Davies
<b>Server:</b>		<b>Server:</b>	Mitch Porter
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Andre	<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Andre

### *A Reading from the Book of Isaiah*

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,  
 my whole being shall exult in my God;  
 for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
 he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
 as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
 and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
 For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
 and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
 so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise  
 to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
 and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
 until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
 and her salvation like a burning torch.  
 The nations shall see your vindication,  
 and all the kings your glory;

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Genesis	Psalm	Acts	Mark
1.1-5	29	19.1-7	1.4-11

and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the Lord will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Isaiah 61.10-62.3

Hear the Word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 148.7-13 (said antiphonally)*

7. O praise the Lord from the earth:  
praise him, you sea-monsters and all deeps;
8. **Fire and hail, mist and snow:  
and storm-wind fulfilling his command;**
9. Mountains and all hills:  
fruit trees and all cedars;
10. **Beasts of the wild, and all cattle:  
creeping things and winged birds;**
11. Kings of the earth, and all peoples:  
princes, and all rulers of the world;
12. **Young men and maidens:  
old folk and children together.**
13. Let them praise the name of the Lord:  
for his name alone is exalted.

*A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians*

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman,  
born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that  
we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has  
sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no  
longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Galatians 4.4-7

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**Thanks be to God.**

*We stand for the Gospel Reading*

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke  
chapter 2 beginning at verse 22  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they  
brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the  
law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'),  
and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a  
pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was  
righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy  
Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would  
not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit,  
Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus,  
to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms  
and praised God, saying,  
'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;  
for my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,  
a light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about  
him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is  
destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will  
be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword  
will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.  
She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her  
marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple  
but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment  
she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were  
looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they  
returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became  
strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

For the Gospel of the Lord,  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Notices and invitations

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES

+ Year's Mind



Ken Sampson – 31 December; Annie Leigh – 1 January  
 Hilbert Daff – 2 January; Mary Boyd – 2 January  
 Max Graham – 3 January; Beryl Kent – 3 January  
 Mervyn Ohlmus – 6 January; Dorothy Whiting – 6 January

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

Sun 7 Jan	<u>The Baptism of our Lord</u>
8am	Holy Communion Fr Andre Hassing
10am	Holy Communion Fr Andre Hassing
Sun 14 Jan	<u>Second Sunday after Epiphany</u>
8am	Holy Communion Fr Andre Hassing
10am	Holy Communion Fr Andre Hassing
Sun 21 Jan	<u>Third Sunday after Epiphany</u>
8am	Holy Communion Fr Andre Hassing
10am	Holy Communion Fr Andre Hassing
Sun 28 Jan	<u>Fourth Sunday after Epiphany</u>
8am	Holy Communion Fr Ron White
10am	Holy Communion Fr Ron White

We wish all parishioners and their families a happy and fulfilling New Year!



NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note...

Fr Ron is on leave from Tuesday 2 January to Tuesday 23 January (inc). If you require a priest during this time please contact Fr Andre Hassing or one of the Wardens.

Fr Andre will be taking the services on Sunday 7, 14 & 21 January.

The Parish Office will be closed until Wednesday 24 January.

A reminder

During the month of January there will be no organist and choir and no Wednesday / weekday services; morning tea following the 10am service will resume in February.

Simeon Recognizes Jesus



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