

St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

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SERVICE DETAILS

Sunday 8am: Holy Communion

Baptisms, First Communions,

Sunday 10am: Sung Eucharist

Confirmations, Weddings and Funerals

Wednesday 10am: Said Eucharist

by arrangement

PARISH EVENTS

Morning Tea: After the 10am service every Sunday

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

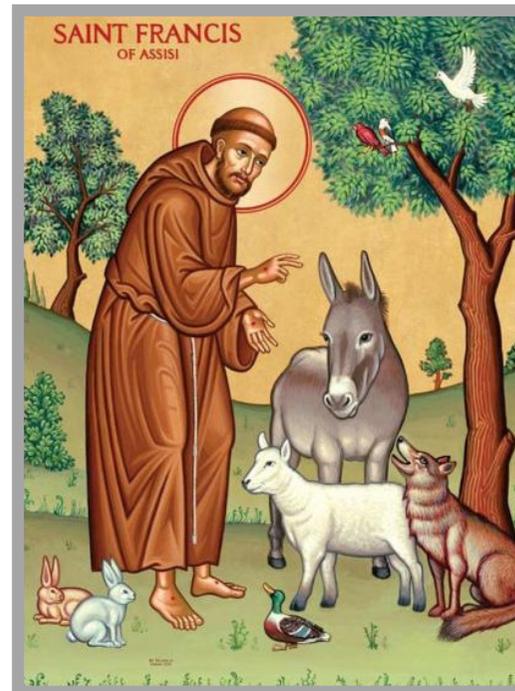
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**FRANCIS
OF ASSISI:
FRIAR &
PREACHER**

**Sunday
6 October
2019**

Welcome to our Service today

10am – Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Tony Poole

Organist: Mr Edwin Kwong

152 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

St Matthew's

Wednesday 9 October:

Please note: there is no 10am service today

Friends of St Francis

Sunday 6 October:

9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

TODAY'S ROSTER – 6 OCTOBER

8 AM		10 AM	
Sidespeople:		Sidespeople:	Sandra Cooper Kath Daly
Reader:	Fr Tony	Reader:	Deborah Howard
Chalice:		Chalice:	
Server:	Priscilla van Reesema	Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Fr Tony	Intercessions:	Fr Tony

NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 13 OCTOBER

8 AM		10 AM	
Sidespeople:		Sidespeople:	
Reader:		Reader:	Val Fielder
Chalice:		Chalice:	
Server:	Priscilla van Reesema	Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Priscilla van Reesema	Intercessions:	Harold Daly

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jeremiah	Psalm	2 Timothy	Luke
29.1, 4-7	66.1-11	2.8-15	17.11-19

THE HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Prelude: Cantilene from Organ Sonata No. 11 in D minor, Op. 148
(Josef Rheinberger)*

Introit Hymn: 388 NEH

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2. People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name.
3. Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.
4. Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the long Amen.

Words: Isaac Watts 1674-1748
The New English Hymnal

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The priest greets the people

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sentence of Scripture

May God, the Lord of the harvest, bring to fruition all that he desires for his creation.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The two Great Commandments

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

'Lord, have mercy'

**Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

The Hymn of Praise, Gloria in excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect for Francis of Assisi

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the child-like and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of Micah

'With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?'
He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

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

Micah 6.6-8

Psalm 148:7-14 (said antiphonally)

7. Praise the Lord from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps,
8. **fire and hail, snow and frost,
stormy wind fulfilling his command!**
9. Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!
10. **Wild animals and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds!**
11. Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!
12. **Young men and women alike,
old and young together!**
13. Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.
14. **He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are close to him.
Praise the Lord!**

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule – peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Galatians 6.14-18

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

Gradual Hymn: 428 NEH

1. O Son of God, eternal Love,
Who came in mercy from above
To bring to men the Father's grace,
And sanctify a ransomed race.
2. Illumine every Christian mind,
And grant us through your Word to find
The truth that sets the bondsman free,
The service that is liberty.
3. To Christ whose blood for us was shed,
Who rose victorious from the dead,
Whose glory all the saints adore,
Be endless praise for evermore.

Words: G.B. Timms b 1920
The New English Hymnal

Remain standing for the Gospel Reading

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke
chapter 12 beginning at verse 22
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you – you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.'

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

Silence may follow

The Nicene Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge

the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son

is worshipped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the

forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The priest says

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The prayers may conclude with

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith

we may by your grace receive,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

Silence may be kept

Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord in penitence and faith.

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution. The priest says

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

All stand. The Greeting of Peace is introduced

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God,
**through Christ our Lord,
who came and preached peace
to those who were far off and those who were near.**

The priest says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace

Offertory Hymn: 717 A&M

1. Lord, make us servants of your peace:
Where there is hate, may we sow love;
Where there is hurt, may we forgive;
Where there is strife, may we make one.
2. Where all is doubt, may we sow faith;
Where all is gloom, may we sow hope;
Where all is night, may we sow light;
Where all is tears, may we sow joy.
3. Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek
To be consoled, but to console,
Nor look to understanding hearts,
But look for hearts to understand.
4. May we not look for love's return,
But seek to love unselfishly,
For in our giving we receive,
And in forgiving are forgiven.
5. Dying we live, and are reborn
Through death's dark night to endless day;
Lord, make us servants of your peace
To wake at last in heaven's light.

The gifts of the people having been brought to the Altar:
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.

Words: James Quinn, SJ 1919-210
from a prayer of St Francis of Assisi: 1182-1226
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Hymns & Songs for Refreshing Worship

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

[The Lord be with you.

And also with you.]

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks because
you have called us into the fellowship of Francis
and all your saints,
and set before us the example of their witness
and the fruit of your Spirit in their lives.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

When the fullness of time was come,
you sent your Son to be born of Mary.

Bright image of your glory,
he learnt obedience to you in all things,
even to death on a cross,
breaking the power of evil,
freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.

You raised him from death,
exalting him to glory,
and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed
your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends,
his companions on the way.

While at table he took bread,
blessed, and broke it,
and giving it to them, said:
'Take, eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine,
and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said,
'This is my blood of the covenant,
which is poured out for many.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

You have gathered us together
to feed on Christ
and to remember all he has done for us:

Fill us with your Spirit
that we may follow Jesus
in all we do and say,
working for justice and bringing your peace
to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We who are many are one body in Christ,
for we all share in the one bread.

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

The invitation to receive Holy Communion

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*The sacrament is given with the following words, after which the communicant responds **Amen***

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Music during Communion: God be in my head (Henry Walford Davies)

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The priest says

Gracious God,
we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love.
Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving
and help us to grow in love and obedience
that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table
where Francis and all your saints feast with you for ever.

Father,
**we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Notices and invitations

Dismissal Hymn: 408 NEH

1. Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.
2. Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

3. Finish then thy new creation,
 Pure and spotless let us be;
 Let us see thy great salvation,
 Perfectly restored in thee,
 Changed from glory into glory,
 Till in heaven we take our place,
 Till we cast our crowns before thee,
 Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Words: Charles Wesley 1707-88
 The New English Hymnal

The priest says

May God who clothes the wattle and feeds the birds of the sky,
 who leads the lambs to pasture and the animals of the bush to water,
 who multiplied loaves and fishes and changed water into wine,
 lead us, feed us, multiply us, and change us
 to reflect the glory of our Creator now and through all eternity;
 and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The priest or deacon says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

From a Prayer Book for Australia.
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Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in C Major (BWV 553) (JS Bach)



You are welcome to stay and enjoy a cuppa
 and a chat in the Hall after the service!

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE WEEK

Happy Birthday!

Pat Ward – 11 October



† Year's Mind

Lesley Fraser – 7 October



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD....

Sun 6 Oct	12 noon	Blessing of the Animals followed by a sausage sizzle in the Hall
Wed 9 Oct	7.30pm	There is no 10am service today Parish Council, Parish Office
Sun 13 Oct	8am 10am	<u>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</u> Holy Communion Sung Eucharist

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Welcome!

A warm welcome to Fr Tony Poole who will be taking our Sunday services
 for the next two weeks – 13 & 20 October.

Blessing of the Animals!

All pets great & small are welcome!
Service today at 12 noon
 followed by a sausage sizzle in the Hall.
 Each animal will receive a blessing
 and a special medallion.
 All animals must be
 brought in carriers or on
 leashes. Tell your
 neighbours and friends!



Sausage Sizzle Today

Don't forget our Sausage Sizzle is being
 held **TODAY** in the Hall **after** our
 Blessing of the Animals service.
 Remember that we will be hosting
 visitors from the Blessing of the
 Animals service so please
 make them (and their pets!)
 feel welcome.



Church services during October

Fr Geoff is on holidays until Monday 21 October.
 Please note: there will be **no** Wednesday services whilst Fr Geoff is away.
 Services will resume on Wednesday 23 October.

St Francis Patronal Festival!



Congratulations to the Friends of St Francis as they celebrate their Patronal Festival today!

2020 Lectionaries

If you would like to purchase a lectionary please put \$15 inside a named envelope marked '2020 Lectionary' and either place in the plate during the offertory or hand it in at the Parish Office.

Australian Anglican Church Calendars 2020

We are now taking orders for the Australian Anglican Church Calendar 2020. Please consider buying one for home, the office or as a gift (an excellent Christmas present!). If you would like to order one please put \$15 into an envelope marked 'Calendar 2020' with your name on it and drop it into the Parish Office or place in the plate during the offertory.



The Melbourne Anglican (TMA)

The October edition of TMA is now available in the Narthex. Don't forget to pick up your copy, read it and pass it on.

Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting will be held this Wednesday, 9 October, at 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

All Saints Day

We are celebrating All Saints Day on Sunday 3 November. If you would like to have the name of a loved one (who has died in the Lord) remembered at the Altar on this day, please check the list in the Narthex and add any **NEW** names.



Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of St Matthew's Anglican Church will be held on Sunday 17 November at 11.30am.

Parish Group Reports for AGM

All reports for the Annual Meeting need to be received by Sunday 3 November, please hand in to the Parish Office.



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Animals in the Bible

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