

St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

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SERVICE DETAILS

Sunday 8am: Holy Communion

Sunday 10am: Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 10am: Mass

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

PARISH EVENTS

Morning Tea: After the 10am service every Sunday

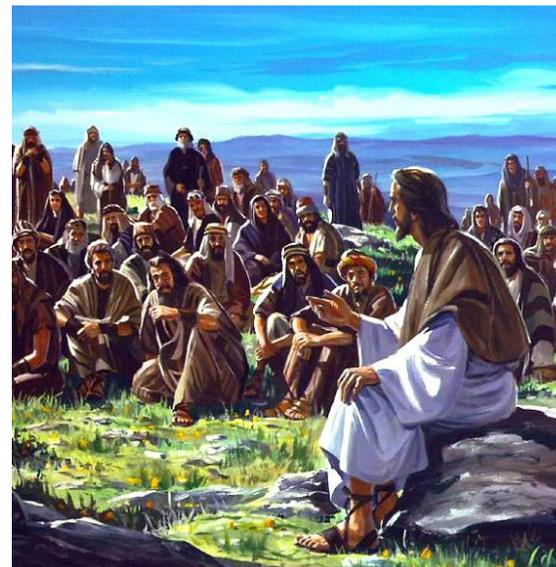
Parish Luncheon: 1st Sunday of every 2nd month

Parish Breakfast: 5th Sunday of the month

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday
17 February
2019

Welcome to our Services today

8am – Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Roger Williams

10am – Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Roger Williams

Organist: Mr Hume McGrath

151 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

St Matthew's

Wednesday 20 February:

10am Mass: William Grant Broughton – Fr Ray McInnes

Friends of St Francis

Sunday 17 February:

9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

TODAY'S ROSTER – 17 FEBRUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
Sidespeople:	Julie Johnston Rob Johnston	Sidespeople:	Len Evans
Reader:	Priscilla van Reesema	Reader:	Deborah Howard
Chalice:		Chalice:	Len Evans
Server:		Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Vicki Hutton	Intercessions:	Val Fielder

NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 24 FEBRUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
Sidespeople:	Cliff Simmons Marilyn Simmons	Sidespeople:	Val Fielder
Reader:	Vicki Hutton	Reader:	Val Fielder
Chalice:		Chalice:	
Server:	Priscilla van Reesema	Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Cliff Simmons	Intercessions:	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Genesis	Psalm	1 Corinthians	Luke
45.3-11, 15	37.1-11, 40-41	15.35-50	6.27-38

THE HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Introit Hymn: 160 TIS (10am only)

1. Father all-loving and ruling in majesty,
Judgment is yours, and condemns all our pride;
Stir up our rulers and people to penitence,
Sorrow for sins that for vengeance have cried.
2. Blessèd Lord Jesus, born humbly in poverty,
Sharing a stable with beasts at your birth,
Stir us to work for your justice and charity,
Truly to care for the poor upon earth.
3. Come, Holy Spirit, create in us holiness,
Lift up our lives to your standard of right;
Stir every will to new ventures of faithfulness,
Flood the whole church with your glorious light.
4. Holiest Trinity, perfect in unity,
Bind in your love every nation and race:
May we adore you for time and eternity
Father, Redeemer and Spirit of grace.

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Together In Song

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

Blessed are you when people hate you on account of the Son of man.

Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

Luke 6.23

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' (8am only)

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

'Lord, have mercy' (10am only)

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 of the Day

Righteous God,
you challenge the powers that rule this world
and you show favour to the oppressed:
instil in us a true sense of justice,
that we may discern the signs of your kingdom
and strive for right to prevail;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Thus says the Lord:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.
They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse –
who can understand it?
I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Jeremiah 17.5-10

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

Psalm 1 (said antiphonally)

1. Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly:
nor followed the way of sinners,
nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.
2. **But their delight is in the law of the Lord:
and on that law will they ponder day and night.**
3. They are like trees planted beside streams of water:
that yield their fruit in due season.
4. **Their leaves also shall not wither:
and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.**
5. As for the ungodly, it is not so with them:
they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.
6. **Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement:
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.**
7. For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous:
but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ – whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been

raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

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

Gradual Hymn: 143 TIS (10am only)

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might;
Your justice like mountains high soaring above,
Your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small,
In all life now living, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,
Then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.
4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Your angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
Of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart –
Take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.
5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight
What hides you is only the splendour of light;
And so let your glory, Almighty, impart,
Through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

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Together in Song

Remain standing for the Gospel Reading

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke
chapter 6 beginning at verse 17
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Silence may be kept

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins 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 the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

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: 560 TIS (10am only)

1. All my hope on God is founded;
All my trust he will renew,
Through all change and chance he guides me,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.
2. Human pride and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray our trust;
All we build with care and labour,
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
Hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.
3. God's great goodness lasts for ever,
Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light and life attend him,
Beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

4. Daily the almighty giver
Will his bounteous gifts bestow;
In his will our souls find pleasure,
Leading us where'er we go.
Love will stand
At his hand,
Joy shall wait for his command.

5. Still from earth to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Hear Christ call
One and all:
Those who follow shall not fall.

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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.

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.

You anointed him as Messiah,
the light of the nations,
and revealed him as the hope
of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

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.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying / 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.**

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:

**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

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

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

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The priest says

God of the nations,
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.
Guide us by your presence,
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,
and establish your justice in the earth.

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: 390 TIS (10am only)

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth;
He is the king of creation.

Refrain

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain

3. We have been crucified with Christ;
Now we shall live for ever.

Refrain

4. God has proclaimed his gracious gift:
New life for all! Alleluia!

Refrain

5. Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

Refrain

The priest says

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;
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.

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You are welcome to stay and enjoy a cuppa
and a chat in the Hall after the 10am service!

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE WEEK

Happy Birthday!

Vivienne Evans – 20 February



Happy Anniversary!

Don & Joan Leslie – 19 February



† Year's Mind Muriel Dickson – 23 February



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD....

Wed 20 Feb 10am Mass: William Grant Broughton

Thurs 21 Feb 12pm Fr Ray at CHN
1pm Locum Vicar & Wardens meeting

Fri 22 Feb 11am Aged Care Ministry, Autumdale Lodge

Sun 24 Feb Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

8am Holy Communion

10am Sung Eucharist

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

The Next Roster

If you will be away on any Sunday
during the March – May period for
roster duties please fill in the list in the
Narthex. If you are not on the roster
but would like to be, please write on
the list.

The Melbourne Anglican (TMA)



The February edition of
TMA is now available in
the Narthex.
Don't forget to pick up
your copy!

Parish Consultation

A consultation of all parishioners will be held on Sunday 3 March at 11.30am.
This meeting is a vital one as we begin to prepare for the next Vicar
and new phase of ministry.

Friends of St Francis

The Friends of St Francis Fellowship Group will hold their first meeting for the year on Monday 25 February at 1.30pm at the home of Shirley Marriott, 8 Ramsay Court, Cheltenham. It will be a planning meeting for the year's program. All very welcome.

Mothers' Union



Mothers' Union will meet on Wednesday 27 February for the 10am Mass. New members welcome. Contact Sandra on 9515 3381.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is 6 March, please bring your palm crosses on or before Sunday 3 March. The service for Ash Wednesday will be held at 10am – Mass with Blessing and Imposition of Ashes.



Dear people of St Matthew's

My thanks to Fr Roger Williams who returns today to enable me to fulfil some trailing commitments at St Paul's Cathedral. My duties at the Cathedral include preaching at the 3 services, a Baptism and celebrating the Eucharist. After the Choral Service the Dean will be launching my first exhibition of paintings 'Danube & beyond'. I hope you get a chance to see it sometime (it runs until just after Easter). Proceeds from the sale of paintings and limited edition prints go towards the Cathedral's Canon Missioner Fund.

We had a Parish Council meeting this week and I am beginning to get my head around St Matthew's Parish. I do believe the Parish is at an important crossroad and hence the forthcoming Consultation looms as a significant meeting of parishioners. I sense that much more energy and support is needed - please help with rosters, working bees or if you like, have a chat to me about what you could do to help.

Every blessing in the Lord,
Fr Ray McInnes.

The Sermon on the Plain



"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their fathers treated the prophets. Luke 6:23 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 6:17-26 (NIV).

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