

## 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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## THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Sunday  
6 January  
2019

**Welcome to our Service today**

**10am – Sung Eucharist**

**Celebrant & Preacher:** Fr Ron White

**Organist:** Mrs Marlene Davies

151 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

## OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

### Friends of St Francis

Sunday 6 January:

9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

## TODAY'S ROSTER – 6 JANUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Julie Johnston Rob Johnston	<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Sandra Cooper
<b>Reader:</b>	Fr Ron	<b>Reader:</b>	Deborah Howard
<b>Chalice:</b>		<b>Chalice:</b>	
<b>Server:</b>		<b>Server:</b>	Harold Daly
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Ron	<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Ron

## NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 13 JANUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Cliff Simmons Marilyn Simmons	<b>Sidespeople:</b>	
<b>Reader:</b>	Marilyn Simmons	<b>Reader:</b>	Sue Polites
<b>Chalice:</b>		<b>Chalice:</b>	Harold Daly
<b>Server:</b>	Priscilla van Reesema	<b>Server:</b>	Mitch Porter
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Priscilla van Reesema	<b>Intercessions:</b>	Deborah Howard

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

Isaiah	Psalm	Acts	Luke
43.1-7	29	8.14-17	3.15-22

## PARISH ANNIVERSARIES

† *Year's Mind*

Mervyn Ohlmus – 6 January; Dorothy Whiting – 6 January;  
Jean Arlington – 11 January; Betty Bolton – 13 January



# THE HOLY COMMUNION

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

*Introit Hymn: 47 NEH omit v 5*

*Sentence of Scripture*

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Isaiah 60.1

*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.**

*A Reading from the Book of Isaiah*

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Isaiah 60.1-6

Hear the Word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 72.1-7, 10-14 (said antiphonally)*

1. Give the king your judgement, O God:  
and your righteousness to the son of a king,
2. **That he may judge your people rightly:  
and the poor of the land with equity.**
3. Let the mountains be laden with peace  
because of his righteousness:  
and the hills also with prosperity for his people.
4. **May he give justice to the poor among the people:  
and rescue the children of the needy,  
and crush the oppressor.**
5. May he live while the sun endures:  
and while the moon gives light,  
throughout all generations.
6. **May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:  
and as showers that water the earth.**
7. In his time shall righteousness flourish:  
and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.
10. **The kings of Tarshish and of the isles  
shall bring tribute:  
the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.**
11. All kings shall fall down before him:  
and all nations do him service.
12. **He will deliver the needy when they cry:  
and the poor that have no helper.**
13. He will pity the helpless and the needy:  
and save the lives of the poor.
14. **He will redeem them from oppression and violence:  
and their blood shall be precious in his sight.**

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

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.

*Ephesians 3.1-12*

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

*Gradual Hymn: 48 NEH*

*The Gospel Reading*

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew  
chapter 2 beginning at verse 12

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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.

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

*The Sermon*

*Page 123 then page 126*

*Offertory Hymn: 52 NEH*

*Page 127 then page 141*

*Notices and invitations*

*Dismissal Hymn: 268 TIS*

1. We three kings of Orient are;  
 Bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
 Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
 Following yonder star.

*O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still  
 proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect light*

2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
 Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
 King forever, ceasing never  
 Over us all to reign.

*O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still  
 proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect light*

3. Frankincense to offer have I;  
 Incense owns a Deity nigh;  
 Prayer and praising, all men raising,  
 Worship Him, God on high.

*O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still  
 proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect light*

4. Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume,  
 Breathes a life of gathering gloom:  
 Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding,  
 dying,  
 Yet from the tomb to rise.

*O star of wonder, star of night,  
 Star with royal beauty bright,  
 Westward leading, still  
 proceeding,  
 Guide us to thy perfect light*

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

Sun 13 Jan	<u>The Baptism of our Lord</u>
8am	Holy Communion
10am	Sung Eucharist
Sun 20 Jan	<u>Second Sunday after Epiphany</u> <u>Fr Ron's last Sunday services</u>
8am	Holy Communion
10am	Sung Eucharist followed by morning tea
Fri 25 Jan	<u>Conversion of St Paul</u> <u>40th Anniversary of Fr Ron's Deaconing</u>
6pm	Mass followed by refreshments

## NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

### Retirement fast approaching!

As you are all aware, Fr Ron will be retiring on Friday 25 January 2019 (the 40th Anniversary of his Deaconing). There will be a special service on this day to celebrate this occasion at 6pm.

His last Sunday services will be on Sunday 20 January.  
 A presentation will be made to Fr Ron at morning tea.

If parishioners would like to make a contribution towards his gift please put this in an envelope marked 'Fr Ron's Presentation' and place in the Offertory Plate or hand it into the Parish Office.

Parishioners are invited to bring a plate of cold finger food (sandwiches, slices, nibbles etc) on Sunday 20 January for the morning tea.

### A reminder

The Parish Office will be closed until mid January.  
 During the month of January there will be no Wednesday services.  
 Apart from the morning tea for Fr Ron on Sunday 20 January, there will be no morning tea until February.