

# St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

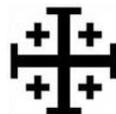
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## SERVICE DETAILS

**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 (Dec)

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

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## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday  
18 November  
2018

### Welcome to our Services today

**8am – Holy Communion**

**Celebrant & Preacher:** Fr Ron White

**10am – Sung Eucharist**

**Celebrant & Preacher:** Fr Ron White

**Organist:** Mrs Marlene Davies

+ The flowers in the church today are in memory of Colin Polites +

151 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

## OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

### St Matthew's

**Wednesday 21 November:**  
10am Mass – Fr Ron White

### Friends of St Francis

**Sunday 18 November:**  
9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

## TODAY'S ROSTER – 18 NOVEMBER

| 8 AM                  |                                | 10 AM                 |                        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Sidespeople:</b>   | Julie Johnston<br>Rob Johnston | <b>Sidespeople:</b>   | Len Evans<br>Derek Pay |
| <b>Reader:</b>        | Priscilla van Reesema          | <b>Reader:</b>        | Val Fielder            |
| <b>Chalice:</b>       |                                | <b>Chalice:</b>       | Len Evans              |
| <b>Server:</b>        |                                | <b>Server:</b>        | Harold Daly            |
| <b>Intercessions:</b> | Vicki Hutton                   | <b>Intercessions:</b> | Fr Ron                 |

## NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 25 NOVEMBER

| 8 AM                  |                                  | 10 AM                 |                             |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Sidespeople:</b>   | Cliff Simmons<br>Marilyn Simmons | <b>Sidespeople:</b>   | Val Fielder<br>Mitch Porter |
| <b>Reader:</b>        | Vicki Hutton                     | <b>Reader:</b>        |                             |
| <b>Chalice:</b>       |                                  | <b>Chalice:</b>       |                             |
| <b>Server:</b>        | Priscilla van Reesema            | <b>Server:</b>        | Harold Daly                 |
| <b>Intercessions:</b> | Cliff Simmons                    | <b>Intercessions:</b> | Mitch Porter                |

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – CHRIST THE KING

| Daniel       | Psalm | Revelation | John     |
|--------------|-------|------------|----------|
| 7.9-10,13-14 | 93    | 1.4b-8     | 18.33-37 |

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Introit Hymn: 362 NEH (10am only)*

- Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Sion, city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken  
Formed thee for his own abode:  
On the Rock of Ages founded,  
What can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
- See, the streams of living waters,  
Springing from eternal love,  
Well supply thy sons and daughters,  
And all fear of want remove:  
Who can faint, while such a river  
Ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord the giver,  
Never fails from age to age.
- Saviour, if of Sion's city  
I through grace a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name:  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
All his boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasure  
None but Sion's children know.

Words: John Newton 1725-1807  
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*

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed.

1 Samuel 2.10

**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*

Almighty God,  
whose sovereign purpose none can make void:  
give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world,  
knowing that your kingdom shall come and your will be done,  
to your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*A Reading from the First Book of Samuel*

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year after year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?' After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: 'O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch

his head.' As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, 'How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.' But Hannah answered, 'No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.' Then Eli answered, 'Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.' And she said, 'Let your servant find favour in your sight.' Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.'

1 Samuel 1.4-20

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

*Song of Hannah*

**R My soul magnifies the Lord R**

My heart exults in the Lord:  
my strength is exalted in my God.

My mouth derides my enemies:  
because I rejoice in your salvation. **R**

There is no Holy One like you, O Lord:  
nor any Rock like you, our God.

For you are a God of knowledge:  
and by you our actions are weighed. **R**

The bows of the mighty are broken:  
but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full now search for bread:  
but those who were hungry are well fed. **R**

The barren woman has borne sevenfold:  
but she who has many children is forlorn.

Both the poor and the rich are of your making:  
you bring low and you also exalt. **R**

You raise up the poor from the dust:  
and lift the needy from the ash heap.

You make them sit with the rulers:  
and inherit a place of honour.

For the pillars of the earth are yours:  
and on them you have set the world. **R**

*A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews*

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25

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

*Gradual Hymn: 394 NEH (10am only)*

1. Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!  
The heavens are not too high,  
His praise may thither fly;  
The earth is not too low,  
His praises there may grow.  
Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!

2. Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!  
The Church with psalms must shout,  
No door can keep them out;  
But above all, the heart  
Must bear the longest part.  
Let all the world in every corner sing,  
My God and King!

Words: George Herbert 1593-1633  
The New English Hymnal

*Remain standing for the Gospel Reading*

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark  
chapter 13 beginning at verse 1  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs. 'As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them. And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. When they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.

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

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

*Silence may be kept*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

**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: 381 NEH (10am only)*

1. Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest,  
Beneath thy contemplation  
Sink heart and voice oppress.  
I know not, O I know not,  
What social joys are there,  
What radiancy of glory,  
What light beyond compare.
2. They stand, those halls of Sion,  
Conjubilant with song,  
And bright with many an angel,  
And all the martyr throng;  
The Prince is ever in them,  
The daylight is serene,  
The pastures of the blessed  
Are decked in glorious sheen.
3. There is the throne of David,  
And there, from care released,  
The song of them that triumph,  
The shout of them that feast;  
And they who, with their Leader,  
Have conquered in the fight,  
For ever and for ever  
Are clad in robes of white.
4. O sweet and blessed country,  
Shall I ever see thy face?  
O sweet and blessed country,  
Shall I ever win thy grace?  
Exult, O dust and ashes!  
The Lord shall be thy part:  
His only, his for ever  
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

Words: vv 1-3 Bernard of Cluny 12th century  
T.J.M. Neale 1858-66  
V 4, Hymns Ancient and Modern 1861  
The New English Hymnal

*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.**

It is right to praise you, faithful God,

always and everywhere,

for with your only begotten Son

and life-giving Spirit,

you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing

a universe of beauty and splendour,

bringing light from darkness

and order from chaos.

You formed us, male and female, in your image,

and endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.

You called us by name and searched us out,

making a covenant of mercy,

giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you,

joining with your faithful people of every time and place,

proclaiming the eternal words / singing the eternal song:

**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.**

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command,

we remember his life of obedience to you,

his suffering and death,

his resurrection and exaltation,

and his promise to be with us for ever.

With this bread and this cup

we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,

and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration

that all who eat and drink at this table

may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood

to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people,

may we proclaim the everlasting gospel

of Jesus Christ our Lord,

through whom, with whom, and in whom,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever.

**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.**

*Post Communion Hymn: 306 NEH (10am only) (please kneel if possible)*

1. Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands  
That holy things have taken;  
Let ears that now have heard thy songs  
To clamour never waken.

2. Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang  
Keep free from all deceiving;  
The eyes which saw thy love be bright,  
Thy blessed hope perceiving.
3. The feet that tread thy holy courts  
From light do thou not banish;  
The bodies by thy Body fed  
With thy new life replenish.

Words: Syrian, 4th Century  
Tr C.W. Humphreys 1840-1921 and  
Percy Dearmer 1867-1936  
The New English Hymnal

## 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 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: 409 NEH (10am only)*

1. Love of the Father, Love of God the Son,  
From whom all came, in whom was all begun;  
Who formest heavenly beauty out of strife,  
Creation's whole desire and breath of life:

2. Thou the All-holy, thou supreme in might,  
Thou dost give peace, thy presence maketh right;  
Thou with thy favour all things dost enfold,  
With thine all-kindness free from harm wilt hold.
3. Hope of all comfort, splendour of all aid,  
That dost not fail nor leave the heart afraid:  
To all that cry thou dost all help accord,  
The angels' armour and the saints' reward.
4. Purest and highest, wisest and most just,  
There is no truth save only in thy trust;  
Thou dost the mind from earthly dreams recall,  
And bring, through Christ, to him for whom are all.
5. Eternal Glory, all do thee adore,  
Who art and shalt be worshiped evermore:  
Us whom thou madest, comfort with thy might,  
And lead us to enjoy thy heavenly light.

Words: paraphrase by Robert Bridges, 1899  
The New English Hymnal

*The priest says*

The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;  
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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You are welcome to stay and enjoy a cuppa  
and a chat in the Hall after the 10am service!

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE WEEK

*† Year's Mind*

Millicent Wasley – 18 November; David Reynolds – 19 November;  
Gillian Warren – 23 November



CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD....

|            |         |  |
|------------|---------|--|
| Wed 21 Nov | 10am    | Mass   |
|            |         | Mothers' Union follows the 10am Mass, then lunch |
|            | 7.30pm  | Parish Council, Parish Office                    |
| Fri 23 Nov | 11am    | Aged Care Ministry, Autumdale Lodge              |
| Sun 25 Nov |         | <u>Christ the King</u>                           |
|            | 8am     | Holy Communion                                   |
|            | 10am    | Sung Eucharist                                   |
|            | 11.30am | St Matthew's Annual General Meeting, Hall        |

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of  
St Matthew's Anglican Church  
will be held on  
Sunday 25 November at 11.30am.  
All parishioners are invited  
to attend.

Parish Reports for 2017 / 2018

The Parish Reports for the year ended  
30 September 2018 are now available  
for collection by parishioners,  
only one per family please to ensure  
we have enough copies to go around.  
Please bring your copy to the AGM.

Nomination & Electoral Roll Forms

If you would like to nominate someone for Parish Council, Churchwarden or  
Incumbency Committee please fill out the nomination form.  
If you are currently not on the Electoral Roll and would like to be  
please fill out the 'Application for enrolment on Church Electoral Roll' form.  
Forms are available in the Narthex and must be handed into the  
Parish Office by this Tuesday, 20 November to be accepted.

## Electoral Roll

As a requirement of the Parish Governance Act, a list with names of Parishioners who are on the Electoral Roll needs to be displayed before the Annual General Meeting. This list is in the Narthex for your perusal.

### Last Parish lunch for the year!

Our last Parish lunch for the year will be held on Sunday 2 December, in the Hall around 12 noon.

Please bring a salad or dessert

(or both!) to share.

All very welcome!



### The Next Roster

Please write on the list in the Narthex if you will be away on any Sunday during the December – February period for roster duties. If you are currently not on the roster and would like to be, please write the duty / duties that you would like to do.

## Bible Study

There will be a special bible study following the Wednesday 10am Mass starting on Wednesday 28 November (please note change of date). The study will occur over 4 weeks and the theme will be some of the 'hard' parts of the ministry of Jesus.

## Friends of St Francis

The Friends of St Francis Fellowship Group will hold their end of year Break-up Christmas Luncheon on Monday 26 November at 12 noon at the Cheltenham Moorabbin RSL (opposite DFO).

Please let Shirley Marriott know if you are able to attend All very welcome!

## The Melbourne Anglican (TMA)

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



## Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting will be held this Wednesday, 21 November at 7.30pm in the Parish Office (please note change of date).

## Empty Christmas Tree



Our Empty Christmas Tree is now up and waiting for you to place presents underneath!

Toys are needed for children aged 5 – 12 yrs.

For teenagers please consider gift vouchers so they can choose their own gifts.

Food is needed for singles and families.

Below are some suggestions.

### FOOD IDEAS

Cereals

Christmas Cakes / Pudding / Mince Pies

Jam / Honey / Spread

Tinned goods

Lollies / Nuts

Pasta / Spaghetti

Tomato Paste or Sauce / Pasta Sauce

Savoury or Sweet Biscuits / Shortbread

### GIFT IDEAS

Art Materials

Backpack or Bag

Doll / Barbie

Bat & Ball / Football

Blocks / Lego / Duplo

Board Game

Rattle / Toys / Puzzle

Toiletries

Please see the full list in the Narthex and Hall.

We require them by **Sunday 2 December** for distribution to Dixon House.

## Mothers Union

Mothers' Union Christmas Break-up Lunch, this Wednesday, 21 November, at 12noon at the Cheltenham Moorabbin RSL (opposite DFO).

Some members have indicated they will meet for the 10am Mass and others will go direct to the RSL.

See you all on Wednesday. Sandra: phone 9515 3381



## Cheltenham Combined Churches: Ecumenical Carol Service

Sunday 2 December at 5pm

Our Lady of the Assumption (OLA),  
9 Centre Dandenong Road, Cheltenham.

All welcome!

