

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

St Matthew's Anglican Church Cheltenham



Corner Nepean Highway and Park Road

Cheltenham, Victoria, 3192

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TWENTY-
THIRD
SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST

Sunday
17 November
2019

Welcome to our Services today

8am – Holy Communion

10am – Sung Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Geoff Cheong

(Assisting Priest: Fr Russell Joyce OAM)

Organist: Mr Edwin Kwong

152 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

St Matthew's

Wednesday 20 November:
10am Mass – Fr Geoff Cheong

Friends of St Francis

Sunday 17 November:
9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

TODAY'S ROSTER – 17 NOVEMBER

8 AM		10 AM	
Sidespeople:		Sidespeople:	Sandra Cooper Kath Daly
Reader:	Priscilla van Reesema	Reader:	Lesley Boyd
Chalice:		Chalice:	
Server:	Priscilla van Reesema	Server:	Harold Daly
Intercessions:	Priscilla van Reesema	Intercessions:	Harold Daly

NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 24 NOVEMBER

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – CHRIST THE KING

Jeremiah 23.1-6	For the Psalm Song of Zechariah	Colossians 1.11-20	Luke 23.33-43
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THE HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude: An Old English Melody (Samuel Wesley, edited by AE Floyd)

Introit Hymn: 2 A&M

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.
2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

Words: Charles Wesley 1707-88
Ancient & Modern
Hymns & Songs for Refreshing Worship

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 the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways.

2 Thessalonians 3.16

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

Lord God of all the ages,
the One who is, who was, and who is to come:
stir up within us a longing for your kingdom,
keep our hearts steady in times of trial,
and grant us patient endurance until the Sun of justice dawns.
We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
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 Isaiah

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.
But be glad and rejoice for ever
in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,
and its people as a delight.
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.
No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
 They shall build houses and inhabit them;
 they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
 They shall not build and another inhabit;
 they shall not plant and another eat;
 for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
 and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
 They shall not labour in vain,
 or bear children for calamity;
 for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord —
 and their descendants as well.
 Before they call I will answer,
 while they are yet speaking I will hear.
 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
 the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
 but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
 They shall not hurt or destroy
 on all my holy mountain,
 says the Lord.

Isaiah 65.17-25

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

Song of Isaiah (said antiphonally)

'Behold, God is my salvation:
 I will trust and will not be afraid;
**'For the Lord God is my strength and my song:
 and has become my salvation.**

With joy you will draw water:
 from the wells of salvation.

**On that day you will say:
 'Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name;**

'Make known his deeds among the nations:
 proclaim that his name is exalted.

**'Sing God's praises, who has triumphed gloriously:
 let this be known in all the world.**

'Shout and sing for joy, you that dwell in Zion:
 for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.'

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

2 Thessalonians 3.6-13

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

Gradual Hymn: 608 A&M

1. Christ is our corner-stone,
 On him alone we build;
 With his true saints alone
 The courts of heaven are filled:
 On his great love
 Our hopes we place
 Of present grace
 And joys above.
2. O then with hymns of praise
 These hallowed courts shall ring;
 Our voices we will raise
 The Three in One to sing;
 And thus proclaim
 In joyful song,
 Both loud and long,
 That glorious name.

3. Here, gracious God, do thou
For evermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow,
And mark each suppliant sigh;
In copious shower
On all who pray
Each holy day
Thy blessings pour.

4. Here may we gain from heaven
The grace which we implore;
And may that grace, once given,
Be with us evermore,
Until that day
When all the blest
To endless rest
Are called away.

Words: John Chandler 1806-76
Ancient & Modern
Hymns & Songs for Refreshing Worship

Remain standing for the Gospel Reading

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke
chapter 21 beginning at verse 5
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents

will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

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: 746 A&M

1. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;
2. Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,

From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

4. A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.
6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

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.'

Words: Isaac Watts 1674-1748
Ancient & Modern
Hymns & Songs for Refreshing Worship

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.**

*Communion music: Vision from Twelve Characteristic Pieces, Op. 156
(Josef Rheinberger)*

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.

Most loving God,
you send us into the world you love.
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.

Notices and invitations

Dismissal Hymn: 546 A&M

- O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
 Consider all the works thy hand hath made,
 I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
 Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee,
 'How great thou art! How great thou art!'
 Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee,
 'How great thou art! How great thou art!'*

- When through the woods and forest glades I wander
 And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
 When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
 And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

Refrain

- And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
 Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
 That on the cross, our burden gladly bearing,
 He bled and died to take away my sin:

Refrain

- When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
 And take me home – what joy shall fill my heart!
 Then shall I bow in humble adoration
 And there proclaim, 'My God, how great thou art!'

Refrain

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 among 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.

Postlude: March from Ode for St Cecilia's Day (GF Handel)



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....

Sun 17 Nov	11.30am	St Matthew's Annual General Meeting, Hall
Wed 20 Nov	10am	Mass Mothers' Union follows the 10am Mass, then lunch
Fri 22 Nov	11am	Aged Care Ministry, Autumdale Lodge – Fr Andre
Sun 24 Nov		<u>Christ the King</u>
	8am	Holy Communion
	10am	Sung Eucharist

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual General Meeting Today

The Annual General Meeting of St Matthew's Anglican Church will be held TODAY in the Hall at 11.30am. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Parish Reports for 2018 / 2019

The Parish Reports for the year ended 30 September 2019 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.

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.

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.

Parish Lunch – Tudor Inn

Our final Parish Lunch for the year will be held at the Tudor Inn, 1281 Nepean Hwy, Cheltenham (across the highway!) on Sunday 1 December at 12pm.

Please write your name on the list if you are able to join us as we need to book a table. People will be responsible for the payment of meals and drinks and the Tudor Inn 'Shop A Docket' is a considerable saving so if you are not a couple – pair up!! 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!

Mothers Union



Mothers' Union Christmas Break-up Lunch this Wednesday, 20 November, at 12 noon 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. Contact Sandra 9515 3381.

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

Coffee / Tea bags
Christmas Cakes / Pudding / Mince Pies
Jam / Honey / Spreads
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
School supplies

Please see the full list in the Narthex and Hall.

We require them by Sunday 1 December for distribution to Dixon House.

Friends of St Francis

The Friends of St Francis Fellowship Group will hold their end of year Break-up Christmas Luncheon on Monday 25 November at 12 noon at the Cheltenham Moorabbin RSL (opposite DFO).

All very welcome to join us!