

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

WARNCLIFFE ROAD
EAST IVANHOE

ADVENT 4
18th DECEMBER 2016



SUNDAY

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Sung Eucharist

WEDNESDAY

10.00 am Holy Communion

FRIDAY

10.00 am Holy Communion – Dowell Court

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SERVICE ROSTER FOR TODAY

Priest:	Father Stuart Gardiner
Organist:	Roger Brown
Servers:	Neil Appleby, Sandra O'Grady, Chris Hayward
Eucharistic Assistants:	Neil Appleby
Readers:	Ann Fraquhar, Barry Wilkes
Sidespersons:	Rosemary Cotter, Bob Hill
Morning Tea:	Denise and George Hall
Hall Cleaning:	George Hall

The Order of Service for the Eucharist commences at Page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.' The readings and hymn numbers for today will be found in this pew bulletin.

Entry Hymn: 193 O come O come Emmanuel

SENTENCE: A virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel: God with us. Matthew 1.23

COLLECT

O Lord,
raise up your power and come among us,
and with great might succour us,
that, whereas through our sins and wickedness
we are sore let and hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

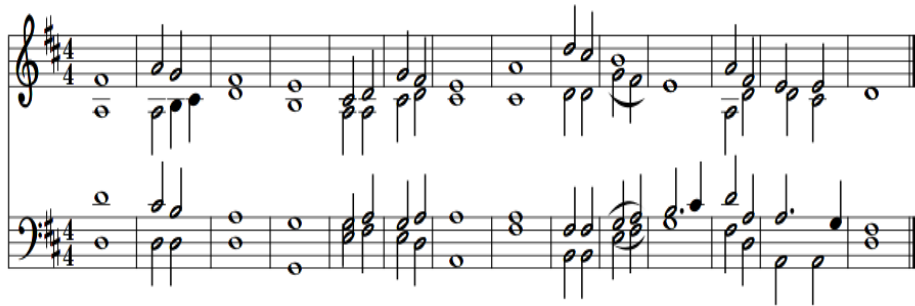
A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Isaiah 7.10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 80: 1-7,17-19



- 1 Hear O Shepherd of Israel
you that led | Joseph . like a | flock:
you that are enthroned upon the cherubim | shine | out in | glory;
- 2 Before Ephraim Benjamin | and Man|asseh:
stir up your | power and | come to | save us.
- 3+ *Restore us again 0 | Lord of | hosts:*
show us the light of your countenance | and we | shall be | saved.
- 4 O Lord | God of | hosts:
how long will you be | angry . at your | people's | prayer?
- 5 You have fed them with the | bread of | tears:
and given them tears to | drink in | good | measure.
- 6 You have made us the victim | of our | neighbours:
and our | ene-mies | laugh us . to | scorn.
- 7 Restore us again 0 | Lord of | hosts:
show us the light of your countenance | and we | shall be | saved.
- 17 Let your power rest on the man at your | right | hand:
on that son of man whom you | made so | strong . for your|self.
- 18 And so we shall | not turn | back from you:
give us life and we will | call up|on your | name.
- 19+ *Restore us again 0 | Lord of | hosts:*
show us the light of your countenance | and we | shall be | saved.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

Romans 1.1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name,

including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Gradual: 222 The angel Gabriel from heaven came

GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Matthew 1.18-25

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.

But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.'

When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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

SERMON

The 'Greeting of Peace:

Offertory Hymn: 418 Let all mortal flesh

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Communion Motet: A tender shoot - Goldschmidt

Post Communion: 233 God rest you merry people all
Postlude: Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her – Pachelbel

Recordings of postludes played at St. George's are posted in the Music section of the church website <http://stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org>

Please join us for refreshments after the Service

Prayers for those in need: (list renewed monthly): Harry, Leanne Barker, Lesley Tracey, Paul Finch, Dino Fernando, and others known to you.

We pray for those who love and care for them.

YEAR'S MIND:

Miriam Victoria NANCARROW	18thDecember	1987
Helen Cynthia KINGSFORD	18thDecember	2013
Doris (Dot) PAGE	20th December	1994
Margaret Lillian Selina HOTCHKISS	20th December	1990
William Cyril WHALE	20th December	1962
Constance Winifred McDONALD	20th December	1974
David Oliver NORMAN	21st December	1998
Alan Matheson GRONN	22nd December	1978
Phillip Geoffrey FREEMAN	22nd December	1994
Mavis Jean WILLIAMS	22nd December	2003
Eileen Anne BEITH	23rd Decenber	1970
Gordon Cummings FAULL	24th December	1987
Robert Vane GOLDIN	24th December	1969
Ronald Frederick ADAMS- Priest	24th December	1985

Following the 10:00am Eucharist today, we will inter the earthly remains of Norma Alice Potter in our memorial garden.

Next Week

December 24. Christmas 11:30pm

Isaiah 9.2-7, Psalm 96, Titus 2.11-14, Luke 2.1-20

December 25. Christmas 9:00am

Isaiah 62.6-12, Psalm 97, Titus 3.4-8a, Luke 2.1-20

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All are welcome to follow the Way of the Cross at any time that the Church is open. A booklet is available as a guide to your meditation.

SERVICE ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY 25^h DECEMBER 2016

Priest: Father Stuart Gardiner
Organist: Roger Brown
Servers: Neil Appleby, Sandra O'Grady, Joan Skene
Eucharistic Assistants: Coral Tudball
Readers:
Sidespersons: Rosemary Cotter, Bob Hill
Morning Tea:
Hall Cleaning: Steve and Liz Howard

Building Maintenance EMERGENCY contacts:

Steve Howard 9499 6410 or 0400 890020, Alison Smart, Vince Cristiano, George Hall. Any person welcome to join, just ask anyone on the BMC. Please write NON urgent maintenance items on the Building Maintenance List found on the table in the church.

OP SHOP		9499 5166
Manager -	Mary Jones	9499 2268
Assistant Manager -	Joan Skene	9459 0325

OPPORTUNITY SHOP LUNCH FOR VOLUNTEERS

All welcome at the Ivanhoe Golf Club for lunch on Monday 12th December at 12 noon.

COMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUN DEC 18	4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
	Said Eucharist	8.00 am
	Sung Eucharist	10.00 am
SUN DEC 25	CHRISTMAS DAY	
	Said Eucharist	8.00 am
	Sung Eucharist	10.00 am

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Now available from Nan on the display on the back pew

