

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF

ST GEORGE

EAST IVANHOE, MELBOURNE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Love

SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER 2019

7.30am **Morning Prayer**

8.00am **Eucharist**

10.00am **Sung Eucharist**

Preacher: Mother Linda Fiske

Hymns: 215, 222, 418, 193

Motet: *A great and mighty wonder*
(Praetorius)

Postlude: *Wachet auf, ruft uns die stimme*
(Walther)

Organist: Cyril Thomas



MORNING SERVICE SHEET - PLEASE TAKE HOME

WELCOME

St George's is a community committed to making and sustaining connections: with God, with one another, with the local and wider community, and with the environment. We value liturgical worship, encouraging fellowship and community service. We believe in God - the beauty of transcendent holiness, present in our connectedness; and in caring passionately for all in need. All are welcome in this sacred space.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 24 December	5pm	Children's Carol Service
<i>Christmas Eve</i>	11pm	Midnight Mass
Wednesday 25 December	9am	Choral Eucharist
<i>Christmas Day</i>		
Friday 27 December	10am	Holy Communion <i>Benetas - Heidelberg - The Views</i>
Sunday 29 December		Isaiah 63.7-9
<i>First Sunday After Christmas</i>		Psalm 148 Hebrews 2.10-18 Matthew 2.13-23

MASS READINGS

Please use these readings in conjunction with the Order of Service for the Eucharist, commencing at page 119 of the green 'A Prayer Book for Australia.

SENTENCE

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

MATTHEW 1.23

COLLECT

Gracious God,
you chose the virgin Mary, by your grace,
to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour:
so fill us with your grace,
that with her we may rejoice in your salvation,
and in all things embrace your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 7.10-16

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

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.

Hear 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 Manasseh:
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 O | Lord of | hosts:
show us the light of your countenance | and we | shall be | saved.**

SECOND READING

ROMANS I.I-7

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

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.

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation



Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah

5 Cantor



The virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name

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him Emmanuel.

2 Congregation



Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah Al - le - lu - jah

GOSPEL

MATTHEW I.18-25

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according *to* Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Je-*sus* 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Je-*sus* Christ.

SURSUM CORDA

Priest

The Lord be with you

3 Congregation

And Priest Al - so with you

5 Lift up your hearts

7 Congregation

We lift them to the Lord

9 Priest

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

12 Congregation

It is right to give our thanks and praise

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

PARISH PRAYERS

Thelma Gray, Janice Midegs, Margaret Syle, Neil Grierson, Nina Fudala, Karen Derbyshire, Pat Oswald, Les Barton, Max Pearce, Rosalie Prince, Vince Cristiano, Sylbie, Stephen 'Spud' Murphy, Lesley Tracey, Frank Cichello, Frank McFall, Lily Kelcey, Brian Monteith, Leanne Barker, Paul Finch, Josie Cichello-Sanderson and those known to you alone.

We remember all who have died in recent days. We also remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

PRAYER FOR MISSION PARTNER

Mission to Seafarers Victoria

Lord Jesus, friend of seafarers, bless The Mission to Seafarers and its work throughout the world. Inspire staff, volunteers and supporters to give freely of your gifts of wisdom, compassion and understanding to all who need them. May seafarers find a warm welcome, a keen will to help and serve, and in everything a love that honours your holy name. Amen.

YEARS MIND

22 December	Alan GRONN	1978
22 December	Phillip FREEMAN	1994
22 December	Mavis Williams	2003
23 December	Eileen BEITH	1970
24 December	Gordon FAULL	1987
24 December	Robert GOLDIN	1969
24 December	Ronald ADAMS	1985
25 December	Joyce ATHERTON	1998
25 December	Jacqueline SALEM	1991
25 December	Myrtle COLEMAN	1994
26 December	Graham HARRIS	2014
26 December	Minnie DOWELL	1972
27 December	Beryl LLEWELLYN	1994
27 December	Esmond DORNEY	1991
27 December	Betty BIBO	2018
28 December	Claude VETTER	1980
28 December	Thomas ROBSON	1973

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Council -

Chief Financial Officer

We congratulate Vince Cristiano on his appointment as our Chief Financial Officer.

Parish Council -

New Parish Secretary

We congratulate Chris Hayward on his appointment as Parish Secretary.

Parish Council -

Safe Ministry Officer

We congratulate Josie Cichello-Sanderson on her appointment as our Safe Ministry Officer.

Parish Council -

Parish Electoral Roll Committee

Fr John, Meron and Chris were appointed as the members of the Parish Electoral Roll Committee for the 2020 Roll in accordance with the provisions of the *Parish Governance Act 2013*.

TODAY –

Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

As a way of extending our renowned hospitality to visitors and a big thank you to the choir, it would be wonderful if you could bring a plate of Christmas nibbles, mince pies etc. to share and enjoy after the service.

Contact Person:

Denise Hall 0413 428 594.

Tuesday 24 December –

Children’s Christmas Liturgy

Bring along your children and grandchildren, and their dress-ups as Fr John narrates the Christmas Story and we sing some carols, have some fun, and then share a BBQ.

Facebook

Please encourage your family friend and neighbours to visit, like and follow our Facebook page @StGeorgesEastIvanhoe.

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