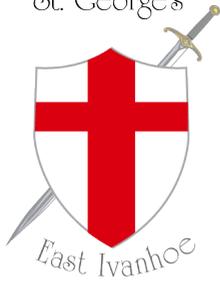


St. George's



ST GEORGE'S EAST IVANHOE

THE CHURCH AT THE HEART OF THE
VILLAGE

Holy Communion and Choral Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend Walter McEntee

Gathering in God's Name - First Sunday after Christmas

Sunday 28 December 2025

8am & 10am



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MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Hymns

- 8 A Mighty stronghold is our God
216 Earth has many a noble city
230 To us a child of royal birth
43 Give to our God immortal praise

Organist Oscar Herrick
Postlude Toccata in D minor *Gaston Belier*

THIS WEEK

Day	Time(s)	Event
Monday 29 December		
Tuesday 30 December		
Wednesday 31 December		
Thursday 1 January		
Friday 2 January		
Saturday 3 January		
Sunday 4 January	8am	Holy Communion
	10am	Sung Eucharist
<i>Second</i>		Jeremiah 31.7-14
<i>Sunday</i>		Psalms 147.12-20
<i>After</i>		Ephesians 1.3-14
<i>Christmas</i>		John 1.(1-9) 10-18

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 (APBA).'

INTROIT

Regina caeli *Francesco Soriano*

SENTENCE

Because Jesus himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested. *Hebrews 2.18*

COLLECT

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created,
and yet more wonderfully restored,
the dignity of human nature:
in your mercy,
bring us to share the divine life of Jesus Christ,
who came to share our human life,
and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

7 I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord,
the praiseworthy acts of the Lord,
because of all that the Lord has done for us,
and the great favour to the house of Israel
that he has shown them according to his mercy,
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

8 For he said, 'Surely they are my people,
children who will not deal falsely';
and he became their saviour in all their distress

9 It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in
his love and in his pity he redeemed them;
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of

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

PSALM 148

- 1 Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord from the heavens:
praise him in the heights.
- 2 **Praise him, all his angels:
praise him, all his host.**
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon:
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 **Praise him you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!**
- 5 Let them praise the name. of the Lord,
for he commanded. and they were created.
- 6 **He established them for ever and ever;
he fixed their bounds which cannot be passed.**
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps,
- 8 **Fire and hail, snow and frost,
stormy wind fulfilling his command!**
- 9 Mountains and all hills'
fruit trees and all cedars!
- 10 **Wild animals and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds!**
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!
- 12 **Young men and women alike,
old and young together!**
- 13 Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven
- 14 **He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are close to him,
Praise the Lord!**

10 It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

11 For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call the brothers and sisters, saying,

12 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

13 And again, 'I will put my trust in him.' And again, 'Here am I and the children whom God has given me.'

14 Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is the devil.

15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.

16 For it is clear that he did not come to help the angels, but the descendants of Abraham.

17 Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.

18 Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

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

13 Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.'

14 Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night and went to Egypt,

15 and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

16 When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or younger, according to the time he had learned from the wise men.

17 Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

18 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled because they are no more.'

19 When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said,

20 'Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.'

21 Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.

22 But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there.

And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.

23 There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazorean.'

ORDER OF SERVICE 10AM

THE HOMILY ABPA P122

THE CREED ABPA P123

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ABPA P124

INVITATION TO CONFESSION ABPA P147

The Lord comes, bringing to light things now hidden in darkness, and disclosing the purposes of the heart

Silence may be kept

Let us open our hearts and prepare for his coming, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

THE GREETING OF PEACE ABPA P127

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ABPA P127

PLEASE COME FORWARD FOR COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET

PARISH PRAYERS

Pam Hill, Paul Finch, Murray Steel, Carmen, Pat, Fay Norton-Old, Carmen, Michelle, Scott, Margaret Windisch, Bob and Anne Hill, David Nolte, Vince Cristiano, Anne Farquhar and Mandy, King Charles, Catherine, Princess of Wales.

We pray for all those who mourn. As we remember those who have died in recent days, we also recall with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

OPEN HOUSE

Loving God, thank you for the work of Open House. May the staff and volunteers show wisdom and compassion, and be a positive influence in the lives of their participants. May we learn how best to collaborate with them to support the vulnerable in our local community.

Amen



YEARS MIND

Dec-28	Nellie HERIOT	1980
Dec-28	Ruth MORELAND	1982
Dec-28	Mr Reginald SHAW	2022
Dec-29	Gina GIOVINE	1994
Dec-29	Vera WHITELAW	1971
Dec-29	Isobel COWANS	1971
Dec-29	Harry WRAGGE	1986
Dec-30	Eileen ELLIOTT	2015
Dec-30	George JOBLING	1986
Dec-30	Rupert ANDERSON	1979
Dec-30	Ms Angela LUMICISI	2022
Dec-31	Leslie BARTON	2019
Dec-31	Robert HAINS	1983
Dec-31	Gladys COOPER	1971
Dec-31	Faride SALEM	1972
Dec-31	Maxwell WILSON	1980
Jan-01	Margaret MOSS	1972
Jan-01	Ivan MANKEY	1982
Jan-01	Mary GUMMEY	1985
Jan-02	Clarence WALGERS	1977
Jan-02	Ernest TYERS	1980
Jan-02	Henry STOREY	1983
Jan-02	Gladys MAWSON	1996
Jan-03	Fr Donald HARDY	1987
Jan-03	Pam WADDINGTON	1995
Jan-03	Ed McARTHUR	1995
Jan-04	Laurence TURNER	2004
Jan-04	Ernest WATTS	1979
Jan-04	Frances SPELDEWIND	1991

PRAYER FOR GROWTH

God of Mission

who alone brings growth to your Church,
send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions,
joy to our worship,
and power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers,
in spiritual commitment to you,
and in service to our local community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PARISH NOTICES

NAN'S CARD STALL

Christmas cards and St George's pens are now on sale.

CHOIR SEEKS RECRUITS

The choir is seeking recruits. At the moment there are nine members (at full strength) and we would welcome an increase in numbers. Anyone who can hold a part and is able to read music at a reasonable level is welcome to join the proud musical tradition of St George's. We practise on Thursday nights from 8-9pm in the parish meeting room, and sing an introit, psalm and anthem at the weekly Sunday eucharists at 10am. Please contact the director of music, Oscar Herrick, on 0459 910 711 if you are interested.

PARISH NOTICES

PASTORAL CARE - HOME VISITING

Father Daniel is available for home visits on Fridays and would welcome your call. Please contact Fr Daniel on 0411-392-231. We are so thankful for his ministry.

Reverend Daniel Nyieth recommences Friday 9th January 2026 and last day with us will be Friday 16/01/2026

KEY DATES

Saturday 10th January 2026. Bring and share supper at 6:30pm
Bring and Share Supper is held on every second saturday of the month at 6:30pm

Wednesday 21st January 2026. Commissioning Service for our new vicar Chaplain Soma at 7:00pm

The service will be led by Bishop Genieve Blackwell. Come and celebrate the beginning of an exciting new chapter for our parish community.

ACTING VICAR'S APPOINTMENTS

From Monday 15th December to his final day Sunday 18th January 2026:- Reverend Walter McEntee

Benetas and Home/ Hospital Visiting on Fridays :- Reverend Daniel Nyieth. His last day with us will be 16/01/2026

PEW BULLETIN

Hi everyone, please note that any changes to the weekly Pew Bulletin must be emailed to Eric Lindberg and cc: Paul Smith

PARISH NOTICES

NO SUNDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE IN DECEMBER BRING AND SHARE SUPPER

Our monthly Bring and Share Supper is held on every 2nd Saturday of the month at 6:30pm.

The next one is January 10th 2026

LIVE-STREAMING OF SERVICES YouTube

We live-stream our services and events via our YouTube channel, (St George's Church East Ivanhoe). You may access our services, online via this link: <https://stgeorgeseastivanhoe.org/online>. If you subscribe to our channel and enable notifications you will receive automatic alerts when we go live.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to “like” and “follow” us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesEastIvanhoe>) and subscribe to our YouTube channel.

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Another beautiful night at Lessons and Carols 2025