

ST GEORGE'S EAST IVANHOE

The Church at the heart of the village

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

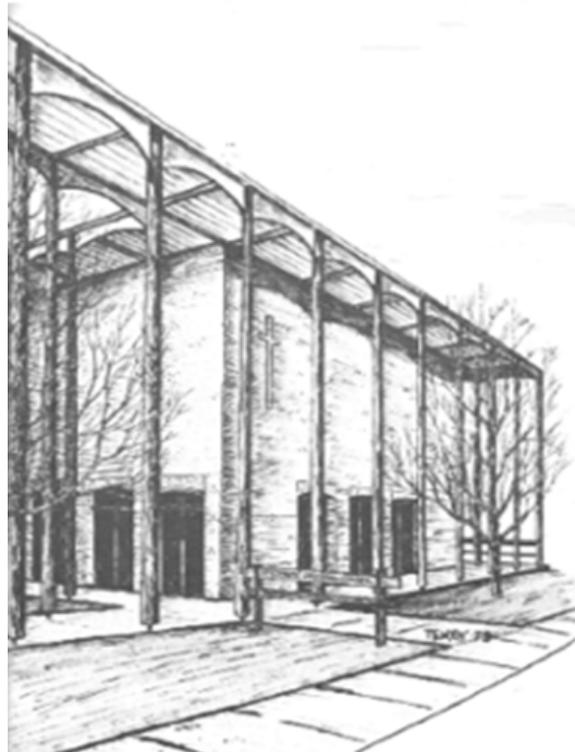
Holy Communion and Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reverend Chaplain Soma

Gathering in God's Name

Sunday 25th January 2026

8am & 10am



St George East Ivanhoe

All are welcome in this sacred space.

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 believe in God - the beauty of transcendent holiness, present in our connectedness; and in caring for all in need.

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MUSIC FOR THE SERVICE

Hymns

230

152

311

382

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and postlude:

Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren by J G Walther (1684 - 1748)

Organist:Cyril Thomas

- Choir returns for Choral Eucharist in February

THE WEEK AHEAD

Day	Time(s)	Event
Monday		
26 January		
Tuesday		
27 January		
Wednesday		
28 January		
Thursday		
29 January		
Friday	10am	Communion Service at Benetas, (Fr Chaplain)
30 January		
Saturday		
31 January		
Sunday	8am	Holy Communion
1 February		
	10am	Eucharist
<i>Presentation of Christ in the Temple (APBA, 609)</i>		Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Psalm 24 Luke 2: 22-40

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).'

HYMN 230 *To us a child of royal birth*

SENTENCE

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. Matthew 4.23

COLLECT

Loving God,

the light of the minds that know you,

the life of the souls that love you,

and the strength of the hearts that serve you:

help us so to know you that we may truly love you,

and so to love you that we may faithfully serve you,

whose service is perfect freedom.

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9.1-4

¹But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the later time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations

² The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those that lived in a land of great darkness-
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bars across their shoulders,
The rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

Psalm 27. 1-10

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?:
the Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

² **When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,
come upon me to devour me:
they shall stumble and fall.**

³ If an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not be afraid:
and if war should rise against me, yet will I trust.

⁴ **One thing I have asked from the Lord,
which I will require:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,**

⁵ To see the fair beauty of the Lord:
and to seek his will in his temple.

⁶ **For he will hide me under his shelter
in the day of trouble:
and conceal me in the shadow of his tent,
and set me high upon a rock.**

⁷ And now he will lift up my head:
above my enemies round about me.

⁸ **And I will offer sacrifices in his sanctuary
with exultation:
I will sing, I will sing praises to the Lord.**

⁹ O Lord, hear my voice when I cry:
have mercy upon me and answer me.

¹⁰ My heart has said of you, ‘Seek his face’:
your face, Lord, I will seek.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1. 10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters.

¹² What I mean is that each of you says, ‘I belong to Paul’, or ‘I belong to Apollos’, or ‘I belong to Cephas’, or ‘I belong to Christ.’ ¹

³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius,

¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name.

¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 152 *Come, O fount of every blessing*

GOSPEL

Matthew 4.12-25

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee.

¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali,

¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵ ‘Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.’

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’

¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen.

¹⁹ And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’

²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of

Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them.

²⁵ And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

ORDER OF SERVICE 10AM

THE HOMILY APBA P122

THE CREED APBA P123

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE APBA P124

INVITATION TO CONFESSION APBA P150

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 APBA P127

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING APBA P127

PLEASE COME FORWARD FOR COMMUNION

FINAL HYMN 382 *Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness*

PARISH PRAYERS

Peter McKay, 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.

Loving God, thank you for the work of The Mission to Seafarers providing essential physical, emotional, and spiritual support to seafarers worldwide through a global network of chaplains and centres. **Amen**



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**

YEAR'S MIND

Jan 26	Cecilia SCOTT	1963
Jan 26	Ronald FARQUHAR	2005
Jan 27	Gladys GROVES	1970
Jan 27	Fr John GADEN	1990
Jan 28	Norma SWAIN	1974
Jan 28	Ella BARNES	1969
Jan 28	Errol WHITECHURCH	1997
Jan 29	Jane BOYALL	1997
Jan 29	Lou BUTTERFIELD	2015
Jan 30	Mrs Estelle HOVELMEIER	2021
Jan 30	Sylvia DAVIES	1974
Jan 30	Muriel ATKINS	1981
Jan 30	Doris FERGUSON	1994
Jan 30	Jean WEST	2011
Jan 31	Emily DORNAN	1970
Jan 31	Nellie GRAVES	1979
Feb 1	Jessica JONES	2021
Feb 1	Jessie REEVE	1976
Feb 1	Gladys BEST	1980

PARISH NOTICES

THANK YOU...

The Rev Chaplain's Commissioning Service held last Wednesday evening was a truly significant and uplifting event. St Georges will now move forward with renewed confidence to continue fulfilling our mission in the name of the Lord.

THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN – TMA WILL BE CLOSING

Earlier in 2025, after a careful and considered review, Archbishop in Council made the difficult and sad decision to cease the production of *The Melbourne Anglican*. This decision was taken in the context of the Diocese's wider financial challenges and was made prior to the installation of Archbishop Ric.

The *Melbourne Anglican* website will remain active for a period, allowing continued access to past articles and resources. However, TMA's social media posts as well as its weekly digital newsletters, *Newsstand* and *Best of the Week*, will also cease being published.

Looking ahead, future communications from the Diocese will be shared through the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne (ADOM) website and official social media channels.

Until it stops, TMA can be found online at the following address

[This Month's TMA - The Melbourne Anglican](#)

KEY DATES

**Saturday 14th Feb 2026; Resumption of 2nd Sat of each month
Bring/Share Supper,**

Tuesday 17th February 2026 – Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday 18th February 2026 – Ash Wednesday

Sunday 22nd Feb; Resumption of Sunday Sausage Sizzle (4th Sun of month)

Sunday 22nd February Evensong - Denise Hall: The literary works of Oscar Wilde

Sunday 29th March Evensong - Robin Burns: International peace movement

PEW BULLETIN

Hi everyone, please note that any changes to the weekly Pew Bulletin must be emailed to Paul Smith

LIVE-STREAMING OF SERVICES

We live-stream our 10am service 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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