

CHRISM EUCHARIST

The Chrism Eucharist is the Eucharist where the oils are blessed and the priests of the Diocese renew their Ordination vows.

It is expected every priest be present unless circumstances prevent it and permission for absence sought from the Bishop.

The oils blessed will be:

- i) Oil for the Sick
- ii) Oil of Chrism

Deacons are also expected to be present to renew their vows. There will be a Deacon of the Eucharist.

The Eucharist will be held at a central place within the Diocese and in recent years this has been in Kojonup with this Eucharist celebrated in the week before Holy Week.

All clergy will vest. Alb and Stole will be worn as advised by the Bishop.

The Parish Priest, or in the case of a vacancy, the Area Dean, will be responsible for making local arrangements for the service once a central location has been selected, and will:

- i) Invite the Parish to attend.
- ii) Organise readers from amongst the clergy
- iii) Arrange an organist
- iv) Host refreshments (as required).

The Service

- a) APBA, Second Order, page 119.
- b) Entry procession. Clergy will process in during Introit Hymn.
- c) Clergy will sit in the front pews on both sides.
- d) Bishop with the Chaplain and the Deacon will face the Congregation.
- e) After the Sermon the priests and deacons renew their ordination vows standing (in place of the Intercessions).
- f) The Deacon will present the Oils as required.

The Oils

- a) The oils will be distributed after the service.
- b) The oils will be held at the Cathedral for any further replenishment.