

THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Caversham Saint Peter

Lent 4

Mothering Sunday

14th March 2010

A VERY WARM WELCOME to everybody in Church today as we meet together to worship God the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

OUR NEW BISHOP, Dr Kelvin Wright, will be visiting the parish next Sunday (Passion Sunday) 21st March. He will preside and preach at both the 8am Eucharist and the 10.30am Solemn Eucharist, and with his wife Clemency will be staying to lunch with us. Please make sure that you can come to one (or both!) of these services and to the meal afterwards so that we can give them a really warm welcome to St Peter's!

IN LENT there are no flowers in Church, except today (it being Mothering Sunday) for the Mother of God, and crosses, images (and much of the brass) are covered in a white cloth which symbolises penitential sackcloth. The *Gloria* is not sung or said, and the word *al-el-ia* is not even thought – let alone said, sung or written!

SERVICES TODAY

8am Holy Eucharist.

The 1662 Liturgy omitting *Glory be to God on high*.

10.30am Solemn Eucharist.

The 1989 Liturgy omitting the *Gloria* Chant.

Hymns. Introit 186. Gradual 184 (omit 2 & 3). Offertory 285. Communion 297. Postcommunion 387.

Readings. Raewyn Stedman.

Intercessions. Fr Geoff.

Oblations. Jim and Shirley Menzies.

The Ministry of Prayer for Healing and Wholeness is held in the Lady Chapel at the back of the Church during the Communion.

7pm Compline.

A traditional Order of Night Prayer together with a Sermon and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

YOU ARE warmly invited to tea or coffee in the Parish Lounge after the Solemn Eucharist today.

THE PARISH AGM will be held after the Solemn Eucharist *today*.

THE POT LUCK LUNCH will be held this month *next* Sunday when the Bishop and his wife are here.

THE ROCK is published today. Please get your copy from the back of the Church or from the Link.

MONDAY CLUB from 10am in the Hall.

THE LENTEN STUDY (at Margery Palmer's house, 32B Eastbourne Street, on Tuesday at 7.30pm) is on the *Letter to the Hebrews*, which is particularly important because it is virtually certain that this book was written before the fall of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70AD – and therefore it reveals what the first Christians really thought and believed – Dan Brown & Co. notwithstanding! No special knowledge required, and no questions asked!

VESTRY on Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Lounge.

THE EUCHARIST will be celebrated at 10am on Thursday.

FLAX CROSSES for Palm Sunday will be made at 10am on Easter Eve, Saturday 27th March in the Lounge.

WE PRAY for those in any need or distress, for the sick and infirm, for Father Ilyan Eades, Rita Marlow, Louis Hourlier, Jinny Cottle, Gary Pearson, Nell van Laar, Adrienne Garrod, Claire Johnson, John Petersen, Hannah Scott, Annette Stone, Beryl Barclay, Stanley Quintrell, and Ian Feldwick.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, for all whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Cecil Steel, Frederick John Allen, Arthur Bernard Goodwillie, Ellen Annie Brown, James Clements, Ruth Minnie Mumford, and Ben Holden.

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