



THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

Lent 2

March 20, 2011

WELCOME!

A warm welcome to Archdeacon Bernard Wilkinson and everyone in Church today as we meet together to worship God the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

SERVICES TODAY.

8am Holy Eucharist. (The 1662 Liturgy)

10.30am Solemn Eucharist. (The 1989 Liturgy)

Hymns. Introit **76** Gradual **337** Offertory **350** (T.162) Communion **72**
Postcommunion **453**.

Reader. Craig Sutherland. **Intercessions.** Joy Henderson. **Oblations.** Joce Malcolmson. **Sidespersons.** Stephen Burgess and Marjorie Finnie.

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

Everyone is invited to Morning Tea and Coffee in the Parish Lounge after the Solemn Eucharist.

POT LUCK LUNCHEON AFTER THE 10.30 am SOLEMN EUCHARIST TODAY. EVERYONE WELCOME!

READINGS FOR TODAY.



1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-9

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

2nd Reading. 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Brothers and sisters: join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself

alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

THE COLLECT.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

Prayer for People in Distress.

God of the desolate and the despairing, your Son, Jesus Christ, bore the cross of suffering that is for us the source of life and healing. Let not the destruction here at home and in Japan bring us to despair but rather to find in you a fount of life and a spring of hope that we may fearlessly uphold those who are afflicted, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

Readings for Next Sunday - Lent 3.

Exodus 17.3-7/Romans 5.1-2,5-8/John 4.5-42.



PRAYERS

WE PRAY for the people of Christchurch and surrounding districts devastated by earthquake and loss of life and heritage. We pray especially for Bishop Victoria, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Christchurch as they proclaim God’s care for the city and its people.

WE PRAY for the people of Japan as they come to terms with earthquake and flood and nuclear danger. We pray for the recovery response and uphold all

affected at this time of tragedy and especially for Bishop John Kato and his devastated Anglican diocese of Tohoku.

WE PRAY for the sick and infirm, and especially for Rita Marlow, Louis Hourlier, Gary Pearson, Nell van Laar, Adrienne Garrod, Claire Johnson, John Petersen, Hannah Scott, Beryl Barclay, Lil Bedford, Cherry Gordon, Ian Gordon and Fr Bill Schroeder.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, especially Lindsay Algar, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Arthur Bernard Goodwillie, Ellen Annie Brown, James Clements, Ruth Minnie Mumford (Dallas), Fr. Illyan Eades, Ben Holden and Norma Moorhead.

PARISH NEWS.

Fr. Carl Somers Edgar invites friends from the Parish to a house-warming at 32 Cole Street, Caversham on **Saturday March 26, 4pm-8pm.**

The Eucharist will be celebrated at 10am on Thursday in the Lady Chapel.

Observances this week: **(20)** Cuthbert **(21)** Benedict **(22)** Thomas Cranmer **(25) THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD.**

Anglican Family Care asks especially for donations of rice at this time. Rice forms a dietary staple in Food Bank care parcels.

Donations To The Christchurch Earthquake Bishop's Emergency Appeal: Donations marked 'Christchurch Earthquake Appeal' can be placed in the offertory bag during the collection at each Sunday Eucharist. Details at the back of church and on the Link notice board.

The Revised Parish Roll draft will be available today for checking and amendments where required. Please check that your entry is correct.

AAW Meeting This Week: Tuesday March 22, commencing with a Pot Luck meal at **6.00 pm.** A meeting to discuss the group's future direction will follow the meal.

Palm Crosses will be constructed in the Parish Lounge on **Saturday April 16 from 10 am.** Everyone welcome to join in the making of crosses.

Brass Cleaning: Easter Eve, 23rd of April, in the Parish Lounge commencing at **10.30 am**.

Vestry for the Coming Year. The result of the ballot at last week's Parish AGM is as follows: People's Warden: Joy Henderson, Synod Representatives: Ian Condie and David Hoskins. Vestry members: Nigel Westbrook, Rita-May Brown, Kate Paterson, Heather Brooks, Dereck Gray, David Scouler and Jonathan Gillies. Tubby Hopkins continues in his role as the appointed Bishop's Warden.



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