

THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

Pentecost/Whitsunday.

June 12, 2011.

WELCOME!

A warm welcome to our Celebrant and Preacher, 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.



Hymns for Today: Entrance: 137 Gradual: 140 Offertory: 139 Communion: 342 Post-communion: 431

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

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

Collect for Pentecost:

O Lord, from whom all good things come: grant to us your humble servants, that by your holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by your merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**



READINGS FOR TODAY.

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

2nd Reading: <u>1 Cor in12:3b-7, 12-13</u>

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Readings for Next Sunday – Trinity Sunday.

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9/2 Corinthians 13:11-13/ John 3: 16-18.

Parish 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 people throughout North Africa and the Middle East at this time of revolution and conflict.

WE PRAY for those in Anglican Religious Orders in Melanesia, Polynesia, and Papua New Guinea.

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, Suzanne Drummond and Fr Bill Schroeder.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time, Dulcie Jean Healy, Hugh Morton Curruthers, Ada Frances Higham, Claire Jillian Taiaroa, Roger Taylor (Priest) and Geoffrey James Dale (Priest).

PRAYER FOR THE PARISH:



GOD OUR FATHER you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be His Body in this place; send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision, energy, and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community; and guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new Priest for this parish, that the one whom we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead us by example In loving obedience to your Son, Our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen**



Parish News.



The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Parish Lounge on Thursday at 10 am.

Observances: (14) Basil the Great **(15)** Evelyn Underhill **(16)** Joseph Butler **(18)** Bernard Mizek.

Monday Club meets in the Hall from 10 am. Everyone is assured of a warm welcome!

Pot Luck Lunch today - after the 10.30am Solemn Eucharist. All Welcome.

Material for the next Rock is due TODAY.

St Peter's Women's Group. To celebrate the formation of the St Peter's Fellowship, there will be an afternoon tea in the Parish Lounge preceded by an organ concert, entitled 'Bells and Smells' - in the church, by David Hoskins. Date: June 18th. Time: 2pm. Everyone Welcome.

The St Peter's Friendship Group meets in the Parish Lounge on Tuesday June 14 at 2pm.

Vestry meets on Wednesday at 7.30 pm in the Parish Lounge.

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