



# THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

Trinity 8

August 14, 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.

**Today's Liturgy:**



Jesus and the Canaanite Woman

**8.00am** Holy Eucharist (1662) **10.30am** Solemn Eucharist (1989)

**Mass Setting:** The Taize Mass.

**Prelude:** Clair de Lune (Siegfried Karg-Elert)

**HYMNS: Entrance:** 395 **Gradual:** 376 **Offertory:** 273 **Communion:** 387  
**Post-communion:** 264

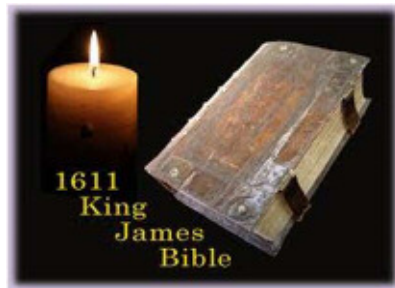
**Postlude:** Angelus (Marcel Dupre)

**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 and the Pot Luck Lunch in the Parish Lounge after the Solemn Eucharist.**

**Collect for Today:**

GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. **Amen.**



**First Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1, 6-12.**

And the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Bethlehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons. And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely the LORD's anointed is before him. But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart. Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this. Then Jesse made Shammah to pass

by. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this. Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse, The LORD hath not chosen these. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither. And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he.

**Second Reading: Romans 11: 13-15, 21-28.**

I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I take pride in my ministry in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them. For if their rejection brought reconciliation to the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? For God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. Just as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience, so they too have now become disobedient in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of God's mercy to you. For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

**Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28.**

Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman,

great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

### **Parish Prayers.**



**WE PRAY** for the people of Christchurch and surrounding districts rebuilding homes and lives after the devastation of the earthquakes. 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 Africa and the Middle East at this time of revolution, conflict and famine.

**WE PRAY** for the people of Norway as they mourn the massacre of the innocents in Oslo.

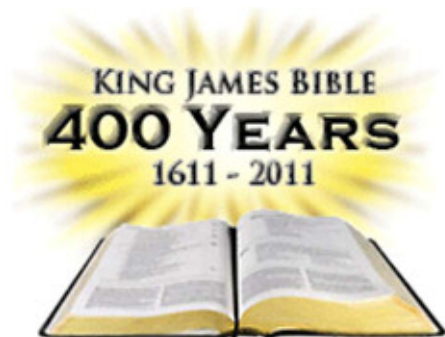
**WE PRAY** for the sick and infirm, and especially for Rita Marlow, Louis Hourlier, Nell van Laar, Adrienne Garrod, Claire Johnson, John Petersen, Hannah Scott, Beryl Barclay, Lil Bedford, Meg Dunbar, Ruth Brown, Cherry Gordon, Ian Gordon, John Steele, Fr. Geoff Hughes and Suzanne Drummond.

**WE PRAY** for the Departed, for those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Ronald Alfred Preston and Mavis Wilkinson.

**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.**



**400th Anniversary of the King James Bible.** 2011 is the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible also known as the Authorised Version. Although there have been many translations, particularly in recent years, many still prefer the language and style of the 'A.V'. It would be impossible to calculate the profound effect the King James Bible has had upon the life of the church over four centuries. To make our own acknowledgement of the significance of this event, Fr. Bernard has taken up the suggestion mooted at Vestry, that for the four Sundays of August we will have the Bible readings from the King James Version. The readings will be used at both 8am and 10.30am services. The sermons throughout August will focus on the Old Testament readings for the day.

**King James Bible Celebration:** The Bible Society is presenting an audio-visual event about the King James Bible at Caversham Baptist Church, Saturday August 20 at 7.30pm. Supper will follow. See the poster on the Link noticeboard.

**The Holy Eucharist** observing the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady will be celebrated in the Parish Lounge on Thursday at 10 am.

**Observances: (15) ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY (20) Bernard of Clairvaux.**

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

**Christian World Service Appeal.** Details of the **urgent appeal** for those affected by the drought in the Horn of Africa are in the Link today.

**Hall Secretary.** Expressions of interest are invited from the congregation for the role of Hall Secretary. This is a voluntary position. Please speak in the first instance to one of the Wardens or to Rita-May Brown.

**Pot Luck Lunch today,** after the 10.30 Solemn Eucharist. **Everyone warmly welcome!**

**Rock:** Material for the Next edition of the Rock is due **TODAY.**





### **'Toby' - R.I.P.**

**Parishioners will be sad to learn of the death of Fr Geoff Hughes' hearing dog, Toby on Monday last. The loss of any pet is a blow to its owner – but Toby was more than a pet to Fr. Geoff. He was a regular member of the congregation at St. Peter's, and we may say with truth that Fr Geoff was never seen without the company of Toby, who protected and watched over him. We thank God for the love and warmth of pets, especially Toby, and remember Fr Geoff in his sadness, and in our prayers. The final hymn at today's Solemn Eucharist is 'All Things Bright and Beautiful' – a hymn Toby joined in singing on more than one occasion!**

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