



THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

Michaelmas

October 2, 2011

Welcome!

A warm welcome to Fr 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:



Celebrant and Preacher: Fr. Bernard Wilkinson

8 am Holy Eucharist (1662) **10.30 am** Solemn Eucharist.

Mass Setting: The Taizé Mass.

Prelude: *Chorale* (Leo Sowerby) **Postlude:** *Toccata in F* (Dietrich Buxtehude)

Hymns: Introit: 343 **Gradual:** 191 (*T. Dunedin*) **Offertory:** 336 **Communion:** 29 **Post-communion:** 475

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

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

Collect:

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Readings.



First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 11-14.

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. ¹I watched then because of the noise of the arrogant words that the horn was speaking. And as I watched, the beast was put to death, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Second Reading: Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world-- he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard

a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

Gospel: John 1:47-51

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Parish Prayers.



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, Fr. Geoff Hughes, Irene Waters and Suzanne Drummond.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially David Steele, Stanley Wright, Elvira Steel, Myra Phillips, Shona Thomas, Lynette Welch, Jean Errington and Bruce Robbins.

WE PRAY for our Parish Nominators: Tubby, Joy, Heather and Ian.

News and Notes.



The Holy Eucharist and Walsingham Devotions will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel on Thursday at 10 am.

Observances: (4) Francis of Assisi (7) Our Lady of the Rosary (8) William Tyndale.

Monday Club meets in the Hall from 10 am. A warm welcome to all!

The Rock: material for the next edition of the Rock is due next Sunday

Parish Cleanup! A workday is planned for **next Saturday October 8**. If you can help on the day please let Dereck know. Telephone: 489-3520.

Community Hymn-Sing. Come, enjoy and sing some of the popular old favorites (and some new ones!) at St Peter's, Sunday October 16, 2pm.

Welcome Cards: As part of our ministry of welcome, ensuring all visitors to the parish feel at home and perhaps consider joining the parish and contributing to its life and worship, Vestry has produced Welcome Cards. These give visitors details of our service times and necessary contact names and telephone numbers. The cards also provide a way for people to register as members of the parish. If you meet a visitor who has not been offered a card on their way in, please get one from the table at the back of church or in the Link. You may like to introduce them to a sidesperson who will be only too happy to assist.

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