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The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

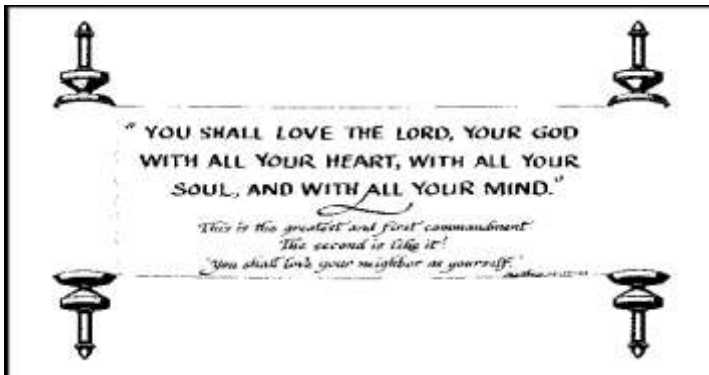
18th Sunday after Trinity

October 23, 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 Taize Mass.

Hymns.

Introit: 341 **Gradual:**360 **Offertory:**420 **Communion:** Pebble **Postcommunion:**397

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.

Almighty God, you teach us in your word that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with all our heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings.



First Reading: Exodus 22:20-27

Whoever sacrifices to any god, other than the Lord alone, shall be devoted to destruction. You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children orphans. If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them. If you take your neighbor's cloak in pawn, you shall restore it before the sun goes down; for it may be your neighbor's only clothing to use as cover; in what else shall that person sleep? And if your neighbor cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10.

Because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of

welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

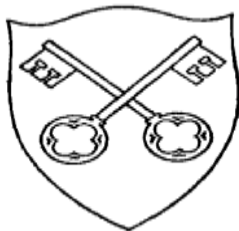
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40.

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”



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, Irene Waters and Suzanne Drummond.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Mabel Jacobs, Hope Burnett, Doris Dickson, Nancy Harper and James McQueen.



News and Notes.



The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Lady Chapel on **Thursday at 10 am.**

Observances: (26) Alfred the Great (28) SIMON & JUDE.

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

St Peter's Fellowship: Everyone is invited to a Games Night in the Parish Hall, **this Tuesday, October 25, 7.30pm.**

Brass Cleaning: Next Saturday, **October 29th, 10.30am** in the Parish Lounge. This is 'work and fun' – and the chocolates are wonderful. Everyone welcome!

St Peter's Friendship Group: End of year luncheon at **St Barnabas Home, Tuesday, November 8.** The Holy Eucharist in the St Barnabas Chapel will precede the luncheon at 11 am.

The Big Clean Up: Thank you to all those people who cleaned, cut, sawed, pruned and weeded last week during the clean up of the grounds. Well done!

Hymn Sing: A wonderful occasion! Last Sunday afternoon, Fr Bernard took the 'audience' through the origins and stories of the hymns sung by all – very heartily too! A generous amount was raised for the ongoing care of Daryl-Anne.

Fr. Hugh Bowron: Our new Parish Priest, Fr. Hugh Bowron will be installed as Vicar of St Peter's on **Thursday, February 2.**

Hymn During Communion.



1 By gracious powers so wonderfully sheltered,
And confidently waiting, come what may,
We know that God is with us night and morning
And never fails to greet us each new day.

2 Yet is this heart by its old foe tormented,
Still evil days bring burdens hard to bear;
O give our frightened souls the sure salvation
For which, O Lord, You taught us to prepare.

3 And when this cup You give is filled to brimming
With bitter suffering, hard to understand,
We take it thankfully and without trembling,
Out of so good and so beloved a hand.

4 Yet when again in this same world You give us
The joy we had, the brightness of Your sun,
We shall remember all the days we lived through,
And our whole life shall then be Yours alone.

Words: Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945).

Music: Sandringham ('O Perfect Love')

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St Peter's Fellowship - Games Night!



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Everyone Welcome!