



THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

All Saints

October 30, 2011

Welcome!

A warm welcome to Fr Carl Somers Edgar 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:



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

Mass Setting: The Taize Mass.

Hymns. Introit: 231 **Gradual:** 198 (T.419) **Offertory:** 197 **Communion:** Pebble
Postcommunion: 381 (omit v3)

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, your saints are one with you in the mystical body of Christ: give us grace to follow them in all virtue and holiness until we come to those inexpressible joys, which you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12



When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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, Irene Waters, David Crosby and Suzanne Drummond.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Joan Tubman, Cameron Henderson, Annie Hill and Charlie Bedford.

WE PRAY for the mission of the church here and overseas, especially for those who have left their homes and families to serve in the Church overseas. Guide and uphold and strengthen them so that they may faithfully and joyfully serve you.

News and Notes.



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

Observances: **(1)** ALL SAINTS **(2)** ALL SOULS **(3)** Richard Hooker **(4)** Charles Borromeo **(5)** Martin de Porres.

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

Fr. Bernard is on holiday this weekend with a family reunion at Hanmer Springs. The arrangements were made before coming to St Peter's and he is grateful to Fr Carl for taking the services today.

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.

Fr. Hugh Bowron: The Institution of our new Parish Priest, Fr. Hugh Bowron will be on **Thursday, February 2, 2012, 7.00pm.**

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