



THE PEBBLE

The Anglican Church of Saint Peter, Caversham.

Advent 1

November 27, 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:



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

Mass Setting: The Taize Mass. (The Gloria chant is not sung during Advent)

Hymns.

Introit: 3 Gradual: 5 Offertory: 11 Communion: 313 Postcommunion: 453

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.

Stir up your people, O Lord, and come, that by your protection we may be rescued from the dangers that beset us through our sins; and be a Redeemer to deliver us; Who lives and reigns with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **AMEN.**

Readings.



First Reading: Isaiah 63:16 -17, 64: 1, 3-8.

You, O LORD, are our father; our Redeemer from of old is your name. Why, O LORD, do you make us stray from your ways and harden our heart, so that we do not fear you? Turn back for the sake of your servants, for the sake of the tribes that are your heritage. O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence. When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my* God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of* Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Beware; keep alert for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

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, Cherry Gordon, Irene Waters, Ben Chisnall and Denise Walker.

WE PRAY for the Departed, for those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Brent Henderson, Vera McLeod, Dorrie Molloy and Michael Palmer.

News and Notes.

The Holy Eucharist and Devotions of Our Lady of Walsingham, in the Lady Chapel on **Thursday at 10 am.**

Observances: (30) ANDREW (1) Richard Whiting & Companions (3) Francis Xavier

Monday Club meets in the Hall from 10 am.

Festive Pot Luck Lunch, Sunday, December 11, after Solemn Mass. Everyone welcome!

Well Done!! Yesterday's Parish Clean-up proceeded with great enthusiasm and good humour. The morning tea was much appreciated!

Nine Lessons and Carols: The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols will be on Sunday December 18. 7pm. This is always a moving and memorable service. Fr Carl and Fr Geoff will officiate.

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

Christmas Liturgies.



Saturday, December 24. Christmas Eve:

11pm Carols and Festive Organ Music

11.30pm Midnight Mass: Preacher Bishop Kelvin Wright

Sunday, December 25. Christmas Day:

8am Holy Eucharist (1662) 10.30am Solemn Eucharist and Carols.

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