



St Peter's Caversham

The Pebble

I July, 2012

Saints Peter and Paul

The Call

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife:
And such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a Light as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part:
Such a Heart, as joyes in love.

George Herbert

A Warm Welcome

to all who are sharing with us in worship this morning. The Ministry of Healing and Wholeness is offered in the Lady Chapel during Communion. Everyone is warmly invited to Morning Tea in the Parish Lounge after the Solemn Eucharist.

The Liturgy for Today:

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (1662 Book of Common Prayer)

10:30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist and Procession (The Taize Mass setting)

HYMNS:

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| 338 | At the name of Jesus |
| 372 | He who would valiant be |
| 410 | My God, how wonderful thou art |
| 208 | In the day of our thanksgiving |
| 420 | O Jesus, I have promised |

Organ Prelude: *Chorale* Charles Callahan (b.1951)

Organ Postlude: *Tuba Tune* C.S. Lang (1898-1971)

READINGS FOR TODAY:

Acts 12:1-11.

2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18

Matt 16:13-19.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Ezekiel 2: 2-5

2 Corinthians 12: 7-10

Mark 6: 1-6a

Parish News

Welcome to Fr James Harding our guest preacher this morning. James was on the staff of Codrington College, Barbados, a theological College originally staffed by the Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield, currently teaches Old Testament at the Otago theology department, is on the staff of All Saints, Dunedin, and was recently priested in Dunedin Cathedral

Procession This morning's 10.30 am Serviced begins with a procession around the interior of the Church, which the able bodied are most welcome to join.

New candle holders Last night's Choral Evensong was greatly assisted by the new wooden brackets for the fleur-de-lis candle holders which are most attractive adjuncts to a candle lit Service, but which could only be deployed using this new practical feature. Our grateful thanks to David Hoskins for conceiving of and carrying the project through, and to Dennis Ralston for making the brackets.

Vestry news The Vestry met briefly on Wednesday evening to consider the news come recently to hand that we are the only parish in the diocese that has opted for full earthquake insurance. Many have opted to only cover their Vicarages for this, and to insure the rest of their buildings for only fire and flood. Our premiums for next year are estimated to cost us \$7,680. The Vestry decided to proceed with this level of cover given parishioners' deep attachment to their Church, and the requirements that attend the recently awarded Historic Places Trust recognition of our buildings. The Vestry reaffirmed its recent decision to downgrade the coverage for the Vicarage to functional replacement only, given that in the event of that buildings being severely damaged we would be unlikely to want to replace such a large two storey dwelling, but would instead construct a more modest one-storey house. The cost of revaluing the Vicarage will be \$500. To get these costs in perspective the Vicar learned this week that Knox Church has decided to forgo earthquake cover insurance after receiving a quote for \$50,000. "Is that all," was their Ministers response when the Vicar told her of St Peter's prospective bill.

Neil Scrymgeour RIP Yesterday morning St Peter's bade farewell to one of its most faithful parishioners over many years. A member of our 8 o'clock congregation, Neil had served in just about every office open to a St Peter's parishioner, and in addition had been a Diocesan Nominator, an examining Chaplain to prospective ordinands, and a member of Standing Committee. His modest demeanour and quiet manner belied former membership of such elite Diocesan circles. Neil is survived by his wife Jocelyn, a St Luke's Mosgiel parishioner, and by his daughter and two sons.

Visit of Dr Edric Baker We are hosting one of New Zealand's outstanding missionaries on Monday 9 July. There will be a Eucharist, a light meal, and a talk by Edric, beginning at 4.30 pm. Dr Baker has pioneered and led a primary health care clinic in Bangladesh for many years that is the main, if not the only, health care provider for 100,000 people living in the clinic's locality.

Automatic payments If you are a member of our envelope planned giving scheme you might like to consider going over to automatic payments from your bank account to the parish's account. This means that you don't have to remember to get your envelope ready each Sunday, you don't miss your contributions when away on holiday, and it helps the parish's finances by ensuring a steady cash flow so we can meet our regular expenses, which as you can see from the article about our insurance expenses on page 3 are steadily increasing. Contact Averil Hopkins at 455 3613 to find out how to make this transition.

Anticipating Ordinary Time For the last little while we have enjoyed a steady succession of major feasts and festivals, but from next Sunday we settle down to the Sunday's in Ordinary time, which permit us to resume our patient exploration of the gospel of Mark.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm: Rita Marlow, Claire Johnson, John Peterson, Hannah Scott, Lil Bedford, Cherry Gordon, Ben Chisnall, Heather Robertson, Frances Jenson Denise Walker and Margaret Fraser.

Regional potluck dinners Our next regional potluck dinner will be in the Frances Hodgkin's complex on Wednesday evening.

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated in the Parish Lounge at 10am on Thursday. This will be the venue for our Thursday Services throughout the winter.

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