

St. Peter's Caversham

# The Pebble

25 November 2012

Christ the King

## **Expecting the Lord**

Being myself so corrupted With the forsaking life I lead, To be on your holy mountain Is high privilege indeed; There the veils are rent, and coverings Destroyed from that time forth, And there is your excelling glory On the transient things of earth.

O to keep at that high drinking Where the streams of great salvation flow, T'ill I'm utterly disthirsted For the transient things below! To live, and my Lord always expected! To be, when he comes, up and awake! Quick as a flash to open for him! Enjoy him without stint or break!

> Ann Griffiths Translated by Tony Conran

A Warm Welcome to all who are sharing with us in worship today. 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 (The Taize Mass)

#### HYMNS:

- 338 At the name of Jesus
- 443 Rejoice the Lord is King
- 295 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
- 297 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
- 456 Teach me my God and King

### **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33-37 **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians3:12-4:2 Luke 21:25-28,34-36

ORGAN PRELUDE: Préambule op. 31 Louis Vierne (1870-1931) ORGAN POSTLUDE: Hymn Improvisation: Christ Triumphant John Barnard (1948-)

### Parish News

**Today's Sermon** is entitled "Jesus is Lord." Far from being a moniker of patriarchal oppression, as popular

feminism would have it, such a description of Jesus has political overtones. For the early Christians it was a way of saying that he had a greater claim on their lives than the cult of Emperor worship. As we celebrate the feast of Christ the King today, we reflect on the practical claims he has on our every day lives.

**10.30 Service** We will celebrate the feast of Christ the King with a procession around the interior of the Church during the singing of the first hymn. After communion Edith and Eli Sahagun will come forward for a blessing as they proceed to their new life in Blenheim.

<u>A Parish forum</u> will follow the 10.30 am Service today with a general round up of parish news, and a particular focus on this month's Vestry meeting reinvestment decisions regarding some of the parish bequests.

**Anglican Communion flag** The "Compass Rose" flag, the emblem of the Anglican Communion, and a sign that the parish looks beyond being merely a local, national version of the Anglican Church to a wider sense of belonging to our world wide Communion, has arrived, and is up the flag pole. As a personal reminder of this wider sense of belonging, the Bishop of Peru and his wife turned up at the 8 am Service last Sunday. They were holidaying with family in St Clair after the Anglican Consultative Council meeting in Auckland.

**Fellowship group** The group will have its Christmas dinner on Tuesday at St Barnabas preceded by a Service in the Chapel at 6.15 pm. Cost \$25 for the meal, and \$5 for a gift. Ring Raylene 455 2389 in the evenings to book in.

**Brass cleaning** will take place on Friday 21 December At 10.30 am. All helpers appreciated. **Rowan Williams lecture** On Tuesday 4 December the Vicar will give the third of the Caversham lectures, explaining the theological sources of Rowan Williams take on the world, and how these have shaped his leadership of the Anglican Communion. The lecture will be given at 2 pm in the Parish centre for those who do not care to travel at night, and then again at 7.30 pm in the evening. It will be lighter in content and style than the last one on Karl Rahner.

**<u>Rock</u>** The November edition of the Rock is available at the back of the Church.

**Consternation** has ensued within the Church of England as the General Synod vote on women bishops has turned the proposal down by six votes in the house of laity, despite big majorities for it in the houses of bishops and clergy. Under the rules the measure cannot come back to General Synod until 2015. The bishops have met this week to see if they can find a way around this situation.

**Pray for the Sick and Infirm:** Rita Marlow, Claire Johnson, John Peterson, Hannah Scott, Lil Bedford, Cherry Gordon, and Denise Walker.

**Pray for those who have died** recently, especially Daphne Torrance and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mabel Jacobs, Hope Burnett, Doris Dickson, Nancy Harper and James McQueen.

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