



St. Peter's Caversham  
**The Pebble**

17 February 2013

Lent 1

**Lent**

Welcome dear feast of Lent: who loves not thee,  
He loves not Temperance, or Authority,  
But is composed of passion.  
The Scriptures bid us *fast*; the Church says, *now*:  
Give to thy Mother, what thou wouldst allow  
To every corporation.

It's true, we cannot reach Christ's fortieth day;  
Yet to go part of that religious way,  
Is better than to rest:  
We cannot reach our Saviour's purity;  
Yet are we bid, *be holy even as he*.  
In both let's do our best.

Who goeth in the way Christ hath gone,  
Is much more sure to meet with him, than one  
That travelleth by-ways:  
Perhaps my God, though he be far before,  
May turn, and take me by the hand, and more  
May strengthen my decays.

Yet Lord instruct us to improve our fast  
By starving sin and taking such repast,  
As may our faults control:  
That every man may revel at his door,  
Not in his parlour; banqueting the poor,  
And among those his soul.

*George Herbert,*

**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:**

507 Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us  
67 Forty days and forty nights  
83 Glory be to Jesus  
70 Lord Jesus, think on me  
64 Be thou my guardian

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

[Deuteronomy 26:4-10](#)

[Romans 10:8-13](#)

[Luke 4:1-13](#)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

[Genesis 15:5-12,17-18](#)

[Philippians 3:17-4:1](#)

[Luke 9:28-36](#)

**Parish News**

**Sing along with Schubert** At a convenient moment during the refreshments that follow the 10.30 am Service we will gather in the Church to rehearse the Schubert responses that will soon be used as the acclamation responses in the Great Thanksgiving prayer at the Parish Eucharist.

**Repainting of the hall interior** is now complete. The builder has been carrying out follow on repairs to the roof. When the fundraising raffle has been drawn there will be an appeal to complete funding the costs of this project through parishioner subscription.

**Lent Bible study** Beginning tomorrow night, and then running over the five Mondays of Lent, we will be working our way through the epistle to the Galatians. A 7 pm Eucharist will precede these Bible studies, which will then follow in the Vicarage.

**Caversham lectures** These are now being timetabled, and will include Professor John Stenhouse on the social impact of south Dunedin's churches, Dr William Harris on the fragmentation of Syria and Lebanon and its implications for the Christian minority, and David Howard, poet, and this year's Burns Fellow.

**Christian Meditation day** at St Peter's hall on Saturday 23 February from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm. Everyone is most welcome. Format: Most of the time will be spent in silence, beginning with a short talk from a CD, followed by half-hour meditation. Then 20 minutes of silence for people to spend in the garden or spend time in the Church, followed by another short talk and a half-hour period of meditation. During afternoon tea there will be time for questions and sharing of thoughts. Margaret Moore (Southern Regional Co-ordinator) and Jane Hole (National Co-ordinator from NZ Christian Meditation Community) will join us for this day. Further information is available from Moira Gallagher phone 477 4543 or email [moirapgall@gmail.com](mailto:moirapgall@gmail.com)

**The Rock** Today is the last day for forwarding material to David Scoular for inclusion in the February edition of the Rock.

**Return to traditional music settings for the Sunday Eucharist** It has been some years since we sang music from the Schubert Mass at the 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist. Beginning in Lent we will resume the use of this attractive and accessible music, which will have the added advantage that the people's responses will now be in English, not Latin. The Eucharistic rite remains the same, with just a few minor adjustments to simplify things.

**Fellowship group** The St Peter's fellowship group will meet on Tuesday 26 February at 7.30 pm. Fr Hugh will chair the meeting as the group plans its itinerary for the year. He will also give a short talk before supper.

**Holy Week preparations** On Saturday 16 March there will be brass cleaning for Easter. Palm Sunday crosses will be made on Saturday 23 March at 10.30 am.

**Lent book** The Vicar is happy to lend a theology or spirituality book to those wanting to deepen their Christian knowledge through the season of lent.

**Pray for the Sick and Infirm** Rita Marlow, Claire Johnson, John Peterson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Juen Miyagi, Eileen Pratt and Denise Walker.

**Pray for those who have died** especially those whose memorial occurs at this time: Merle Forrest, Daniel Gillies, Mary Robbins, Cyril Tourelle and Rosemary Simons.

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