



St. Peter's Caversham

The Pebble

10 March 2013

Lent 4

Recalling Crucial Biblical Events

Worship is an encounter with events. The gospel is about unique events through which the human situation has been changed. These events are not dead but alive...Christian worship has a unique character which operates on the principle of the incarnation. It is sacramental. In it the events of Christ's life, death and resurrection become truly present. Christ is not simply a human person present in our worship, he is the particular person of these events, and he is not simply present in our heads or in our feelings, but is sacramentally present.

George Guiver

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 and the potluck lunch 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 (Mass in F - Schubert))

HYMNS:

77 The God of love my Shepherd is
353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind
302 O thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray
282 Faithful Shepherd feed me
306 Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Joshua 5: 9-12](#)

[2 Corinthians 5: 17-21](#)

[Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

[Isaiah 43: 16-21](#)

[Philippians 3: 8-14](#)

[John 8: 1-11](#)

Organ Prelude: Chorale Prelude: *The Lord's my Shepherd*.
Jan Pieterszoon Sweelink (1562-1621)

Organ Postlude: *Psalm 23* Howard Goodall (1958-)

Parish News

This morning's sermon is entitled "When the manna stopped falling," a reflection on the Joshua reading. It leads us in to a deeper understanding of how and why we powerfully recall crucial events of salvation history in the Sunday Eucharist.

Mothering Sunday Today is mothering Sunday. Sprigs of rosemary will be blessed and given out after the Service.

Pot luck lunch A pot lunch follows the 10.30 am Service as is our custom on the second Sunday of the month.

Lent Bible study We continue to work our way through the epistle to the Galatians in our Monday night Lenten Bible studies. Tomorrow night we turn our attention to the fourth and fifth chapters of the epistle in which the relationship between law and grace comes centre stage, and which concludes with the famous words about the fruit of the Holy Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, fidelity, gentleness and self-control. A 7 pm Eucharist precedes these Bible studies, which then follow in the Vicarage.

Wardens meeting The next Wardens meeting will be on Tuesday. Please mention any matters you want raised at that meeting to Tubby or Joy.

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

Easter Vigil readings The Vicar would be most grateful if volunteers could sign up to the notice on the noticeboard to read a lesson at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night. This is the most central and wonderful liturgy of the year.

Caversham lectures A complete list of the titles and the dates of the Caversham lectures for this year can be found on the noticeboard in the Link. They have also been posted on the web site.

Draft roster A draft roster of support duties for the 10.30 am Service will be available next Sunday for comment so that helpful emendations can be made before its final publication and distribution.

Rock deadline The deadline for material for the March edition of the Rock is next Sunday 17 March.

Confession Lent is a good time to make your confession in preparation for Holy Week. This can be arranged by making a time with the Vicar.

Theology seminar The Vicar will be giving a paper next Friday at 3 pm at the Otago theology department on “the Holy Spirit as architect of God’s surprising future: Robert Jenison’s protest against contentless eschatology.” This will be in seminar room 4c.11 on the 4th floor in the Arts Building. Further details are on the noticeboard in the Link.

Clarifying our prayer list The people we pray for Sunday by Sunday on our sick and infirm list remain relatively the same, yet in a number of cases we do not know if their situation has changed since the request first came in for their presence there. The Vicar would be grateful for fresh information on this account so that our intercessory prayer is informed and appropriate.

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: Thomas Robbins, Claude Morris, Philip Hitchcox, Frderick Allen, Arthur Goodwillie, Ellen Brown, William Hodgson and Cecil Steele

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