



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

17 March 2013

Lent 5

**Flesh and Spirit**

Think flesh away, attempt  
To be pure spirit and  
Be in your God so wrapt  
That you can understand

His working and his way  
Of leaving you to let  
You find his heart and stay  
In his pure spirit, set

Where time is cast away,  
Where flesh makes no demands  
And there's no night or day,  
No limbs, no head, no hands –

But wait, did Christ not come  
To re-perfect our flesh  
By making it his home  
And the whole Godhead's wish?

*Elizabeth Jennings  
In the Meantime*

**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 (Mass in F - Schubert))

**HYMNS:**

439 Praise to the holiest in the height

285 For the beauty of the earth

78 Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle

66 Forgive our sins as we forgive

95 When I survey the wondrous cross

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

[Isaiah 43:16-21](#)

[Philippians 3:8-14](#)

[John 8:1-11](#)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

[Isaiah 50:4-7](#)

[Philippians 2:6-11](#)

[Luke 22:14-23:56](#)

**Organ Prelude:** *Air* [from the 'Water Music'] George Frederick Handel [1685-1759]

**Organ Postlude:** *Pange Lingua* Marcel Dupre [1886-1971]

**Parish News**

**This morning's sermon** is entitled "Transforming Eros," and is a reflection on the story of the woman taken in adultery. It asks why did God invent desire?

**Lent Bible study** Our final Bible study for Lent takes place on Monday evening as we read our way through the sixth chapter of the epistle to the Galatians. A 7 pm Eucharist precedes the Bible study, which then follow in the Vicarage.

**Fellowship group** The Fellowship group will meet on Tuesday at 6 pm for a pot luck tea, which will conclude with Night Prayer.

**Holy Week preparations** Palm Sunday crosses will be made on Saturday at 10.30 am in the Parish Lounge.

**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** The first Caversham lecture for the year will be on Tuesday 9 April at 7.30 pm in the hall as Professor Bill Harris of the department of political studies speaks on the fragmentation of Syria and Lebanon, and where this leaves the Christian minority. Bill lived and studied in the Lebanon for some years, and is married to a Lebanese Sunni Muslim.

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

**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.

**Holy Week Services** The Eucharist will be celebrated on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 7 pm in the evening. Maundy Thursday 7 pm Commemoration of the Institution of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday 12 noon Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Holy Saturday 8 pm Easter Vigil and first Mass of Easter, Easter Sunday 8 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist and procession.

**Parish outing to Maheno, Oamaru, Kakanui and Moeraki Saturday, April 20.**

Fr Bernard Wilkinson will be our tour guide on a parish bus tour outing to Maheno Anglican Church, St Luke's Oamaru for lunch, Kakanui, and then the Maori Church at Moeraki. Cost \$20 a head, bring your own lunch. Please book in by signing the list on the noticeboard.

**Red Cross Choir visit** Plans are afoot for the Red Cross choir to come to our 10.30 am Service in early May to accompany and musically enrich our Liturgy. The choir has around 35 members. Their previous visit was greatly appreciated and warmly remembered.

**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** Alan and Mel Ryall and their new baby boy. Alan, the painting contractor responsible for the recent refurbishment of St Peter's Parish Centre, is with his wife at Auckland's Starship Children's Hospital.

**Pray for those who have died** especially those whose memorial occurs at this time: James Clements, Ruth Mumford, Fr. Ilyan Eades, Ben Holden, Frederick Buxton, and Doreen Price.

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