



St. Peter's Caversham
The Pebble

4 August 2013 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Spirit and Flesh

Although we're chained to flesh and mostly love
Its senses, appetites, the way it gives
Pleasure to us, most of us think of
Another part, the spirit which too lives

And fashions art and our responses to art,
Which works through memory and intellect
And sometimes also we speak of the heart
Not meaning that which beats but one which acts

Through Judgement, insight...And how often we
Long to lose our bodies and to move
By our imaginations. Liberty

Works here and all the best of human love,
We move beyond the stars and through the sea,
We trust our souls and yet can find no proof.

Elizabeth Jennings

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 Sung Eucharist this morning

The Liturgy for Today:

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

10:30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS:

- 368 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer
345 Christ is the King! O friends rejoice
381 Jerusalem the golden
72 My faith looks up to thee
392 Lead kindly light

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23](#)

[Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11](#)

[Luke 12: 13-21](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

[Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14](#)

[Peter 1: 16-19](#)

[Mark 9: 2-10](#)

Organ Postlude: *Variation on an Old Psalm Tune*
George Dyson (1883-1964)

Parish News

Spring blossom bus tour Following on from the success of the parish bus tour to Maheno, Oamaru earlier this year another expedition is in the planning process for Saturday 5 October to catch the spring blossom season by following a route through Middlemarch, Ranfurly, Naseby, the Clyde dam

lookout, Alexandra, Roxburgh, Lawrence and Milton. Tickets are on sale now at \$30 and can be obtained from Kate Paterson or the Vicar. It is essential to obtain a ticket before the day of the trip.

Horizon group The Horizon group is a spiritual development programme for the elderly that is running over 7 successive Monday afternoons at 2 pm through July and early August. Tomorrow's session considers what makes for a good funeral, and the importance of planning one's own.

Hospice facts Last week's Horizon group meeting was at the Hospice and learned that that the Hospice is 2/3rds funded by the district health board and 1/3 from community fund raising. It has 9 beds, with average stays of 6 to 7 nights from the purpose usually of repite care or of getting patients comfortable with medication adjustment. There are around 160 patients in care from the Hospice, with most being cared for at home by the community team. Only a small percentage of local folk die in the Hospice, with most dying at home or in a rest home, and some in hospital.

Bishop to visit Vestry The Bishop will meet with Vestry for an hour in September as part of his out and about engagement policy, and in order to outline current diocesan reorganisation plans. The Vestry intends to draw up its own list of topics it wishes to raise with him.

To be married Please remember in your prayers Aaron Webster and Ngarita Unahi who are to be married at St Peters on Saturday 30 November.

Book of Remembrance If you would like to add names to the Book of Remembrance please contact David Hoskins 455-7537.

Roster If you havent received the next roster of Church 10.30 am duties please contact the Vicar so he can forward a copy to you.

Shrinking Synod At last year's Diocesan Synod the Vicar successfully brought forward a motion to reduce the size of Synod, with Diocesan Council to advance the formula for doing so in tandem with Diocesan reorganisation. Last week's Diocesan Council meeting decided that each parish should be allowed to send one priest and one lay person to future Synods. This is more drastic than that which the Vicar envisaged since, with the Diocese reducing from 30 parishes to a smaller number of ministry units, Synod would reduce to a modest number indeed. While this would make for an expeditious passage of business, the proposal may run into opposition on the floor of Synod from multi centre rural parishes, and abundantly clergied parishes, who may feel that difficult selection decisions lie ahead. However, the proposal is a vast improvement on the present vastly inflated Synod, in which some small parishes can send many local shared ministry priests to Synod.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Rita Marlow, Claire Johnson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Juen Miyagi, Margery Palmer, Joc Malcolmson and Denise Walker.

Pray for those who have died and those whose memorial occurs at this time especially Jan McPhee, William Dawson, Cecil Palmer and Alan Gale.

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