



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

15 September 2013

24th Sunday, Year C

***Leave me, O Love***

Leave me, O Love, which reachest but to dust;  
And thou, my mind, aspire to higher things;  
Grow rich in that which never taketh rust,  
Whatever fades but fading pleasure brings.  
Draw in thy beams, and humble all thy might  
To that sweet yoke where lasting freedoms be;  
Which breaks the clouds and opens forth the  
light,  
That doth both shine and give us sight to see.  
Oh, take fast hold; let that light be thy guide  
In this small course which birth draws out to  
death,  
And think how evil becometh him to slide,  
Who seeketh heaven, and comes of heavenly  
breath.

Then farewell, world; thy uttermost I see;  
Eternal Love, maintain thy life in me

*Sir Philip Sydney*

*Sydney was an Elizabethan Courtier and Soldier*

**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:**

- 334 All people that on earth do dwell  
472 When all thy mercies, O my God  
461 There's a wideness in God's mercy  
294 Just as I am  
393 Lead us heavenly Father, lead us

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

[Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14](#)

[1 Timothy 1: 12-17](#)

[Luke 15: 1-10](#)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:**

[Amos 8: 4-7](#)

[Timothy 2: 1-8](#)

[Luke 16: 1-13](#)

**Organ Postlude:** *Tune in E* George Thalben Ball  
(1896 -1987)

**Parish News**

**Today's sermon** is entitled "The Spiritual Poison of Schadenfreude." Rejoicing in the misfortunes of others, particularly those who have fallen from grace in Christian leadership positions or well known

celebrity culture, is a seductive and destructive temptation. Jesus has wise words on this subject in today's gospel that deserve unpacking for our time and place.

**Parish forum** A parish forum will follow today's 10.30 am Service with a roundup of diocesan and parish news.

**The Rock** The deadline for articles for the September edition of the Rock is next Sunday 22 September.

**Next Sunday** The celebrant and preacher at next Sunday's Services will be Fr Roger Barker as the Vicar will be in Sydney giving a paper at the Greek Orthodox Seminary, at which a theology conference will be taking place on St Cyril of Alexandria, one of the great theological generators of Christian orthodoxy as we understand it today. The Vicar will be away from Tuesday noon this week until Tuesday afternoon next week. In the event of pastoral emergencies please contact the Revd Eric Kyte, the Vicar of St John's Roslyn, ph 464 024.

**Fellowship group** The St Peter's Fellowship group will be holding a Pot Luck Tea in the hall, followed by a talk by Mr Douglas Clark of the Red Cross on Tuesday 24 September at 6.30 pm. Please advise Gay Webb ph 476 1613 to let her know you are coming.

**Synod in September** The Diocesan Synod will meet from 27 to 28 September at St Hilda's, concluding at 5 pm on Saturday evening. Motions to divest from companies involved in fossil fuel extraction and production, and to support the living wage campaign, will be before the Synod, and have already been endorsed by the Auckland Synod. There will be a proposed revision of the Cathedral statute, and a motion to unite the parishes of St Martins North East Valley and All Saints into one.

**Meet the candidates** in our local body elections tonight 7-9 pm in Sidey hall, Caversham Presbyterian Church, 61 Thorn St. Candidates for Mayor of Dunedin will speak and answer questions, candidates for City Council will be available. Admission by gold coin donation.

**Spring blossom bus tour** A bus expedition has been organised for Saturday 5 October to catch the spring blossom season by following a route through Middlemarch, Naseby, the Clyde dam lookout, Alexandra, Roxburgh, and Milton. Tickets are on sale now at \$30 and can be obtained from Kate Paterson or the Vicar.

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

**Pray for those who have died** and those whose memorial occurs at this time especially Una White, Lillian McGlynn, Edward Cottle, Bette Elliot, Minnie Jane Mumford, Betty Prail and Steven Taylor.

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Hugh Bowron – 455-3961

**Vicar's Warden:** Tubby Hopkins – 454-2399

**People's Warden:** Kate Paterson –455 5384

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