



St. Peter's Caversham
The Pebble

17 November 2013

33rd Sunday, Year C

In Silence

Be Still
Listen to the stones of the wall.
Be silent, they try
To speak your

Name.
Listen
To the living walls.
Who are you?
Who
Are you? Whose
Silence are you?

Who (be quiet)
Are you (as these stones
Are quiet). Do not
Think of what you are
Still less of
What you may one day be.
Rather be what you are (but who?) be
The unthinkable one
You do not know.

Continued on back page – author Thomas Merton

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:

446 Thou, whose almighty word
372 He who would valiant be
495 God is working his purpose out
257 This is the day the Lord hath made
362 Glorious things of thee are spoken

READINGS FOR TODAY:

[Malachi 4: 1-2](#)
[2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12](#)
[Luke 21: 5-19](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

[Samuel 5: 1-3](#)
[Colossians 1: 12-20](#)
[Luke 23: 35-43](#)

POSTLUDE: *Divertimento* (from *Four Improvisations*)
Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

Parish News

Research under way The Vestry is trying to discover who made St Peter's pulpit, and the reredos behind the altar, so that these remarkable items can be properly valued for insurance purposes. Dr Alex Trapeznik of the history

department has kindly made his research assistant Dr Austin Gee available to further this project.

Wardens meeting The Wardens and Vicar will meet on Monday. Please mention any matters you want raised at that meeting to Tubby or Kate.

Rock deadline The deadline for this month's edition of the Rock is 24 November, and for next month's 15 December so that we have time to print and distribute before Christmas.

Fellowship group The Fellowship group end of year lunch will be on Tuesday 26 November at 1 pm at St Barnabas at a cost of \$12, preceded by a celebration of the Eucharist at 12.30 pm in the Chapel of St Barnabas. You are invited to join us.

Tuesday lecture On Tuesday evening at 7.30 in the lounge Associate Professor John Stenhouse of the history department will be talking about the social impact of South Dunedin's Churches, exploding the myth that working class people did not attend South Dunedin's churches in this remarkable suburb, which emerged as a fully fledged modern industrial suburb right from its inception. He will also look at the way South Dunedin's churches acted as a matrix and encourager of trade unionism, first wave feminism and other pioneering social developments. John Stenhouse majors in the intersection of religion and culture in New Zealand society, and is keen to refute the impression put about by previous historians that New Zealand was one of the most secular societies in the world right from its inception.

CWS Philippines appeal Christian World Service is requesting donations to assist with relief efforts in the Philippines. Please mail your donations to P O Box 22652 Christchurch

Night Shelter AGM The Dunedin Night Shelter will hold its AGM on Thursday 28 November at 7 pm in the Burns hall at First Church. St Peters contributes to the running costs of this important social services organisation.

The remaining Caversham lecture On 26 November, "In the Still Centre: Poetry as an act of compassion," David Howard, poet, and this year's Burns fellow for literature, reads a selection of his favourite poems and tells us why he likes them, and what to look for in a poem.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm especially Rita Marlow, Claire Johnson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Juen Miyagi, Roy Harris, Shirley Buxton, and Denise Walker.

Pray for the Departed especially those whose memorial occurs at this time: Ruby Trim, Colin Trim, and Keith Littler

Front page poem continued

O be still, while
You are still alive,
And all things live around you
Speaking (I do not hear)
To your own being,
Speaking by the Unkown
That is in you and in themselves.

"I will try, like them
To be my own silence:
And this is difficult. The whole
World is secretly on fire. The stones
Burn, even the stones
They burn me. How can a man be still or
Listen to all things burning? How can he dare
To sit with them when
All their silence
Is on fire?"

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