

St. Peter's Caversham

The Pebble

21 September 2014

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Spring and Fall

to a young child

Margaret, are you grieving
Over Goldengrove unleaving?
Leaves, like the things of man, you
With your fresh thoughts care for, can you?
Ah! as the heart grows older
It will come to such sights colder
By and by, nor spare a sigh
Though worlds of wanwood leafmeal lie;
And yet you will weep and know why.
Now no matter, child, the name:
Sorrow's springs are the same.
Nor mouth had, no nor mind, expressed
What heart heard of, ghost guessed:
It is the blight man was born for,
It is Margaret you mourn for.

Gerard Manley Hopkins

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

HYMNS:

334 All people that on earth do dwell

472 When all thy mercies, O my God

385 Jesu, the very thought of thee

297 Lord Jesus Christ.

365 God moves in a mysterious way

READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 55: 6-9

Philippians 1: 20-24, 27a

Matthew 20: 1-16

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Ezekiel 18: 25-28 Philippians 2: 1-11 Matthew 21: 28-32

Parish News

Helping with the new sound system We will need to replace our wireless microphones later this year because the government will be taking over our former airwaves in order to make the new 4G cell phones possible. The cost will be at least \$1,500. Already we have received parishioner donations of \$320 towards this. Can you help also? Donations can be handed to the Vicar.

<u>Synod news</u> Last weekends Synod focussed on the Bishop's proposal that, as the diocese reshaped for a new emphasis on replanting the Christian faith and developing new faith communities in areas that have become unevangelised, it would be necessary to garner resources to support these mission

initiatives from the sale proceeds of redundant churches. It is hoped that the remnant groups of such extinguished parishes would consent to the handing over of their assets into a mission fund to support the pioneering work of the church planters, whose task would be to restart a new kind of Anglican Church in the southern regions.

<u>Quiet day</u> Mother Keleni and Sister Alena from the Community of the Sacred Name will be leading a Quiet Day from 9.30 am to 3.30 am here at St Peter's on Saturday 4 October. The theme of the day is PRAYER. Tea and coffee will be provided. Please bring lunch to share with others.

<u>Seeing more of Fr Roger</u> The Vicar will depart for Britain tomorrow taking all his annual leave in consecutive weeks so as to make the trip worth while. Thus Fr Roger will be the celebrant and preacher in late September, and throughout October.

Spring Flower Festival

Today is the last day of our Spring Flower Festival beginning at 2 pm, which includes displays of vestments and liturgical items for public inspection in the Church.

And Vestments With A Difference....

Not long before his death in the 1950's the famous French artist Henri Matisse was asked to design every aspect of the interior of a chapel for nuns at Vence in the southeast of France. The chapel was a small, understated building, with its main feature being its tall stained glass windows. Matisse considered it his greatest work. So great was his attention to detail that he also designed the vestments. Made out of silk, they have striking designs on them. The originals have since been on sold to the Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art in New York. In a four year project Fr Hugh Bowron had a New Zealand vestment maker Elizabeth Kimberley construct copies of them. These will be on display at St Peter's this afternoon, together with the best of St Peter's treasure trove of Eucharistic vestments including a rare chance to view one of the 19th century Fr King chasubles on loan from the Please come and inspect these remarkable church Cathedral. textiles.

<u>The Fellowship group</u> meets on Tuesday at 2 pm in the Botanical Garden's car park for afternoon tea in the Kiosk

followed by a walk around the gardens. Anyone requiring a ride please phone Raylene on 455 2389 or Gay on 476 1613. If raining we will meet at Raylene's at A/172 Oxford St.

<u>Centering Prayer Retreat</u> at Tolcarne apartments, St Hilda's Collegiate, Maori hill led by Bishop Kelvin Wright 29 September to 3 October. Cost \$250. Registration enquiries John Franklin 021 708 991 John@calledsouth.org.nz

<u>Monday Club</u> meeting in the Parish Hall from 10 am. Everyone is very welcome.

<u>Thursday Eucharist</u> The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Parish Lounge on Thursday's at 10 am.

<u>Meditation group</u> Each Thursday after our 10 am Eucharist a small group of parishioners, together with some Anderson's Bay parishioners, meet to spend time in silent prayer waiting on God, using the Sunday Mass readings as the basis of their meditation. They would welcome new prayer companions. For further details contact Rosemary Brown at 489 6386.

<u>Spring hedge trim</u> Grateful thanks to Tubby and Averil Hopkins for giving the Church hedge a spring trim just as the growth season starts.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Johnson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Juen Miyagi, Shirley Menzies, and Denise Walker.

<u>Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time:</u> Dorothy Leftwich, Una White, Lillian McGlynn, Edward Cottle, Bette Elliot, Minnie Mumford, Betty Praill and Steven Taylor.

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