



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

25 January, 2015

Ordinary Sunday 3

**Breviary**

Lord,  
I know my days are numbered  
there are not many of them left  
enough for me to gather the sand  
with which they will cover my face

I will not have enough time  
to render justice to the injured  
or ask forgiveness of all those  
who suffered evil at my hands  
that is why my soul is grieved

my life  
should come full circle  
close like a well-built sonata  
but now I see clearly  
just before the coda the broken chords  
badly set colours and words  
the din of dissonance  
the tongues of chaos

why  
was my life  
not like circles on the water  
welling from infinite depths  
like an origin which grows  
falls into layers rungs folds  
to expire serenely  
in your inscrutable lap

*Zbigniew Herbert, translated from the Polish by Alissa Valles*

**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:**

451 Songs of praise

200 Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult

353 Dear Lord and Father

Motet: In heavenly love abiding (Soloist: Arnold Bachop)

361 Forth in the peace of Christ we go

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

[Jonah 3: 1-5, 10](#)

[1 Corinthians 7: 29-31](#)

[Mark 1: 14-20](#)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

[Malachi 3: 1-4](#)

[Hebrews 2: 14-18](#)

[Luke 2: 22-40](#)

**Parish News**

**Today's sermon** is entitled "Sacrificial Living," and reflects on the Markan theme of repentance as a call to develop and deepen our life with Christ in a continuing conversion in which stamina and faithfulness over a lifetime transforms us decisively from within.

**Frances Hodgkins in January** The Frances Hodgkins housegroup will have its first meeting for the year on Monday in the Garden Lounge at 2 pm.

**Caversham lectures** Planning is under way for this year's Caversham lectures. Topics and lecturers confirmed so far include Professor Blair Fitzharris on potential flooding hazards for the South Dunedin area in the light of the high water table and porous soils of the area, together with the possible impact of climate change and ocean inundation on this part of the city. David Hoskins will give a presentation on New Zealand's National Film Unit, and the way in which the Labour and National governments found it a powerful communication tool for their different visions of New Zealand. Dr Alex Trapeznik of the Otago History department will give a talk on the history of Dunedin's Warehouse Precinct area, formerly at the epicentre of Dunedin's prosperity, and now being re-developed in interesting ways. Dates for these lectures have yet to be finalised.

**Next Sunday** will be the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, commonly known as Candlemas.

**New Shrubs for the Eastbourne St garden** Tubby and Averil Hopkins have been continuing their much appreciated gardening activities in the Church gardens in January. Their focus now moves to the Eastbourne St garden area adjacent the hall. They need about \$500 for shrubs and bark to further develop this area. While a funding application for this purpose will go the February Vestry meeting parishioner donations for this purpose would be much appreciated, and can be handed to the Vicar.

**Pray for the Sick and Infirm** Claire Johnson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Jun Miyagi, Shirley Menzies, George, Nonie and Rachel Connor, Kaye Fowler and Denise Walker.

**Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time:** Helen Dutton, Margaret Peterson, and Vera Paris

**Two Episcopal visits** Bishop Victoria Mathews will be the celebrant and preacher on the Sunday of our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, Michaelmas 27 September 2015. This is because our Bishop will be on study leave then. Bishop Kelvin will be with us on Holy Saturday evening 4 April to preach and Confirm at our Easter Vigil and first Mass of Easter at 8 pm.

**New arrangements at St Barnabas** From now on the Vicar will celebrate the Eucharist on two Tuesdays a month at St Barnabas rest home at the usual time of 11 am, generally at fortnightly intervals. In the intervening weeks he will visit to spend time talking to residents, and being pastorally available to them. The new arrangement reflects the fact that the Vicar attends Diocesan Trust Board meetings on one Tuesday morning in the month, and that Mass attendances, which have been lower over the past year, are more likely to grow through a deeper level of pastoral connection and involvement in the weeks between Services. The roster for St Barnabas Services has been posted on the web site, and on the Link noticeboard.

**Next Wardens meeting** The first Wardens meeting for the year will be on 10 February. Please mention to Tubby or Kate any matters you want raised at that meeting.

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