



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

13 SEPTEMBER, 2015

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

**THE ROYAL BANNERS**

The royal banners forward go,  
The Cross shines forth in mystic glow,  
Where he in flesh, our flesh who made,  
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid.

Fulfilled is all that David told  
In true prophetic song of old,  
The universal Lord is he,  
Who reigns and triumphs from the tree.

O Tree of beauty, Tree of light,  
O Tree with royal beauty dight,  
Elect on whose triumphal breast  
Those holy limbs should find their rest.

On whose dear arms, so widely flung,  
The weight of this world's ransom hung,  
The price of humankind to pay  
And spoil the spoiler of his prey.

To thee, eternal Three in One,  
Let homage meet by all be done:  
Whom by thy Cross thou dost restore,  
Preserve and govern evermore. Amen.

*Latin, Venantius Fortunatus 530-609  
Tr J.M. Neale*

**A Warm Welcome**

to all who are sharing with us in worship today. 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:**

148 The God of Abraham praise (omit verse 2)

439 Praise to the holiest in the height

467 Through all the changing scenes of life

379 In the cross of Christ I glory.

392 Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

[Numbers 21: 4-9](#)

[Philippians 2: 6-11](#)

[John 3: 13-17](#)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

[Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20](#)

[James 3: 16-4: 3](#)

[Mark 9: 30-37](#)

**Parish News**

**Procession** Today we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Our 10.30 Service will begin with a procession around the Church. Please feel free to join in.

**Potluck lunch** A potluck lunch follows the 10.30 Service this morning, a regular custom at St Peters on the second Sunday of the month. All welcome.

**Pre-figuring Synod** The Vicar will bring a bill to Synod aiming to reduce the number of clergy entitled to speak and vote at Synod, a contentious matter which has not been resolved so far despite several attempts to do so. The problem follows on from the automatic granting of full Synod representation rights to the many

clergy ordained in total ministry parishes during the Penny Jamieson era. The Diocesan Manager has brought forward a controversial budget which would increase staffing positions at the Diocesan Office with a consequent expansion of the budget. Various funding options have been proposed ranging from building/land sales, passing the hat around well off parishes, to taking out a large loan from the Trust Board.

**Wardens meeting** The Vicar will meet with the Wardens on Monday. Please mention to Kate or Tubby any items you want raised at that meeting.

**Rock** Copies of this month's edition of the Rock can be uplifted from the back of the Church or the Link.

**Two time things to remember** As we prepare for the big 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations this month it is vitally important to remember that the Sunday Service on 27 September is at 10 am, not 10.30 am as usual, and that there is a daylight saving change to summer time with clocks going forward at 2 am to 3 am.

**Synod Service next Sunday** Please be aware that next Sunday we are hosting the Diocesan Synod Service here at St Peters, which means that the main Service will be at 8 am. This will be an enjoyable Service as it will be an opportunity for you to re-connect with many folk from across the diocese. We hope that the majority of parishioners will attend this Service, but for those unable to rise at that early hour there will be a brief Service of communion from the reserved sacrament which Michael Forrest will lead in the lounge at 10.30 am.

**Link noticeboard** The Link noticeboard is not a community noticeboard. Please clear with the Vicar any items you wish to display there. A community noticeboard is provided on the other side of the Link.

**Pray for the Sick and Infirm** Claire Johnson, Cherry Gordon, Jun Miyagi, Shirley Menzies, Margaret Sterling, Anita Stephens, Mahlia Napier, and Denise Walker.

**Pray for those who have died recently** Peggy Allan.

**Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time** William Peterson, Peter Palmer, Dorothy Leftwitch, Una White, Lillian McGlynn, Edward Cottle, Bette Elliot, Minnie Mumford, and Betty Prail

**Colourful Vicars from St Peters past** On the Saturday afternoon of our 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations Bishop Kelvin will be with us, joined during the Organ recital by Bishop Victoria Matthews. After the screening of the documentary "Thanks for the memory," the Vicar will give a talk on "Colourful Vicars from St Peters past." These will include the Reverend Bryan King, the late 19<sup>th</sup> century Vicar who brought Anglo-Catholicism to the parish. It will include his son Vincent King, ordained in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century who, as Chaplain to public institutions from 1906 to 1926, became the social worker priest of the diocese, assisting in the formation of the City Mission in Filleul St in 1919. Fr E.D Evans will also figure. He came out to New Zealand in 1910 with the Mission of Help, a nationwide evangelisation effort, and stayed to become Vicar of St Peters from 1911 to 1914. A vigorous missionary and Anglo-Papalist, he would launch Holy Cross St Kilda as a Chapel of ease of St Peters. Departing for America in 1914 he would marry a millionaire's daughter in a splendid nuptial Mass in New York with two Episcopal Bishops presiding, and would then become the Rector of St Luke's Baltimore, a large Anglo-Catholic parish with 1,200 parishioners. His wife was given to mystical visions of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and of St Teresa of Avila. Also included will be Fr Mortimer, Vicar from 1914 to 1920, who came out to New Zealand in 1910 to be curate to Fr Burton, the barn storming mission priest who changed St Michaels Christchurch into the premier Anglo-Catholic parish of New Zealand. Mortimer married Burton's daughter in 1913. Mortimer was much interested in Christian socialism and industrial relations issues. He died of TB in 1920. Clergy of the inter war and immediate post world war two era will also receive attention.

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