



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

20 SEPTEMBER, 2015

25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**WHAT HAPPENS IN THE EUCHARIST**

The glorified Christ, crucified and risen, is eternally active towards God the Father on our behalf, drawing us into the eternal movement of self-giving love that the Son or Word directs towards the source of all, the God Jesus calls "Abba." The sacrifice of the cross is, among other things, the "transcription" into this world's terms of the Son's movement of love towards the Father in heaven. In the Eucharist, our prayer is swept into that current, and we are set free to share in the Son's self-giving. The giving of thanks over the elements renews for us the covenant made by God in Christ, and the work of God in the cross is again "applied" to us, in word and action, in body and soul...the presence that is appropriate and intelligible in the Eucharist is neither the presence of an idea in our minds...nor the presence of a uniquely sacred object on the Table. It is the presence of an active Christ, moving in love not only towards the Father but towards us.

*Rowan Williams*

*"Foreword" in the "Mystery of the Eucharist in the Anglican Tradition"*

*H R McAdoo, Kenneth Stevenson, editors*

**A Warm Welcome**

**to all who are sharing with us in worship today,  
especially the members of the Diocesan Synod.**

**The Liturgy for Today:**

**8:00 am** Solemn Sung Eucharist

**10:30 am** Holy Communion in the Parish Lounge

**HYMNS:**

334 All people that on earth do dwell

306 Strengthen for service

483 The Church of God a Kingdom is

285 For the beauty of the earth

392 Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

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

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

[Mark 9: 30-37](#)

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

[Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12](#)

[1 Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17](#)

[John 2: 13-22](#)

**Parish News**

**Synod Service** This morning we welcome the diocesan family to our 8 am Service as it gathers at St Peters for the concluding day of Synod. The parish is providing breakfast for the Synod members. Please proceed through the Link at the conclusion of the Service to the lounge and hall where breakfast will be served. After breakfast Synod will reconvene in the Church.

**Fellowship group** The Fellowship group meets next on Tuesday 22 September at the Gardens Kiosk for afternoon tea at 2 pm. Please ring Raylene at 455 2389 if you require a ride.

**Brass cleaning** Brass cleaning for the 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations will take place on Friday in the hall. All assistance welcomed.

**Two time things to remember** As we prepare for the big 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations next Sunday 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.

**Saturday 150<sup>th</sup> programme** Our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend programme begins with registration and welcome at 1 pm followed by the Douglas Mews organ recital at 2 pm. Afternoon tea follows at 3.30 pm at which the anniversary cake will be cut. Then at 4 pm "Thanks for the Memory" will be screened, a film presentation of edited highlights of recent interviews with senior parishioners. This will be followed by a presentation from the Vicar entitled "Colourful past Vicars of St Peters." The day concludes with drinks and nibbles.

**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.

**Archbishop of Canterbury calls for primates meeting** Justin Welby has written to all 37 Primates inviting them to attend a special Primates meeting at Canterbury in January 2016 to reflect and pray together concerning the future of the Communion. This will be an opportunity to review the structures of the Anglican Communion and to decide together their approach to the next Lambeth Conference. The agenda will be set by common agreement with all Primates encourages to send in their contributions. An interesting addition to the guest list is Archbishop Foley Beach of the Anglican Church in North America to be present for part of the proceedings.

**Joan Butcher's birthday** Parishioners may like to know that one of our more well-known parish identities celebrates her birthday on Wednesday.

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

**Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time** Steven Taylor, Susan Snell and Ada Morris.

**The rest of the year in prospect:**

- The **St Peters Caversham Festival of Flowers** will run over the weekend of 17-18 October in the Church and in the Hall. The Festival will be organised and presented by the Dunedin Floral Art Society. Entry is by gold coin donation with the proceeds going to the Night Shelter.
- The **Caversham lectures** run throughout November, beginning with **God, the Devil and the Demon Drink** on Tuesday 3 November in which Associate Professor John Stenhouse explores the connection between Dunedin's churches, first wave feminists and the movement for Prohibition. **Dunedin's Warehouse Precinct** is the theme of Associate Professor Alex Trapeznik's lecture on 10 November, with Emeritus Professor Blair Fitzharris giving a presentation on 17 November on **the potential vulnerability of South Dunedin to coastal flooding and ocean inundation**. Then on 24 November David Hoskins will speak on **Government use of the New Zealand Film Unit documentaries to develop a mythology of nation**. These lectures will begin at 7.30 pm in the parish lounge.
- On Sunday 29 November, the first Sunday in Advent, there will be a Service at 5 pm based around John Donne's **La Corona** sequence of poems presenting a Marian perspective on the main events of Christ's life, with music in a Jacobean mode.

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