



St. Peter's Caversham
The Pebble

13 March

Lent 5

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 purple 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.

O Cross, our one reliance, hail!
So may thy power with us prevail?
To give new virtue to the saint,
And pardon to the penitent

Venantius Fortunatus 530-609, Translated J.M. Neale 1818-66

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)

10:30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS:

439 Praise to the holiest in the height

483 The Church of God a kingdom is

86 My song is love unknown

307 Sweet Sacrament divine

95 When I survey the wondrous cross

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Isaiah 43: 16-21](#)

[Philippians 3: 8-14](#)

The response to [Psalm 126](#) is:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy

[John 12: 1-8](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Isaiah 50: 4-7](#)

[Philippians 2: 6-11](#)

[Luke 22: 14-23: 56](#)

Parish News

Organist This morning we welcome Margaret Murphy as our organist at the 10.30 am Service as David is on leave.

Potluck lunch follows our 10.30 am Service as is our custom on the second Sunday of the month. All welcome.

Documentary film season On Tuesday evening at 7.30 pm in the Vicarage we will be watching a rescreening of *From Scotland with Love*. A number of people wanted to watch this film but were prevented by other commitments.

Fish and Chip Friday Eucharists Next Friday will be the final in our Lenten extra Eucharists celebrated at 5.30 pm in the parish lounge with a dialogue sermon followed by a shared fish and chip tea.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week.

Holy Week Services

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 5.30 pm: The Eucharist

Maundy Thursday 7 pm: Commemoration of the Institution of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 12 noon: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday 8 pm: Easter Vigil, and first Mass of Easter

Easter Sunday: 8 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist and procession

Francis Hodgkins The Francis Hodgkins house group will meet on Monday at 2 pm in the Garden lounge. *The Cathedral of Monreale* and *The Painted Churches of Romania* documentaries will be shown at this gathering.

Brass cleaning There will be brass cleaning at 10.30 am on Holy Saturday 26 March. Helpers welcome.

Confession Lent is a good time to make your confession in preparation for Holy Week. You can do this by making a time with the Vicar.

The Ordinariate When Pope Benedict created the Ordinariate to receive Anglicans bailing out over changes in the C of E into Catholic ecclesial life with an Anglo-Catholic tinge there was an initial wave of new recruits that then ebbed to very few. Now in a strange twist the Ordinariate parishes are growing as result of Catholic recruits, either the lapsed returning or practising Catholics who prefer the more formal liturgical style of this new phenomenon.

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

Pray for those who have died Cecil Steel, Shirley Hall, Frederick Allen, Arthur Goodwillie, Allen Brown, William Hodgeson.

Episcopalians will be at ACC in Lusaka Justin Welby's apparent success at the January Primates' meeting in keeping the Communion together is coming under serious strain as the Episcopalian members of the Anglican Consultative Council have made it clear that they intend to turn up at the next meeting in Lusaka in April and exercise their voting privileges claiming that the Primates have no authority to prevent them doing so. This is one of the representative bodies that the Episcopal Church is supposed to be taking a break from over the next three years as a consequence of their proposed changes to their marriage canons. However this always depended upon the Episcopal Church voluntarily accepting their restrictions. Already the Ugandan Church has given notice it will not attend the ACC meeting. Further reaction from the Global South Provinces may well now follow as they will say that as usual the Americans just ignore any disciplinary action against them, and forge ahead as though they have no mutual responsibility obligations.

New Dean for the Taranaki It was announced in the past week that Peter Beck will come out of his early retirement to become the new Dean of Taranaki. His fund raising expertise, so ably demonstrated at St Matthews in the City, Auckland, and then at the former Christchurch Cathedral, will be very useful in seeking the substantial funding required to earthquake proof and restore to full liturgical functioning the pro-Cathedral of St Mary's, New Plymouth that was raised to Cathedral status in recent years. Archbishop Phillip Richardson and Peter Beck are well known to one another and this cordial relationship will also be of value in this new beginning. The St Mary's congregation is presently worshipping in their hall. The Taranaki is a subset region of the Diocese of Waikato.

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