



St. Peter's Caversham

3 April

The Pebble

Easter 2

THE EASTER ANTHEMS

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed:

Therefore let us keep the feast,
not with the old leaven,

the leaven of corruption and wickedness:

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again:

death no longer has dominion over him.

The death he died, he died to sin once for all:

but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin:

and alive to God in Jesus Christ.

Christ has been raised from the dead:

the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For as by a man came death:

By a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die:

So also in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 5: 7,8, Romans 6: 9-11, 1 Corinthians 15: 20-22

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:

117 The day of resurrection

102 A brighter dawn is breaking

351 Come ye faithful, raise the anthem

105 Christ the Lord is risen again! (2nd tune)

121 This joyful Eastertide

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Acts 5: 12-16](#)

The response to [Psalm 118](#) is:

Give thanks, for the Lord is good, God's love is everlasting

[Revelation 1: 9-11, 12-13, 17-19](#)

[John 20: 19-31](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41](#)

[Revelation 5: 11-14](#)

[John 21: 1-19](#)

Parish News

Parish forum A parish forum will follow the 10.30 am Service this morning as we have the good fortune to have the Revd Jonathan Hicks with us today who is our new mission partner. He will be speaking about his new role as theological educator at the diocesan theological College on Malaita in the Solomons. Jonathan returned to Dunedin briefly for some health checks and we had the unexpected pleasure of his company at the Easter Vigil Service. We will use this opportunity to decide on a date and time for a

Requiem for Margery Palmer. If time permits the Vicar will give a preliminary briefing on the parish's financial situation.

Evensong and Benediction This evening at 5 pm followed by a social gathering in the lounge.

Paradise and Calvary Preparations are well under way for our special Easter season Service on Sunday 17 April at 5 pm in which we will reflect on four of John Donne's poems about death and resurrection. Some parishioners will be offering personal reflections on Easter themes.

Cathedral Choir to visit Last year we hosted the Christchurch Cathedral choir. This year we will host the Dunedin Cathedral choir and their organist and choir director George Chittenden. This will be for Evensong and Benediction on Sunday 6 November at 5 pm. On that occasion we will celebrate the Feast of the Dedication. A social gathering will follow afterwards so that we can mix and mingle with the choristers.

Organist celebrity concert Striking while the iron is hot the Vicar has asked the Cathedral organist to be our celebrity organist this year, following on from the success of the Douglas Mews concert that opened our 150th anniversary celebrations. George has agreed with enthusiasm. The concert is likely to be on a Saturday afternoon in October.

Rock The new edition of the Rock is available for collection in the Link and at the back of the Church.

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

Pray for those who have died especially the Christian victims murdered by the Taliban in Lahore, Pakistan. **Margery Palmer** , Adam-Michael Paterson, Robert Rae and Robert Walker.

Parish AGM

The parish annual general meeting will follow the 10.30 am Service on Sunday 24 April. In addition to electing the Vestry and People's Warden we must in accord with the required two year cycle elect Synod representatives.

Easter Sunday raffle results 1st Prize, Bear and Chocolates Toby Paris, 2nd prize Easter Bunny Rita-May Brown. The raffle raised \$96 for church funds.

Way Forward gathering The Bishop is holding a series of meetings throughout the diocese ahead of the May meeting of the General Synod to discuss and confer with Otago Southland Anglicans about the Motion 30 Same Sex blessings proposal contained in the report of the Way Forward task group. The Dunedin gathering will be at the Diocesan Office in Green Island on Tuesday 12 April at 7 pm.

Easter holiday trading Amid considerable debate the government is moving to bring forward new legislation to reform the present Easter holiday trading hours. The Vicar has been mystified for some time now why New Zealand has the Easter season holiday at all when we are continually being told how secular New Zealand society is, and when there is no wider society sentimental connection beyond the churches for this major Christian festival as there is with Christmas. Also Sabbatarian notions of trading and entertainment shut downs on major Christian occasions have faded from most Christians' consciousness. There could be some difficulties for church attendance on Good Friday if this was a normal working day but much of this could be obviated if the sensible suggestion that we follow the Anzac day rules was adopted with shops re-opening in the afternoon. The unions and the labour party have a point that the Easter break is a valuable time for families to be together but this issue could be addressed by legislation that gave workers the right to opt out of working over the Easter weekend.

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