

### St. Peter's Caversham

**22 May** 

# The Pebble

**Trinity** 

# The Compass Rose

St Peters often flies the flag of the Anglican Communion with its distinctive symbol the Compass Rose. The Compass Rose emblem was designed in 1954 by a well-known New York churchman, the Revd Canon Edward West, of the Cathedral of St John the Divine, New York. At the centre of the circular emblem is the red cross of St George on a silver shield, a reminder of the origins of the Anglican Communion and a unifying link of the past within the Communion today. Encircling the cross is a band bearing the Greek Inscription The Truth shall make you free in the original New Testament Greek. This quotation, from St John's gospel, was also the text of the opening sermon preached at the second Anglican International Congress, by the then Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Geoffrey Fisher. From the band radiate the points of the compass, the major divisions coloured in gold and blue and the minor divisions in green and gold. The compass symbolises the world-wide spread of the Anglican faith. Surmounting the shield, at the North, is a mitre, the symbol of the Apostolic Order, which is essential to all the Churches which constitute the Anglican Communion. Today the Compass Rose is used throughout the Anglican Communion as a symbol of the Anglican family of churches. It is also the logo of the Anglican Consultative Council.

# **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 and Procession

#### **HYMNS:**

148 The God of Abraham praise (omit verses 3 and 5)

357 Father, hear the prayer we offer

484 The Church's one foundation

147 Most ancient of all mysteries

433 O worship the King (omit verses 4 and 5)

#### **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Proverbs 8: 22-31

The response to Psalm 8 is:

O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth

Romans 5: 1-5 John 16: 12-15

#### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

<u>Genesis 14: 18-20</u>

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

Luke 9: 11-17

## **ORGAN POSTLUDE:**

# Parish News

**Procession** We mark the feast of the Holy, Blessed and Glorious Trinity, the very centrepiece of our faith, with a procession at the beginning of the 10.30 am Service. Please feel free to join in.

**Anglican Communion Sunday** As the Anglican Consultative Council recent meeting drew to a close in Lusaka it asked that Anglican parishes mark Anglican Communion Sunday on a convenient Sunday close to the feast of St Augustine.

We are doing that today with the sermon focussing on this theme.

**Next Sunday** Bishop Kelvin will be taking the Services next Sunday as the Vicar will be on leave.

**Gift of thurible** St Peter's has decided to give its spare thurible to St Matthews Church in the parish of Dukwasi, Diocese of Malaita in response to an enquiry from Jerry Oikwao who works in the monitoring and evaluation unit of the Ministry of Development Planning and Aid Co-ordination unit, and is a close friend of the Revd Jonathan Hicks, the missionary we support.

Musical weekend in July Dates have now been confirmed with George Chittendon, Cathedral organist, before he departs for Sweden with his celebrity organ concert taking place on Saturday 16 July at 2 pm and the Dunedin Cathedral Choir visit to St Peters occurring the following day on Sunday 17 July for a 5 pm Service of Evensong and Benediction.

**Frances Hodgkins** The usual cycle of Frances Hodgkin's events have been retimetabled because of the Vicar's leave arrangements. He will celebrate the Eucharist there on the second Thursday of the month 9 June at 11 am, and the house group will meet on Monday 13 June in the Garden Lounge at 2 pm. Two further episodes of Richard Taylor's "Churches: How to Read Them" will be screened.

<u>Graduation</u> The Vicar graduated yesterday to be capped for his Master of Theology, having completed his thesis last year. His distinction mark enabled the granting of a university scholarship, which is largely funding the writing of the parish history as a PhD project with the history department.

**St Peters Fellowship** meets at 2 pm Tuesday 24 May at Raylene's home A/172 Oxford St to view photos (on TV) of Gay Webb's visit to Alaska, Canada and USA.

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

**Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time** Rena Goodwillie, Elizabeth Dutton, Annie Clements, Michael Cottle, & William Monteith.

Surprising outcome at General Synod After much difficult debate General Synod has decided to table its "A Way Forward" report on blessings of same sex couples until General Synod 2018, "with a firm expectation that a decision to move forward will be made at that time." The Three Archbishops will appoint a working group to establish a structure that allows both those who can and those who cannot support the blessings of same sex relationships to remain within the church with integrity. While Tikanga Maori and Tikanga Pacifica were prepared to accept the report opposition to it from the Pakeha dioceses of Nelson, Christchurch and Wellington was the preventing factor.

Teschemakers expedition A parish outing to Teschemakers is planned for Saturday 1 October. Mass will be celebrated in the wonderful Chapel, lunch will follow on site at a cost of \$25 a head, there will be a tour, and then we will adjourn to the Victorian Warehouse Precinct of Oamaru. We are gauging potential support for this outing with a view to the size of the bus we should hire. This has a bearing on the overall cost of the outing. Please indicate on the noticeboard in the Link if you would like to be a part of this expedition. Think also of friends who might want to be included and members of other parishes and indicate accordingly.

**Parish history** The Vicar has now commenced research amongst the Hocken archives into the parish history focussing initially on the early 1920's, a turbulent period when the parish chewed through two Vicars in four years. It had enjoyed a long period of stability and growth from the late 19th century though the Vicariates of Frs Bryan King, E Dering Evans, and John Mortimer, from whom it derived its Anglo-Catholic character. Why then did the Revds Uphill and Turner leave in such short order fleeing respectively to Australia and Britain, with Turner no longer exercising his orders thereafter?

#### **Parish Directory**

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