



St Peter's Caversham

July 24 2016

## The Pebble

Ordinary 17

### Prayer (1)

Prayer the Churches banquet, Angel's age,  
 God's breath in man returning to his birth,  
 The soul in paraphrase, heart in pilgrimage,  
 The Christian Plummet sounding heaven and earth;  
 Engine against the Almighty, sinner's tower,  
 Reversed thunder, Christ-side-piercing spear,  
 The six-days world transposing in an hour,  
 A kind of tune, which all things hear and fear;  
 Softness, and peace, and joy, and love, and bliss,  
 Exalted Manna, gladness of the best,  
 Heaven in ordinary, man well dressed,  
 The milky way, the bird of Paradise,  
 Church-bells beyond the stars heard, the soul's blood,  
 The land of spices; something understood.

*George Herbert*

## 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:

336 Angel-voices, ever singing

64 Be thou my guardian and my guide

354 Eternal Father, strong to save

276 Bread of heaven

368 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

#### READINGS FOR TODAY

[Genesis 18: 20-32](#)

The response to [Psalm 138](#) is:

**Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me**

[Colossians 2: 12-14](#)

[Luke 11: 1-13](#)

#### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Wisdom 18: 6-9](#)

[Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19](#)

[Luke 12: 32-48](#)

**ORGAN POSTLUDE:** *Sortie* Denis Bedard (b.1950-)

#### PARISH NEWS

**Welcome to Alec** We welcome the Revd Alec Clark, our ministry educator, as the celebrant and preacher this morning. Alec will be with us next Sunday as well.

**Vicar on leave** The Vicar will be on leave until 3 August. Funeral cover will be provided by the Vicar of Roslyn, the Revd Eric Kyte ph 464 0240.

**Caversham lectures** The lectures confirmed so far are *What makes for a good doctor* Dr Stephen Tripp 1 November, *Child Welfare – Can we deliver and how will we know?* Len Cook, New Zealand’s Families Commissioner and Chairman of the Social Policy Research and Evaluation Unit 8 November, *Practical end of life issues* A panel discussion featuring Dr Tony Fitchett, Keith Gillion, Professor Peter Skegg, and a palliative care nurse 15 November, *The New Zealand Youth Justice System: leading the world* Brian Kilkelly 22 November. It may be possible to add another lecture to the line-up on contemporary medical research and treatment dilemmas in the field of Bio-ethics.

**Last weekend** The organ recital given by George Chittenden was attended by 53 people with the entry fee more than covering the costs of the fee offered to the recitalist. Next year the parish intends to invite John Linker of Christchurch Anglican Cathedral to be its celebrity recitalist. Last Sunday evening’s Evensong and Benediction Service at which we hosted the St Paul’s Cathedral Choir was attended by 70 people and attracted many favourable comments by those who had not attended a Benediction Service before. Grateful thanks to all those who provided food for the supper afterwards and the Saturday afternoon tea, especially to Alex Chisholm who organised our hospitality arrangements.

**The prayer of St Theresa of Avila** Theresa May, now Prime Minister of Britain, was named by her Anglian priest father after St Theresa of Avila the 16<sup>th</sup> century Spanish nun who reformed the Carmelite order. Her famous prayer is apposite for any Prime Minister, “O my Lord, how true it is that those who work for you are paid in troubles.”

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

**Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time** Martha Allen, Marie Brown, Alice Hopkins, and Beryl Heazlewood.

### ***Sunday Serenade***

A programme of art songs, including the song cycle *Songs of Travel* (Vaughan Williams), organised by Arnold Bachop. St Peter’s Church, Sunday 14 August 2.30 pm. Entry fee \$10 with proceeds going to St Peter’s running costs.

**Financing the Bishopric estate** The Vicar’s recent editorial in the Rock outlined the current difficulties in financing the Bishopric estate, which impedes permission being given for an episcopal election to take place. At the September Diocesan Synod the Vicar will move on behalf of the Trust Board, seconded by Brian Kilkelly, “That this Synod, recognising 1. That the Bishop is the chief pastor in the Diocese, and essential for leading the Diocese in its work of establishing God’s kingdom here; 2. The inadequacy of the Bishopric Endowment, recommends to the Diocesan Council that a share of the proceeds from the future sale of land and buildings within the diocese, amounting to at least 25% of those proceeds, be allocated to building up the capital base of the Bishopric Endowment.” Meanwhile Dr Tony Fitchett has suggested that parishioners across the diocese give a weekly contribution for five years equivalent to a cup of coffee (approximately \$3). This would mean we could appoint a Bishop knowing that the salary would be assured. The “Fund our Bishop” account number is Diocese of Dunedin, 06-0901-0015680-00

**The stained glass windows of Holy Cross St Kilda** St Peters has been offered the opportunity to consider relocating some of the stained glass windows from the now closed Holy Cross St Kilda in St Peters. The Vestry will visit Holy Cross Church in early August to view the windows.

**Rock** Copies of the latest edition of the Rock are available in the Link and at the back of the Church.

**Parish Priest:** Fr Hugh Bowron – 455- 3961

**Vicar’s Warden:** Tubby Hopkins – 454-2399

**People’s Warden:** Kate Paterson – 455-5384

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**Stewardship Recorder:** Averil Hopkins - 454-2399

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