



St Peter's Caversham

7 August 2016

The Pebble

Transfiguration

Poem in the Matukituki Valley

For us the land is matrix and destroyer,
Resentful, darkly known
By sunset omens, low words heard in branches;
Or where the red deer lift their innocent heads
Snuffing the wind for danger,
And from our footfall's menace bound in terror.

Three emblems of the heart I carry folded
As charms against flood water, sliding shale:
Pale gentian, lily, and bush orchid.
The peaks too have names to suit their whiteness,
Stargazer and Moonraker,
A sailor's language and a mountaineer's...

Sky's purity; the altar cloth of snow
On deathly summits laid; or avalanche
That shakes the rough moraine with giant laughter;
Snowplume and whirlwind - what are these
But his flawed mirror who gave the mountain strength
And dwells in holy calm, undying freshness?

Therefore we turn, hiding our soul's dullness
From that too blinding glass: turn to the gentle
Dark of the human daydream, child and wife,
Patience of stone and soil, the lawful city
Where man may live, and no wild trespass
Of what's eternal shake his grave of time.

James K Baxter 1926-1972

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

5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS:

234 Christ whose glory fills the skies

177 Christ upon the mountain peak

432 O what their joy and their glory must be (omit verses 2 and 5)

307 Sweet Sacrament Divine

247 O gladsome light, O grace

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14](#)

The response to [Psalm 97](#) is:

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

[2 Peter 1: 16-19](#)

[Luke 9: 28-36](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Revelation 11: 19; 12: 1-6, 10](#)

[1 Corinthians 15: 20-26](#)

[Luke 1: 39-56](#)

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Elegy* Charles. H. Lloyd (1849-1919)

PARISH NEWS

Evensong and Benediction tonight at 5pm. A social time with drinks and nibbles follows in the lounge afterwards.

Wardens' meeting The Vicar and the Wardens will meet on Wednesday afternoon. Please mention to Tubby Hopkins or Kate Paterson any matters you want raised at that meeting.

Francis Hodgkins house group meeting Tomorrow Monday at 2 pm in the Garden lounge.

Archbishop turns playwright Former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, already a published poet, has now written a play about William Shakespeare entitled *Shakeshafte* that speculates about the early and lost years of Shakespeare's life. Set in 1581 when Queen Elizabeth 1 was suppressing "the old religion" it supposes Shakespeare to have come from a Catholic and recusant family, and to be a person who didn't set foot in Church much. The play is currently being performed in South Wales.

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

Pray for those who have died recently especially Joyce McQuarrie and Elsie Baird.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time Leah Palmer, Dorothy Lanham, Robert Stephen, Jan McPhee and William Dawson.

David Hoskins at St Paul's Cathedral Our Director of Music has been invited to play a recital in the weekly Tuesday concerts at St Paul's Cathedral. Entitled 'The Art of Improvisation', the recital is on Tuesday August 9 from 12.50pm to 1.10pm. It would be good to see St Peter's folk there.

Sunday Serenade

A programme of art songs, including the song cycle *Songs of Travel* (Vaughan Williams), organised by Arnold Bachop. St Peter's Church, **next Sunday 14 August 2.00 pm.** Entry fee \$10 with proceeds going to St Peter's running costs

2016 Caversham lectures

Tuesday November 1, 7.30pm, Parish Lounge. *What makes for a good doctor:* Dr Stephen Tripp

Tuesday November 8, 7.30pm, Parish Lounge. *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)

Tuesday November 15, 7.30pm, Parish Lounge. *Practical end of life issues* - A panel discussion featuring Dr Tony Fitchett, Keith Gillion, Professor Peter Skegg, and a palliative care nurse.

Tuesday November 22, 7.30pm, Parish Lounge. *The New Zealand Youth Justice System: leading the world:* Brian Kilkelly.

Don't put Jedi on census form religious question slot Atheists in Australia are asking fellow Australians not to answer the religious affiliation question with answers like Jedi, which received 64,390 affirmations in last census, as they think this exaggerates and privileges the role of religious belief in Australian society.

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