



St Peter's Caversham

14 August 2016

The Pebble

Assumption

Ave, Maris Stella

*Office Hymn*

Hail, O star that pointest  
Towards the point of heaven,  
Thou to whom as maiden  
God for Son was given.

When the salutation  
Gabriel had spoken,  
Peace was shed upon us,  
Eva's bonds were broken.

Jesu's tender Mother,  
Make thy supplication  
Unto him who chose thee  
At his Incarnation.

So, as now we journey,  
Aid our weak endeavour.  
Till we gaze on Jesus,  
And rejoice for ever.

Father, Son and Spirit,  
Three in One confessing,  
Give we equal glory,  
Equal praise and blessing. Amen.

*Latin c 9<sup>th</sup> century  
Translated Athelstan Riley 1858-1945*

## 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:

188 Ye who own the faith of Jesus (2<sup>nd</sup> Tune)

181 The Lord whom earth and sea and sky (2<sup>nd</sup> Tune)

185 Sing we of the blessed Mother

184 Shall we not love thee, Mother dear

251 Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear

#### READINGS FOR TODAY

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

The response to [Psalm 45](#) is:

**The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold**

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

[Luke 1: 39-56](#)

#### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Isaiah 66: 18-21](#)

[Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13](#)

[Luke 13: 22-30](#)

**ORGAN POSTLUDE:** *Toccata on a Plainsong Theme* David

Hoskins (1953-)

### PARISH NEWS

**Procession** Today we celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our 10:30 Service will begin with a procession around the Church. Please feel free to join in.

**Potluck lunch** As is our custom on the second Sunday of the month a potluck lunch follows the 10:30 am Service. All welcome.

**2017 celebrity organ recitalist confirmed** John Linker, Christchurch Cathedral organist, has been confirmed as our celebrity organist recitalist for next year. We discovered what a fine organist John is during the visit of the Christchurch cathedral choir last year. The recital will take place on a Saturday during the July holidays.

**Fifth Caversham lecture confirmed** Don Evans, a bio-ethicist and a parishioner of St Matthews Dunedin, will be our fifth Caversham lecturer this year at our final lecture Tuesday 29 November.

**Sunday Serenade postponed** A chest infection has obliged Arnold Bachop to call off the Sunday Serenade concert scheduled for this afternoon at St Peters. However this is in the nature of a postponement rather than a cancellation and a new date for the fund raiser will be announced soon.

**Next Garage Sale** Our next parish garage sale is scheduled for Saturday 24 September. It would be helpful if parishioners could be looking out items suitable for inclusion on our display tables.

**Teschemakers expedition** A 45 seater bus has been booked for our Saturday 1 October outing to Teschemakers and Oamaru thus bringing the travel costs for the expedition down to \$15 a head. At present we have 29 people signed up for the outing. Please could you reach out to friends, family and members of neighbouring parishes to find the extra people we need to make up the numbers for what promises to be a most enjoyable day.

**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 whose memorial occurs at this time** Mavis Wilkinson and Mollie Scrivener.

### **Parish Contacts:**

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

**Vicar's Warden:** Tubby Hopkins - 454-2399

**People's Warden:** Kate Paterson - 455-5384

**Director of Music:** David Hoskins 453-4621

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**Backgrounder to Vicar's Synod motion** Parishioners may recall a Pebble news item several weeks ago in which the Vicar prefigured a motion he intends to move at the diocesan Synod suggesting that a 25% levy on all future land or buildings sale be transferred to the Bishopric estate to build up its capital base. The Vicar is moving this motion on behalf of the diocesan Trust Board of which he is a member since he is the only Synod member on the board. The motion addresses the reality that there is a year by year deficit of \$50,000 to fund the Bishopric estate. The standing committee of General Synod will not allow Dunedin to hold an electoral Synod for a new Bishop until it is satisfied that this finding shortfall can be convincingly addressed. The motion would not solve this problem on its own but is a medium term measure that goes some way to addressing the problem, and is intended to be part of a raft of measures to address the medium and long term funding issues. The diocese is in the process of selling off a variety of redundant churches, vicarages and related properties, particularly in the rural areas, where population and church decline has left them no longer fit for purpose. By the end of the decade the diocesan property portfolio will be considerably smaller. This measure will not affect St Peters since it is highly unlikely that we would ever want to sell any land or buildings on our compact and well used site. It is also more generous than the motion being brought forward by the mission committee that would sequester all the revenues from such future sales for the purpose of re-evangelising unchurched areas of Otago and Southland. An even more draconian such measure suggested at last year's Synod would have made the levy retrospective on past sales but fortunately this was taken off the floor of Synod after the Bishop's intervention. The Vicar's suggested motion is more generous to parishes or neighbouring parishes in which such sales would occur in allowing them to keep 75% of the sales and is thus more politically likely to fly.

**Fellowship group** The group will meet at Nichol's on Tuesday 23 August at 2.15 for afternoon tea and a look around the garden area. Please ring Raylene 455 2389 as we need to know numbers.