

21 August 2016

The Pebble

21st Sunday

The Four Ages of Man

He with body waged a fight, But body won; it walks upright.

Then he struggled with the heart; Innocence and peace depart.

Then he struggled with the mind; His proud heart he left behind.

Now his wars on God begin; At stroke of midnight God shall win.

W.B. Yeats

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:

436 Praise my soul the God of heaven

337 As pants the hart for cooling streams

371 He wants not friends that hath thy love

292 Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts

244 Glory to thee my God this night

READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 66: 18-21

The response to Psalm 117 is:

Go out to all the world and tell the good news

Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13

Luke 13: 22-30

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Sirach 3: 17-20, 28-29

Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24

Luke 14: 1, 7-14

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Chimes* (From the *Hovingham Sketches*)

Bernard Rose (1916-1996)

PARISH NEWS

<u>Parish forum</u> A parish forum will follow today's 10:30 am Service. It will focus on the funding issues to do with the Bishopric estate and the possibility of St Peter's receiving some of the stained glass windows from the now redundant Holy Cross St Kilda.

Quiet day Mother Keleni of the Community of the Sacred Name will lead a Quiet Day on Saturday 27 August here at St Peter's from 10 am to 3 pm. All welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided, please bring finger food for a shared lunch.

Fifth Caversham lecture title confirmed "Exploring and Exploiting the Secrets of Life itself: the wonderful possibilities and potential perils of breakthroughs in medical research. Bioethicist Don Evans will take us through the life enhancing and life extending possibilities flowing from current stem cell research and the ethical dilemmas they present." This will be the fifth and final Caversham lecture for the year on Tuesday 29 November at 7.30 pm.

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. The lunch cost is \$25 bringing the total costs for the outing to \$40, a very reasonable price for a day's entertainment. The outing will include the celebration of a Eucharist in the Chapel on arrival as we keep the feast of St Therese of Lisieux, and time in the Victorian heritage Harbour St precinct in Oamaru. 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.

<u>Fellowship group</u> 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

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

<u>Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time</u> Molly Scrivener, Esther Chetwin, Annie Mitchell, Ted Hawkhead, Winnie Dunlop, and Robert Jacobs.

<u>Crowd funding the Bishopric</u> So far 36 people have taken up Dr Tony Fitchett's challenge to contribute \$3 a week to fund the next

Bishop of Dunedin. This will contribute \$12,000 per annum. A motion will be brought to Synod to encourage widespread participation in this fund raising scheme. Those who wish to contribute now can do so through the Fund our Bishop account at Diocese of Dunedin 06-0901-0015680-00. Please quote 1200 200 200 as a reference.

Episcopal electoral Synod to proceed The standing committee of General Synod has given permission for our diocese to hold an electoral Synod. It is anticipated that this will take place early next year.

Vestry news Tubby Hopkins was elected as the new Synod representative following on from the resignation of Bruce Moore on health grounds. It was decided that in future the parish food basket contributions would go to the St Vincent de Paul food bank. Two Vestry members had investigated the various Church food bank operations. It was reported that Holy Cross St Kilda was still considering the invitation to worship at St Peter's on Sunday afternoons. Further consideration was given to the possibility of receiving some of the stained glass windows from the deconsecrated Holy Cross St Kilda. A competitively priced quote for their removal had been received. This possibility too was waiting on a decision from the Holy Cross St Kilda people. A quote was accepted for leaf clearance from the Church and Hall gutters. Two vestry members are to further research and bring proposals to Vestry regarding the possibility of installing a defibrillator in the hall or the Church.

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