

St Peter's Caversham

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The Pebble

29 January 2017

Ordinary 4

Eugene Peterson's paraphrase of the Beatitudes

You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule.

You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One who is most dear to you.

You're blessed when you're content with just who you are – no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.

You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being "carefull," you find yourself cared for.

You're blessed when you get your inside world – you're heart and mind – put right. Then you can see God in the outside world.

You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.

You're blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God's kingdom.

The Message

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 after the Solemn Sung Eucharist

THE LITURGY FOR TODAY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662) **10.30 am** Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS:

362 Glorious things of thee are spoken

341 Blest are the pure in heart

304 Once, only once, and once for all

52 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

249 Round me falls the night

READINGS FOR TODAY

Zephaniah 2: 3; 3: 12-13

The response to Psalm 146 is:

Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

1 Corinthians 1: 26-31

Matthew 5: 1-12

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Malachi 3: 1-4

Hebrews 2: 14-18

Luke 2: 22-40

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Prelude Gabriel Pierne (1863-1937)

PARISH NEWS

Five Unusual Documentaries Our season of documentaries continues tomorrow night 30 January with Lo and behold: Reveries of the Connected World: Veteran documentarian Werner Herzog brings his boundless curiosity and ironic humour to this account of how the digital world and cyberspace came to be and its extraordinary reach throughout our world. Though he doesn't own a cell phone and only uses e mail his IT naiveté becomes a plus as he deploys his boundless curiosity and ironic humour to consider how the Internet might

have developed and where the digital world might be going in terms of possibilities such as robotics and space travel. This will be in Vicarage at 7pm.

Anglican family seeking accommodation Charlotte Hickmott writes, "Mature Anglican family of three need your help. We are moving to Dunedin to support our daughter who is starting at university. We require a two bedroom home to either housesit or rent until our Christchurch home sells. We have been involved with St Michael and All Angels in Christchurch for many years and can provide references from clergy. Please phone Charlotte at 027 4330114.

Navigating the Night Skies of the Third Reich Fr Hugh Bowron in conversation with the Venerable Neville Selwood about Bomber Command's night offensive against the Third Reich in the last years of the war. The personal reflections of a Lancaster navigator who later became a priest in the Dunedin diocese. This will be on Tuesday evening this week at 7.30 pm in the lounge, supper follows. A growing public interest in this event has led to a decision to film it so that it will be available for viewing on the parish website.

Memorial Service for Fr Timothy Raphael Fr Timothy Raphael had a significant ministry as Dean of St Paul's Cathedral in the 60's and 70's. A New Zealander, trained at the College of the Resurrection Mirfield, he was Vicar of St Michael's Christchurch, Dean of Dunedin Cathedral, Vicar of St John's Wood in the diocese of London and then Archdeacon of Middlesex. He died recently in Cheltenham. A Memorial Service for Tim will be held at the Cathedral on Friday 3 February at 10 am followed by the private interment of his ashes in the Cathedral Columbarium.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Jun Miyagi, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia and Sheree Napier, Joan Ferguson, Jonathan Gillies, Katie Bowron, Bruce Moore and Denise Walker.

<u>Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time</u> Margaret Peterson, Vera Paris, Norman Rodgers, Martin Stephenson, and Norman Malcolmson

Bishop Kelvin's next visit:

Bishop Kelvin will take the morning Services at St Peters on Sunday 19 February when the Vicar will be attending the 150th anniversary celebrations of St Mary's Addington, Christchurch where he was Vicar for nine years.

<u>Diocesan farewell to Bishop Kelvin</u> A warm invitation is extended to all to the diocesan farewell for Bishop Kelvin Wright on Friday 28th April 6.30 pm at the Cathedral. The liturgy will be followed by light refreshments and speeches in the crypt of St Paul's. Please RSVP by Friday 13th April to Debbie on 488 0820 or debbie@called south.org.nz

<u>Electoral Synod</u> Our Archdeacon reports that the electoral Synod is likely to occur over the weekend of 26-28 May. The Archdeaconry is invited to pray for discernment in this important choice by coming to intercessory prayer Services at St John's Roslyn on the first two Sundays of February (5th & 12th) at 7 pm.

<u>Harvest Festival</u> St Peter's will celebrate Harvest Festival on Sunday 26 February, the last Sunday before Lent begins. Agnes and some of her students will be singing the John Rutter anthem "For the Beauty of the Earth" during communion. If you would you like to join this group for this special occasion please make yourself known to Agnes or David.

SGM notification A Special General Meeting of the parishioners of St Peter's Caversham will be held next Sunday 5 February in the parish lounge after the 10.30 Sung Mass for the purpose of considering the proposal to inset the Woodhouse Memorial window, recently removed from Holy Cross St Kilda, in the window in the Link immediately adjacent to the Church.

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