



St Peter's Caversham

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The Pebble

26 February 2017

Harvest Festival

Hurrahing in Harvest

Summer ends now; now, barbarous in beauty, the stooks rise
Around; up above, what wind-walks! what lovely behaviour
Of silk-sack clouds! Has wilder, wilful-wavier
Meal-drift moulded ever and melted across skies?

I walk, I lift up, I lift up heart, eyes,
Down all that glory in the heavens to glean our Saviour;
And, eyes, heart, what looks, what lips yet gave you a
Rapturous love's greeting of realer, of rounder replies?

And the azurous hung hills are his world-wielding shoulder
Majestic-as a stallion stalwart, very-violet sweet!-
These things, these things were here and but the beholder
Wanting; which two when they were once meet,
The heart rears wings bold and bolder
And hurls for him, O half hurls earth for him off under his feet.

Gerard Manley Hopkins

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:

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READINGS FOR TODAY

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7](#)

[Romans 5: 12-19](#)

[Matthew 4: 1-11](#)

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Improvisation on *Wir pflugen*

PARISH NEWS

Harvest Festival Today we celebrate our annual Harvest Festival. Agnes and some of her students will be singing the John Rutter anthem "For the Beauty of the Earth" during communion. At this Service we will be blessing the altar candles to be used in Holy Week and for the rest of the liturgical year. If you have a special candle that you would like blessed please hand it to the Vicar before the Service begins.

Ash Wednesday Lent begins this week with Ash Wednesday falling on 1 March. The Eucharist with imposition of ashes will be celebrated at St Peter's at 10 am and 7 pm. Please let the Vicar have any Palm Crosses you have to be used for the imposition of ashes on that day.

Fish and Chip Friday Eucharists As is our custom our Lenten extra will be a Eucharist celebrated at 5.30 pm each Friday in Lent in the parish lounge with a dialogue sermon followed by a shared fish and chip tea. The first Friday celebration will be this Friday 3 March.

Thursday Eucharist as usual 10 am Thursday.

Six Unusual Documentaries Our season of documentaries concludes tomorrow night 27 February with the screening of **Never Stand Still**, an insider's look at the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival. Jacob's Pillow is a dance studio in the Berkshires that brings together the best of the contemporary dance world both in America and from across the world. This will be in the Vicarage at 7 pm.

Fellowship group The fellowship Group will meet at Pier 24 on Tuesday at 2 pm to discuss a programme for 2017 over tea and coffee. We look forward to seeing you there - Raylene 455 2389 and Gay 476 1613.

Frances Hodgkins The Frances Hodgkins Eucharist will be celebrated on Thursday at 11 am. The FH house group will meet on Monday 6 March at 2 pm in the Garden Lounge.

Evensong and Benediction Next Sunday at 5 pm with a social gathering in the lounge afterwards.

Rock The first edition of the Rock for the year is available at the back of the Church and in the Link.

Celebrity Organ recital This year's St Peter's celebrity organ recital will be on Saturday 15 July with our guest organist being John Linker, the music director at the Christchurch transitional Cathedral.

Archbishop David Moxon dates confirmed Archbishop David Moxon retires from his job as ambassador for the Anglican Communion at the Anglican centre in Rome in June. He will preside and preach here at St Peter's on Sunday 26 November, the feast of Christ the King. Two days later he will give the last of the Caversham lectures for 2017 on the current state of Anglican Roman Catholic relations.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia and Sheree Napier, Jonathan Gillies, Katie Bowron, Bruce Moore and Denise Walker

Please pray for Jordan West and James Smith who are to be married at St Peter's on Saturday 18 March.

Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time Christian Hansen and William Fowler.

10.30 rosters If you assist the 10.30 liturgy in any capacity please collect a copy of the new roster for the year ahead from the table at the back of the Church. Your name will be on one of the copies. In this way the Vicar knows who has yet to receive a copy.

Christchurch reflections Last weekend I attended the 150th anniversary celebrations of St Mary's Addington, Christchurch where I was Vicar for nine years from the mid 80's to the mid 90's. In many ways this was the most satisfying and achieving of my ministries yet what a difference the wheels of time had made for I recognised only about a dozen people and was a stranger to many who were there. I was asked to be the MC at the Saturday night dinner but wondered if the job could have been better done by one of the guests Jim Hopkins, well known wit, raconteur and after dinner speaker, who had grown up in the Addington Vicarage in the 1950's. My immediate predecessor Fr Peter Williams preached a wonderful sermon at the Sunday Eucharist as he spoke of the way Henry Sewell who gifted the land for the building of the Church had a desire for there to be an Anglican Church at the heart of every community in the new colony. I stayed in the Deanery and was delighted to find a Sunday Evensong congregation of 130, quite a contrast to the normal half a dozen at best at Dunedin Cathedral Evensongs.

Key dates leading up to the Electoral Synod

February 7-18 Archdeaconry consultations in order to develop material for the profile of the Diocese and "person description" of the next bishop. March 20 Nominations open. April 17 Nominations close. May 26-28 Electoral College to be held at Holy Cross, Mosgiel.

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