



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

9 April 2017

Palm Sunday

Forgiveness is not enough. Belief in redemption is not enough. Wishful thinking about the intrinsic goodness of every human being is not enough. Inclusion is not a sufficiently inclusive message, nor does it deliver real justice. There are some things – many things – that must be condemned and put right if we are to proclaim a God of both justice and mercy. Only a power independent of this world order can overcome the grip of the Enemy of God's purpose for this creation.

Jesus Christ, the heir of all things" (Heb. 1:2), offered himself to be the condemned and rejected Righteous One. Giving himself up in full knowledge – after Gethsemane – of what would happen to him, and in perfect union with the Father, he went to Golgotha carrying his own cross, upon which he was nailed, "despised and rejected by men" (Isa 53: 3). At the historical time and place of his inhuman and godless crucifixion, all the demonic Powers loose in the world convened in Jerusalem and unleashed their forces upon the incarnate Son of God. Derelict, outcast, and godforsaken, he hung there as the representative of all humanity, and suffered condemnation in place of all humanity, to break the Power of Sin and Death over all humanity.

*Fleming Routledge
The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus*

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 and Procession

HYMNS:

All glory laud and honour (see Service sheet)

510 Ride on, ride on in majesty

439 Praise to the holiest in the height

Communion: Were you there (Soloist: Arnold Bachop)

94 We sing the praise of him who died

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Isaiah 50: 4-7](#)

The response to [Psalm 22](#) is:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

[Philippians 2: 6-11](#)

The Matthew Passion narrative

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Acts 10: 34, 36-43](#)

[Colossians 3: 1-4](#)

[John 20: 1-18](#)

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Jesus Enters Jerusalem* Calvin Hampton
(1938-1984)

PARISH NEWS

Palm Sunday procession We will gather on the terrace outside the lounge before the 10.30 am Service to bless your Palm cross and begin the Palm Sunday procession. Today's gospel reading is the Matthew Passion Narrative, which will be read by three persons. The congregation's part is in bold black type and should be said in unison. Please sit for this reading.

Window installation The Woodhouse window was installed on Wednesday and it looks great. There are some photos of the installation on the parish website. We will have a joint Service with the Holy Cross parishioners in which we host them for a dedication of the window and a recalling of the shared history of our two parishes on Sunday 7 May. The Holy Cross parishioners will be with us for our Good Friday Service.

Wardens meeting The Vicar will meet with the Wardens of Wednesday. Please mention to Kate or Tubby any matters you want raised at that meeting.

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

Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time Robert Walker, and Basil Dickie.

Services for Holy Week and Easter

Monday 10, Tuesday 11 & Wednesday 12 April

5.30 pm Holy Eucharist

Maundy Thursday

7 pm Commemoration of the Institution of the Lord's Supper, Stripping of the Altar and Vigil.

Good Friday

12 noon Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Cross.

Holy Saturday

8 pm Easter Vigil, Service of Light and the First Mass of the Resurrection.

A social gathering to celebrate Easter follows in the lounge.

It will be very helpful if you can bring a torch and a bell to this Service. Traditionally bells are rung during the singing of the Gloria during this Service.

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Parish AGM

Notice is hereby given that the annual general meeting of parishioners of St Peter's Caversham will be held on Sunday 23 April 2017 in the parish lounge after the 10.30 am Service for the purpose of hearing and receiving the reports of the Vicar and the Wardens, receiving the parish accounts for the past year and the parish budget for the year ahead, electing the People's Warden, the Vestry and the auditor and discussing any general business. Nominations for People's Warden and members of Vestry can be lodged in the box at the back of the Church on the nominations forms provided.

Brass cleaning There will be brass cleaning on Holy Saturday at 10.30 am- your presence would be much appreciated.

No Maundy Thursday Eucharist Please note that there will not be a celebration of the Eucharist at 10 am next Thursday as by tradition the Eucharist is always celebrated in the evening on Maundy Thursday.

Holy Week Services at St Barnabas There will be two Holy Week Services at St Barnabas, 10 am on Good Friday, and a first Mass of Easter on Holy Saturday evening at 6 pm.

Parish working bee There will be an autumn tidy up of the Church grounds on Saturday 29 April beginning at 9.30 am. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Paving stones for the wilderness garden Fredericka Schmaltz, who leads an art class in our hall, has created a wilderness garden for us out of the piece of untended ground by the kitchen. She now recommends that we create a pathway through it to make it more accessible and useable. Do you have some paving stones or bricks you could contribute for this purpose, or would you feel able to contribute to the purchase of some paving stones.

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