



St Peter's Caversham

The Pebble

2 July 2017

Patronal Festival

The Saints.

Whoever has washed the feet of the saints
will themselves be cleansed in that dew;
to the hand that has stretched out
to give to the poor
will the fruits of trees
themselves stretch out;
the very footsteps of him
who visited the sick in their affliction
do the flowers make haste
to crown their blooms,
jostling to see
which can be the first to kiss his steps.

St Ephrem the Syrian (c306-373)
Hymns on Paradise-Hymn 7

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. Morning Tea in the Parish Lounge follows the 10.30am Solemn Eucharist this morning.

THE LITURGY FOR TODAY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)
10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist and Procession
5.00 pm Sung Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS:

197 For all the saints
204 Blessed City, heavenly Salem
208 In our day of thanksgiving
172 Thou art the Christ, O Lord (t.443)

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Acts 12:1-11](#)

[Psalm 34](#). Response to the Psalm: **The Lord set me free from all my fears**

[2 Timothy 4:5-8, 17-18](#)

[Matthew 16: 13-19](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Zechariah 9:9-10](#)

[Psalm 145](#)

[Romans 8:9,11-13](#)

[Matthew 11:25-30](#)

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Chorale-Prelude 'On this rock'
Helmut Walcha (1907-1991)

PARISH NEWS

Words of the Communion Motet: 'But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in

order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light’.

(1 Peter 2:9)

Today: The Parish Patronal Luncheon will follow the 10.30am service today. Those who have booked and require transport to the Kensington Tavern please let others know. There will be provision for morning tea in the Parish Lounge for those not attending the luncheon.

Evensong and Benediction Today at 5pm, social hour to follow.

Mid-week Service The Thursday 10 am Eucharist will be celebrated in the parish lounge.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm especially Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia and Sheree Napier and Jonathan Gillies.

Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time Doris Littler and Beatrice Allen.

2017 St Peter's Organ Recital

The third of our annual organ recitals will take place on **Saturday 15 July at 1.00 pm** when we host **John Linker**, organist and music director of the **Christchurch Transitional Cathedral**. The programme will begin with J.S. Bach's *Prelude and Fugue A-moll*, BWV 543 and then his *O Mensch, bewein dein Sunde gross* from the *Little Organ Book*. Two 19th century pieces then follow, Felix Mendelssohn's *Sonata 3, Opus 65, Number 3* and Robert Schumann's *Fugue 1 on B-A-C-H*. The second half of the programme is taken up with 20th century works Jan Nieland's *Prelude, Choral and Variations*, Dan Locklair's *The Peace may be exchanged* (from the Rubrics of the American Episcopal Prayer Book), Leo Sowerby's *Carillion* and two movements from Louis Vierne's *Organ Symphony number 3*. The programme thus includes German, Dutch, French and American composers for the organ

Can you take a poster and/or hand bills to advertise this recital? They are available at the back of the Church.

Church of England wins ExxonMobil climate change battle.

Shareholders of the oil giant ExxonMobil pushed through a resolution on climate change at the company's AGM recently despite strong opposition from the Board of Directors. The motion, tabled by the Church Commissioners', the financial arm of the Church of England, with the New York State Comptroller, will require the company to provide annual reports on showing how the business will be affected by global efforts to reduce climate change. The move comes as US President Donald Trump prepares to pull out of the Paris Agreement, in which global leaders agreed efforts to cap global temperature at 2 degrees Celsius. The ExxonMobil motion won the support of 62.3% of shareholders.

In a speech to shareholders, the Church Commissioners' head of responsible investment, Edward Mason, criticised the company's non-executive directors for their stance. He asked, "Members of the board, do you leave your understanding of climate change at the door when you attend ExxonMobil board meetings?" Speaking later in response to the vote, Mason said, "This is an historic vote - despite strong opposition from the Board, the majority of Exxon's shareholders have sent an unequivocal signal to the company that it must do much more to disclose the impact on its business of measures to combat climate change". The Church Commissioners manage the Church of England's historic endowments - now valued at some 7.9 million pounds.

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