

St Peter's Caversham

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The Pebble

9 July 2017

14th Sunday

Prayer (2)

Of what an easy quick access, My blessed Lord, art thou! How suddenly May our requests thine ear invade! To show that state dislikes not easiness. If I but lift mine eyes, my suit is made: Thou canst no more not hear, than thou canst die.

Of what supreme almighty power Is thy great arm which spans the east and west,

And tacks the centre to the sphere! By it do all things live their measured hour: We cannot ask the thing, which is not there, Blaming the shallowness of our request.

Of what unmeasurable love Art thou possessed, who, when thou couldst not die, Wert fain to take our flesh and curse, And for our sakes in person reprove, That by destroying that which tied thy purse, Thou makest the way for liberality!

Since then these three wait on thy throne, *Ease, Power* and *Love;* I value prayer so,

That were I to leave all but one, Wealth, fame, endowments, virtues, all should go; I and dear prayer would together dwell, And quickly gain, for each inch lost, an ell 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:

238 New every morning is the love239 Lord of all hopefulness306 Strengthen for service252 The day thou gavest Lord is ended

READINGS FOR TODAY

Zechariah 9: 9-10 The response to Psalm 145 is I will praise your name forever, my king and my God Romans 8: 9, 11-13 Matthew 11: 25-30

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

<u>Isaiah 55: 10-11</u> <u>Psalm 65</u> <u>Romans 8: 18-23</u> <u>Matthew 13: 1-23</u>

ORGAN POSTLUDE:Vesper Voluntary No. 7: AllegrettopensosoEdward Elgar (1857-1934)

PARISH NEWS

<u>Pot-Luck lunch today</u> The monthly pot-luncheon follows the 10.30am Solemn Eucharist today.

George Herbert

Episcopal ordination date Our Bishop elect Fr Steven Benford will be ordained at St Paul's Cathedral on Friday 22 September at 7.30 pm. We are strongly encouraged to attend this Service.

<u>Synod</u> The Diocesan Synod meets the following day Saturday 23 September in our hall. This will be a one day Synod only.

<u>Welcoming the new Bishop</u> Bishop Steven Benford will preach and preside at the St Peter's 10.30 Solemn Sung Eucharist on Sunday 24 September. This will be his first worship leading engagement in the diocese.

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

The Hicks family on deputation The family of Jonathan and Tessa Hicks whom we support as a mission partner with the New Zealand Missionary Society, will be back in New Zealand in November and will be visiting us. Planning has begun to make the most of their time with us. Jonathan teaches at an Anglican Theological College in the Solomons. He grew up in the Solomons, the child of American missionary parents.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia and Sheree Napier and Jonathan Gillies

Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time Arch McQuarrie, Lesley Morris, Darcy Steele, Rosanne Carruthers, Joyce Gordon, Ngaere Newell, Margaret Fraser, and Beatrice Beattie.

What is an "ell"? Today's front cover George Herbert poem concludes with the line "And quickly gain, for each inch lost, an ell," a word not in general use today. It means a former measure of length, equivalent to six hand breadths, used mainly for textiles, typically about 45 inches in England.

2017 St Peter's Organ recital

The third of our annual organ recitals will take place this coming 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 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. Do come along to support this important event in the parish calendar.

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