



St Peter's Caversham  
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## The Pebble

30 July 2017

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday

### On the Image and Likeness of God

For those whom God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those whom God predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justifies; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

*Romans 8: 29-30*

The law then, engraved letter by letter upon stone, dispensed death, and yet it was inaugurated with divine splendour. That splendour, though it was soon to fade, made the face of Moses so bright that the Israelites could not gaze steadily at him. But if so, must not even greater splendour rest upon the divine dispensation of the Spirit...Now the Lord of whom this passage speaks is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. And because for us there is no veil over the face, we all reflect as in a mirror the splendour of the Lord; thus we are transfigured into his likeness, from splendour to splendour; such is the influence of the Lord who is Spirit.

*2 Corinthians 3: 7-8, 17-18*

### 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:

341 Blest are the pure in heart

401 Light's abode, celestial Salem

282 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

403 Lord of all being, throned afar (t. *Dunedin*)

### READINGS FOR TODAY

[1 Kings 3: 5, 7-12](#)

The response to [Psalm 119](#) is:

**Lord, I love your commands**

[Romans 8: 28-30](#)

[Matthew 13: 44-52](#)

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Deuteronomy 7: 9-10, 13-14](#)

[2 Peter 1: 16-19](#)

[Matthew 17: 1-9](#)

### PARISH NEWS

**Today's sermon** is entitled "That smudged and indistinct image," a reflection on the Romans passage about human beings being made in the image and likeness of God.

**Rock** The new edition of the Rock is available for collection at the back of the Church and in the Link.

**Walsingham quiet day** Here at St Peter's on Saturday 9 September. The programme is: 10 am Solemn Sung Eucharist, screening of the film "England's Nazareth" and a sharing of latest news from the shrine, after lunch there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a guided Ignatian meditation and then Evensong and Benediction followed by a social hour. Please let the Vicar know if you would like to attend the quiet day.

**Wardens' meeting** The Vicar will meet with the Wardens on Wednesday 9 August. Please let Tubby Hopkins or Kate Paterson know of any matters you want raised at that meeting.

**Evensong and Benediction** here next Sunday at 5 pm followed by a social hour in the lounge.

**Big Eucharistic weekend** Our Bishop elect Fr Steven Benford has decided to open Synod by celebrating a Eucharist at St Peter's with a rite of his choice at which he will give his charge on Saturday 23 September. The next morning he will of course preside and preach at our 10.30 Parish Eucharist.

**Armistice Day Service** St Peter's 12 November Sunday Services will focus on the theme of Armistice Day. Are any of your relatives/ancestors amongst the 50 or so names of the local war dead memorialised in our Church porch? If so please let the Vicar know as their biographical details could form part of the Service.

**Please pray for** Peter Forrester and Sacha Alexander to be married at St Peter's on Saturday 14 October.

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

**Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time** Leah Palmer, Dorothy Lanham, Robert Stephen, Jan McPhee and William Dawson.

**The mysterious death of Fr Woodhouse** Parishioners will recall the dedication ceremony we had earlier this year for the newly installed Woodhouse stained glass window in the Link. It had formerly been the main window above the altar of Holy Cross St Kilda in recognition of a former curate of St Peter's who had done much to get the Anglican community established in St Kilda, thus preparing the ground for the establishment of Holy Cross St Kilda. After leaving Caversham Woodhouse was for some years the Vicar of Balclutha and then became the Vicar of St Mary's Mornington. In 1914 he went to stay with his country friends the Andersons to share with them the news of his recent engagement and to get over a recent illness. After a week's stay he resolved to visit a friend in Balclutha and set off walking over muddy roads intent on crossing the Molyneux River. His body was found some weeks later on a snag in the river. He had been insured against accidental death for 500 pounds but the company refused to pay out on the grounds that this was not an accident within the terms of the policy and that Woodhouse had probably fallen to his death while trying to cross the railway bridge, an unlawful act of trespass. The Public Trust as executor of his will took the insurance company to court in June 1915 in a case widely reported in Dunedin's newspapers. The Public Trust won based on the evidence of Mr Anderson who had tracked his guest's footprints to a bank on the side of the road from which he would have slipped off into the river. Thus Woodhouse would not have reached the railway bridge or fallen from it. Described as "a delicate man of nervous temperament" he was also short of stature with small feet who none the less had remarkable endurance and was known to set off to visit Balclutha parishioners in distress no matter how bad the roads or stormy the nights.

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