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## The Pebble

### 13 August 2017

The Assumption

## Anglican Roman Catholic agreement regarding the Assumption

Thus far we have outlined our common faith concerning the place of Mary in the divine purpose. Roman Catholic Christians, however, are bound to believe in the teaching defined by Pius 12 in 1950: "that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." We note that the dogma does not adopt a particular position as to how Mary's life ended, nor does it use about her the language of death and resurrection, but celebrates the action of God in her. Thus, given the understanding we have reached concerning the place of Mary in the economy of hope and grace, we can affirm together the teaching that God has taken the Blessed Virgin Mary in the fullness of her person into his glory as consonant with Scripture and that it can, indeed, only be understood in the light of Scripture...While the calling and the destiny of the redeemed is their glorification in Christ, Mary as *Theotokos,* holds the pre-eminent place within the communion of saints and embodies the destiny of the Church.

> Mary: Grace and Hope The Seattle Statement 2004 Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission

#### 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:**

186 Tell out my soul

104 At the Lamb's high feast we sing

**181** The Lord whom earth and sea and sky (2<sup>nd</sup> tune)

331 Abide with me

#### **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Revelation 11: 19, 12: 1-6, 10

The response to Psalm 45 is:

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold

1 Corinthians 15: 54-57

Luke 11: 27-28

#### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

Isaiah 56

Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

Matthew 15: 21-28

#### **PARISH NEWS**

<u>Agnes on duty</u> This morning we welcome Agnes Beamish at the organ console while David takes some of his annual holidays.

<u>Potluck lunch</u> As is our custom on the second Sunday of the month a potluck lunch follows the 10.30 am Service. All welcome.

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.

<u>Fellowship group</u> The Fellowship group will meet on Tuesday 22 August at 12.15 pm upstairs at the Planetarium in the Museum. The cost is \$9 for Gold card holders. The show commences at 12.30 pm and we will have lunch in the Café afterwards at 1.30 pm. Any enquiries please ring Raylene 455 2389 or Gay 476 1613.

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.

<u>Missionary preaching date confirmed</u> The Revd Jonathan Hicks will be our guest preacher on Sunday 19 November. He will meet with the Vestry later that week with Tess his wife meeting with the Fellowship group.

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

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

<u>Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time</u> Ronald Preston and Mavis Wilkinson. Waiapu diocese sells off its Aged Care facilities The Anglican diocese of Waiapu has sold off its three aged care facilities of Te Wiremu House, Bruere Village and Arohaina Village, all in Gisborne, to Heritage Lifecare. The Bishop, the Right Reverend Andrew Hedge, recently led a special Service to mark the changeover. This development is a straw in the wind as to what might happen in other dioceses as the aged care industry continues to grow at a rapid rate in a market increasingly dominated by the big players who have the capital resources and land banks to offer more in the way of services at their rest homes. It is also a reflection of the lack of capacity in small dioceses who struggle to find board members who combine the right mix of technocratic skills and faith orientation to keep diocesan institutions safe, financially solvent and loyal to their original foundation as intermediate institutions that transmit gospel values through their daily operations. The same dilemma exists in their attempts to find people of faith to be their managers and activities officers. By contrast the Selwyn Villages operation in Auckland is big enough and business savvy enough to live, thrive and service in this increasingly competitive environment while at the same time remaining a recognisably Anglican operation, indeed it is looking to take over other smaller Anglican rest homes in other dioceses.

Flying visit by Anglican Communion Secretary General The Anglican Communion office operates out of London and exists to promote harmonious and effective relationships within the Anglican Communion and to assist with preparations for major Communion gatherings such as the Primates' meeting later this year and the Lambeth Conference in 2020. Its Secretary General Bishop Idowu-Fearon, a Nigerian, has been making a flying visit to New Zealand this past week concentrating mainly on the North Island dioceses.

Parish Priest: Fr Hugh Bowron – 455- 3961 Vicar's Warden: Tubby Hopkins – 454-2399 People's Warden: Kate Paterson – 455-5384 Director of Music: David Hoskins 453-4621

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