

St Peter's Caversham www.stpeterscaversham.org.nz The Pebble

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All Saints

Constancy

Who is the honest man? He that doth still and strongly good pursue, To God, his neighbour, and himself most true: Whom neither force for fawning can Unpin, or wrench from giving all their due.

Whose honesty is not So loose or easy, that a ruffling wind Can blow away, or glittering look it blind: Who rides his sure and even trot, While the world now rides by, now lags behind.

Who when great trials come, Nor seeks, nor shuns them; but doth calmly stay, Till he the thing and the example weigh: All being brought into a sum, What place or person calls for, he doth pay.

Whom nothing can procure, When the wide world runs bias from his will, To writhe his limbs, and share, not mend the ill. This is the Mark-man, safe and sure,

This is the Mark-man, safe and sure, Who still is right, and prays to be so still.

George Herbert

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:

197 For all the saints381 Jerusalem the golden224 For all thy saints, O Lord (t. 178)472 When all thy mercies, O my God

READINGS FOR TODAY

Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14 **The response to Psalm 24 is: Lord, blessed are those who seek your face** <u>1 John 3: 1-3</u> Matthew 5: 1-12

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Lamentations 3: 17-26 1 Corinthians 15: 51-57 Matthew 11: 25-30

PARISH NEWS

<u>Procession</u> We begin our celebration of the feast of All Saints with a procession around the interior of the Church at the start of our 10.30 am Service. Please feel free to join in.

<u>Next Sunday</u> We will commemorate All Souls next Sunday. There is a notice on the Link noticeboard for you to write the names of those who have died in the past year who might otherwise be missed out in the recalling of the faithful departed at that Service.

Anticipating the Armistice Day Service Planning is well under way for our Armistice Day Service on Sunday 12 November. Two of the speakers will be local historian Sue Edwards who will be talking about her research on Loyalty Street that had its name changed to that from its original title of Brunswick Street after the battle of Passchendaele. Fr James Harding will be talking about his recent visit to the Menin Gate, the Anglican Memorial Chapel in the near vicinity and to several Great War battlefields.

<u>Rock</u> Copies of the latest edition of the Rock are available in the Link and at the back of the Church.

<u>Vestry news</u> It was decided to purchase new light weight tables for the hall to replace the heavy and difficult to deploy tables in use at present. Parishioner contributions towards this purchase would be welcomed. An order is about to be placed for a defibrillator that will be placed in the Link.

Parish Garage Sale

Our next garage sale will be <u>next Saturday</u> 4 November from 10am – 1pm. Please start setting aside items for this. If you need to have goods collected please let David Hoskins know (021-208-3922). Offers of help with the sale would be gratefully accepted.

<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 anniversaries occur at this time** Doris Dickson, Nancy Harper, James McQueen, Joan Tubman and Cameron Henderson.

Sunday Best is the title of a new book just out on New Zealand's religious history by respected historian of New Zealand religion Peter Lineham who teaches at Massey University. The publisher's blurb writes, "The early arrival of the missionaries in Aotearoa set the scene for a new "moral colony" that would be founded on religious precepts and modern Christian beliefs. It did not take long for a combination of circumstances to confound the aspirations of the Church Missionary Society, the Church in Rome and all those who followed. Historian Peter Lineham examines Christianity in New Zealand through the lens of cultural development, and asks: If the various denominations and faiths set out to shape New Zealand, how did the very fluid fact of New Zealand change those faiths? From the Presbyterian south to the enclaves of Catholicism, who shaped whom? And what is the legacy of that influence? Why do we have afternoon tea? And what were debutante balls? Religion had a hand in the societal habits and milestones we all take for granted." The book retails at \$54.86. The Vicar has purchased a copy and is eagerly devouring it as part of his research in to the parish history. He heard a snippet of the future content of this book at a lecture given at a conference in Auckland last year with a fascinating analysis of class in New Zealand Christianity, a key issue in any analysis of church life in South Dunedin.

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