



St Peter's Caversham

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The Pebble

19 November 2017

Feast of the Dedication

On the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church

O Almighty God,
To whose glory we celebrate the dedication of
this house of prayer:
We give thee thanks for the fellowship of those
Who have worshipped in this place;
And we pray that all who seek thee may find
thee,
And be filled with thy joy and peace;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord

American Episcopal Prayer book

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:

206 Christ is our cornerstone

471 We love the place O God

441 Pray that Jerusalem may have (t.415/2)

413 Now thank we all our God

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12](#)

The response to [Psalm 46](#) is:

The waters of the river make glad the city of God

[1 Peter 3: 9-11, 16-17](#)

[John 2: 13-22](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17](#)

[1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28](#)

[Matthew 25: 31-46](#)

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Carillon* Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

PARISH NEWS

This morning we welcome the Revd Jonathan Hicks as our guest preacher. Jonathan teaches at an Anglican Theological College on the island of Malaita in the Solomons having received his PhD in systematic theology

here at Otago. The parish provides financial support to the Hicks family as part of our mission giving. There will be a parish forum after the 10.30 Service so that we can hear something of Jonathan's ministry. He will also be speaking to our Vestry when it meets on Wednesday.

Fellowship group The Fellowship group meets on Tuesday 21 November at 2 pm in Marjorie Finnie's home 130 Surrey St. The speaker will be Tess Hicks - please note the meeting is one week earlier than usual. We look forward to seeing you there. Phone Raylene 455 2389 or Gay 476 1613 for information.

"Wrongful Conviction" The next Caversham lecture will be on Tuesday evening 21 November at 7.30 pm when Dr Rachel Zajac explains how courts and the police can sometimes get it wrong in criminal prosecutions. Rachel is an expert in forensic psychology and is often required to give expert testimony in court cases.

Next Sunday we will welcome the former Archbishop of New Zealand the Most Reverend Sir David Moxon who will preach and preside at a Pontifical High Mass as we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. Archbishop David will then give the fourth Caversham lecture on Tuesday 28 November on the current state of Anglican- Roman Catholic relations.

Armistice Day Service now online Last Sunday's Armistice Day Service was filmed and you can watch it by going the parish website, thanks to the skill and energy of Shelley and David Scoular.

Garage sale The final tally from the garage sale is \$609.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Joan Dutton, Mahlia and Sheree Napier, Paul Hill, Max Stacey and Jonathan Gillies.

Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time Ruby Trim, Colin Trim, and Keith Littler.

What now for Waikato? Last week it was announced that the Bishop of the diocese of Waikato, the Right Reverend Helen-Ann Hartley, will conclude her ministry there on Christmas day to return to Britain to become Bishop of Ripon. Ripon used to be a diocese in its own right but has recently become incorporated into the newly formed diocese of Leeds, now the biggest diocese in the Church of England. Helen-Ann Hartley thus becomes a suffragan Bishop. So concludes an episcopal ministry of just under four years, with her time as Dean of the Tikanga Pakeha part of St John's theological college being limited to three years. Waikato diocese now finds itself facing some interesting choices and dilemmas. The Taranaki part of it was hived off in recent years to become an episcopal region in its own right currently presided over by Archbishop Philip Richardson. Many of its rural parishes are close to collapse from the point of view of providing full time ministry. Its urban base in Hamilton was a source of strength until the West Hamilton debacle when a badly mishandled battle of brinkmanship between Bishop and Vicar over the human sexuality issue led to the mass secession of one of the strongest parishes in the diocese. The diocese has tried to handle its shrunken resource base by hiving of its financial services to the diocese of Auckland and by reducing the diocesan office to a PA, the Bishop and the Ministry Educator. Waikato diocese was originally formed out of the diocese of Auckland in 1926 and was presided over by its autocratic Anglo-Catholic Bishop Cecil Arthur Cherrington until 1950. With Huntly becoming in many ways a commuter suburb of Auckland and the new expressway cutting down travel times between Hamilton and Auckland the reabsorption of Waikato back into Auckland becomes a significant ponder point.

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