

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

# The Pebble

28 January 2018

Ordinary 4

Merciful God,

creator of all the peoples of the earth

and lover of every soul;

have compassion on all who do not know you, let your gospel be preached with grace and power

to those who have not heard it,

turn the hearts of those who oppose it,

and bring home to your fold

all who have gone astray;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

From the Good Friday prayers of the 1989 New Zealand 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
404 Lord of our life, and God of our salvation
285 For the beauty of the earth (2<sup>nd</sup> tune)
249 Round me falls the night

## **READINGS FOR TODAY**

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 The response to Psalm 95 is: If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts 1 Corinthians 7: 32-35 Mark 1: 21-28 **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY** Job 7: 1-4, 6-7 1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23 Mark 1: 29-39

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Prelude in C major BWV 553 J.S.Bach (1685-1750)

### PARISH NEWS

Make a submission on the Seymour euthanasia bill On the altar by the Hillside Rd entrance to the Church you will find the Vicar's recent submission to the parliamentary sub-committee on the Seymour euthanasia bill, together with Family First pamphlets outlining why the bill would be bad legislation and would lead to the imperilling of many vulnerable and at risk people in the community. Both of these can be taken away for your perusal. Please consider making a submission to the committee. It doesn't have to be lengthy, profound or detailed. A significant number of submissions opposing the bill will have an impact and influence on the final decisions that our legislators will make in this vital area of medical ethics. The submission deadline is 20 February.

<u>St Mark's Gospel</u> There will be two screenings of Alec McCowen's remarkable solo performance of Mark's Gospel in Holy Week. The two parts will be shown over the evenings of Tuesday 27 March and Wednesday 28 March immediately after the evening Mass. Please note that Easter falls early this year on Sunday 1 April.

<u>**Third film**</u> The third film of our Summer film season *The Big Short* will be screened in the Vicarage on Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm.

<u>Ash Wednesday</u> falls on 14 February. Please bring your palm crosses to Church for the Vicar to add to his collection of crosses to be burnt in preparation for the imposition of ashes.

**Harvest Festival** We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Sunday 25 February. There will be a special liturgy for this at the 10.30 am Service together with the usual produce we bring to Church on this occasion.

**<u>Roster availability</u>** Next month the Vicar will be drawing up the roster of liturgical duties for the 10.30 am Service. It would be a help if you could let him know if there are certain times in the year when you will be unavailable for this.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Joan Dutton, Mahlia Napier and Paul Hill.

**Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time** Margaret Peterson, Vera Paris and Norman Rodgers. <u>Summer Film Season</u> As is our custom we have begun the year with a season of films shown in the Vicarage on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm. The remaining films are:

**The Big Short** – 31 January. Just before the crash of the American property market that signalled the beginning of the 2008 global financial crisis three different and unrelated groups of individuals anticipated the bursting of the property bubble and bet against the banks that this would happen. A fascinating, entertaining and informative story, and one of the best explanations of why the global financial crisis happened.

**City of Gold (seek and devour)** – 7 February. A documentary about Los Angeles food critic Jonathan Gold whose endless search for new food experiences focuses on little known and undiscovered ethnic restaurants and food trucks while eschewing famous top of the line restaurants. Insights are offered into one of the most ethnically and culinary diverse cities of the world but also shows Gold's power to make or break culinary reputations.

**Parish AGM** St Peter's will hold its AGM on Sunday 29 April. St Peter's always asks diocesan permission to hold this review of parish life a month later than the usual deadline of late March because this often coincides with Easter and our parish likes to make thorough preparations for this important event. This year the Vicar hopes to present a PowerPoint presentation of highlights of 2017 as part of his Vicar's report.

**Frances Hodgkins Service** The Vicar will be celebrating the Eucharist on Thursday at Frances Hodgkins at 11 am. **Midweek Eucharist** Thursdays at 10am in the Lady Chapel

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