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The Pebble

29 April 2018

Easter Five

This Bread I Break

This bread I break was once an oat,
This wine upon a foreign tree
Plunged in its fruit;
Man in the day or wind at night
Laid the crops low, broke the grape's joy.

Once in this wine the summer blood Knocked in the flesh that decked the vine, Once in this bread The oat was merry in the wind; Man broke the sun, pulled the wind down.

This flesh you break, this blood you let Make desolation in the vein, Were oat and grape Born of the sensual root and sap; My wine you drink, my bread you snap.

Dylan Thomas

Welcome

to all who are sharing with us in worship today.
The Ministry of Healing and Wholeness is offered at the communion rail 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

437 Praise the Lord! Ye heavens, adore him We sing a threefold *Alleluia* acclamation before the gospel

478 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

376 I heard the voice of Jesus say

374 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 9: 26-31

The response to <u>Psalm 22</u> is:

I will praise you Lord, in the assembly of your people

1 John 3: 18-24

John 15: 1-80

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48

1 John 4: 7-10

John 15: 9-17

PARISH NEWS

<u>Parish AGM</u> The annual general meeting of parishioners of St Peter's Caversham will take place this morning in the lounge after the 10.30 am Service for the purpose of:

- Hearing and receiving the reports of the Vicar and the Wardens
- Receiving the parish accounts for the year past and the parish budget for the year ahead
- Electing the people's Warden, the Vestry, the synod representatives and the Auditor
- Discussing any general business

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

Film evening Our Autumn film season draws to a close on Wednesday evening with *Monsieur Lazhar*. A primary school in Montreal, rocked by a recent tragic death of one of its teachers, takes on a relief teacher who has much to offer and who has his own inner demons to struggle with. The film is a reminder of how good the Canadian film industry has become.

<u>Frances Hodgkins Service</u> The Anglican Eucharist will be celebrated at Frances Hodgkins on Thursday at 11 am.

<u>Cassock fund</u> Contributions towards Brian Kilkelly's cassock as a gift to him when he is Deaconed in June have now reached \$320 towards the total cost of \$500. Contributions can be given to the Vicar.

<u>Readers requested</u> Would you like to read a lesson at our Pentecost Vigil Service on Saturday evening 19 May? Please sign up to the list of readings notice on the Link noticeboard. The Service begins at 6 pm with a shared meal to follow in the parish lounge.

Progress report on the parish history The Vicar expects to finish and hand in the first draft of Chapter 2 of his PhD thesis, which is the Parish History, in the coming week. The chapters don't have to be written in sequence. This is the biggest and meatiest chapter on the three ministries of Bryan King, Edward Dering Evans and John Mortimer from 1892 to 1920 that cemented in the Anglo-Catholic character of St Peter's, Caversham. He will then move on to write *The Mission of the Church: The Rise and Fall of the Mission Churches.* He must now complete a chapter every 6 months. There will be 7 chapters in all.

<u>Mid-week Eucharist</u> Thursday at 10 am in the **Parish Lounge** until further notice.

<u>Pray for those who have died recently</u> Archdeacon Neville Sellwood.

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

<u>Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time</u> Allan Paris, Muriel Jones and Nellie Bremner.

A warning to the American Episcopal Church The American Episcopal Church is proposing to change the marriage rite in its Book of Common Prayer in such a way as to have the same rites for both same-sex and opposite-sex couples and has asked other Anglican Provinces to comment on the proposed changes. The Secretary General of the Archbishop's Council, William Nye, has warned in his letter of reply that such a move would increase pressure within the Church of England to dissociate itself in all manner of ways from the Episcopal Church. It would also be "potentially damaging" to work going on within the C of E to create a new teaching document. He went on to warn that, if provision is not made for traditionalists in the Episcopal Church it would be a "serious blow for interfaith relations, negatively impacting Christians around the world especially in areas where they are persecuted minorities." The response from the Primate of Tanzania has been more astringent. "From now onward be informed that we are not having any church partnership. Please do not write me back on this matter." Even the Scottish Episcopal Church, usually an ally of TEC in these matters, has responded by stating that its own provision for same-sex marriage has been made without a new definition being made in the Code of Canons: "In this respect, the SEC has rejected the approach of TEC." Sourced from the Church Times

The Church, the tradesman's friend Tradesmen turned up first thing Monday morning to fix the sound system and change the smoke alarm, which detonated during last Sunday's 10.30 am Service. In the coming week Haslers builders will come around the fix the Sacristy door and frame that has warped to the point where the alarm contacts no longer connect.

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