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The Pebble

6 May 2018

Easter Six

On Easter Day

As though some heavy stone were rolled away, You find an open door where all was closed, Wide as an empty tomb on Easter Day.

Lost in your own dark wood, alone, astray, You pause, as though some secret were disclosed, As though some heavy stone were rolled away.

You glimpse the sky above you, wan and grey, Wide through these shadowed branches interposed, Wide as an empty tomb on Easter Day. For now the tangled wood feels less enclosed, As though some heavy stone were rolled away.

You lift your feet out of the miry clay And seek the light in which you once reposed, Wide as an empty tomb on Easter Day.

And then Love calls your name, you hear Him say: The way is open, death has been deposed, As though some heavy stone were rolled away, And you are free at last on Easter Day.

Malcolm Guite

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 5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS

408 Love Divine, all loves excelling We sing a threefold Alleluia acclamation before the gospel 467 Through all the changing scenes of life In Heavenly Love Abiding, Soloist, Arnold Bachop 409 Love of the Father, love of God the Son

READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48 The response to Psalm 98 is: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power 1 John 4: 7-10 John 15: 9-17

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26 1 John 4: 11-16 John 17: 11-19

PARISH NEWS

Evensong and Benediction this evening at 5 pm. A social gathering follows in the parish lounge.

Working bee Bad weather obliged us to cancel last Saturday's working bee. We will try again for next Saturday 12 May from 9.30 to 12 noon. Your help would be much appreciated.

<u>Cassock fund</u> Contributions towards Brian Kilkelly's cassock as a gift to him when he is Deaconed in June have now reached \$360 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.

<u>AGM elections</u> Last Sunday's AGM elected Alex Chisholm and Deirdre Harris as our Synod representatives. The Vestry members are David Scoular, David Hoskins, Kate Paterson, Alex Chisholm and Brian Kilkelly. Tubby Hopkins is the Vicar's Warden and Di Bunker is the People's Warden.

<u>Wardens' meeting</u> The Vicar will meet with the Wardens in the coming week. Please mention to Tubby Hopkins or Di Bunker any matters you want raised at that meeting.

Welcome to the St Kilda brass band The Vicar has been negotiating with the St Kilda brass band for some time about a possible concert at St Peter's this year. A date has now been finalised for Saturday afternoon 8 September. The St Kilda band is at the front rank of New Zealand's brass bands.

<u>Please pray for Lilibeth Depree to be baptised at St Peter's next Sunday at the 10.30 Service. Lilibeth's parents we married at St Peter's in 2015. Please remember in your prayers also the General Synod meeting in New Plymouth at this time.</u>

Emerging fashion Two Thursdays ago the Vicar attended the ordination of the Catholic Bishop in the Town Hall. Last Thursday he attended the ID Emerging Designer show there. In both gorgeous costumes and carefully rehearsed choreography were to the fore. The latter appears to have been a tour de force for our Margo Barton in her choice of this new venue

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

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

<u>Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time</u> Alfred Chetwin, Glena Thomas, Emily Idour, John Beatty, Eileen McLeod, John McGlynn and Louis Lewis.

About resource consents, being listed in the district plan and the role of Heritage New Zealand in decision making about historic New Zealand churches In September St Peter's Church, Vicarage and the Cottage will have their category two listing included in the DCC's district plan. The effect of that will be that any major alteration or work on these buildings will require resource consents, with their associated costs, and Heritage New Zealand will have an influential say as to whether the envisaged work is appropriate and should proceed. The Vicar will propose at the May Vestry meeting that the parish should obtain an engineer's report that would establish 4 things - the earthquake rating on the Church, its vulnerabilities and potential building failure points, what should be done to remedy what is wrong with the building and an estimate of how much that would cost, and whether it would be possible to include the Holy Cross, St Kilda windows at present in storage in the bell tower in such remedial and strengthening work. The DCC has established a heritage fund that has two funding rounds per year. It might be possible to get the engineering report paid for from this source. The Vicar outlined these issues at last Sunday's AGM

Quote of the week God cares about your body so much that he proposes to issue you with a new edition of it. *N.T. Wright*

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