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The Pebble

27 May 2018

Holy Trinity

Life in the Spirit

In Christ the life-giving law of the Spirit: has set us free from the law of sin and death. All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God: it is the Spirit that enables us to cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit confirms that we are God's children: and if children then we are heirs. We are heirs of God, and fellow-heirs with Christ:

if we share his sufferings now,

in order to share his splendour hereafter.

The sufferings we now endure:

bear no comparison with the splendour

to be shown to us.

The created universe itself waits with eager longing: for the children of God to be revealed.

based on Romans 8: 2, 14-19 New Zealand Prayer Book, 102-3

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 and Procession

HYMNS

148 The God of Abraham praise (omit verses 2 and 3) We sing a threefold *Alleluia* acclamation before the gospel
295 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
147 Most ancient of all mysteries
298 May the grace of Christ our Saviour **READINGS FOR TODAY**Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40
The response to Psalm 33 is:
Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own
Romans 8: 14-17
Matthew 28: 16-20 **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**Exodus 24: 3-8
Hebrews 9: 11-15
Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

PARISH NEWS

Procession We honour the all-important feast of the Holy, Blessed and Glorious Trinity with a procession around the Church at the beginning of the 10.30 am Service. Do please join in.

Preparations for Brian Kilkelly's ordination Brian will be ordained a Deacon at the 10.30 am Service on Sunday 10 June. The Wardens and the Vicar have decided that it is appropriate to cancel the 8 am Service that Sunday so the entire parish family can be together for this important event in our life. Contributions towards Brian Kilkelly's cassock have now

reached the target of the total cost of \$500. Thank you. There is a notice on the table by the Link noticeboard for us to log contributions we can make to the shared lunch that will follow Brian's ordination. Brian is our preacher and intercessor this morning.

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

Patronal festival lunch We will celebrate our Patronal festival on Sunday 1 July and will then adjourn to the Kensington by the Oval for lunch. We need to know numbers for this by the Sunday before. Please sign up for this important event in our parish life on the notice on the table by the Link noticeboard at your earliest convenience.

Recent diocesan appointments The Revd Graham Sandstone has been appointed to the parish of Waitaki North Oamaru. The Revd Brett Roberts, until recently Curate of St Johns, Roslyn, will be instituted to the parish of St Marks, Balclutha on Monday 11 June. The Revd Stuart Crosson has resigned as Archdeacon of Dunedin, and the Revd Damon Plimmer has resigned as Archdeacon of Central Otago.

Comparative property values The Vicar is currently working on the next chapter of the parish history, the one entitled *The Mission of the Church*. What we now call the St Barnabas Rest Home at No. 12 Ings Avenue was purchased from Justice Adams in 1955 for the princely sum of 7,750 pounds. The government provided the funds with the diocese merely having to provide a further 2,500 pounds for the fit out. Lloyd Geering's third and present wife grew up in this house. Her bedroom was the present staff morning tea room.

<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, Ray Hargreaves, Jono Gillies and John Steele.

<u>**Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time</u>** William Montieth, Kenneth Praill, Rhona Welch, Wilfried Ebbinghaus and Betty Wyatt.</u>

Record number of submissions on euthanasia bill 35,000 submissions have been received by Parliament on the David Seymour euthanasia bill, a record number. As a result the introduction of the bill into the house for its second reading has been delayed until the select committee has visited the regions to hear the 3,500 people who wish to make an oral submission. This includes the Vicar. It is anticipated that the select committee will report back to the house at the end of March next year.

<u>**Two new saints</u>** The Vatican has announced that Pope Paul VI, who presided over the closing sessions of the Vatican II Council, and Archbishop Oscar Romero, who was gunned down by El Salvador right wing assassins while he was celebrating Mass in his Cathedral, are to be canonised.</u>

<u>Mass resignation of Chilean bishops</u> Recently Pope Francis summoned the Chilean bishops to Rome for a three day emergency session to address their collective failures in dealing with sex abuse cases. In response the Chilean hierarchy have offered their resignations. It remains to be seen how many of the 34 resignations on offer the Pope will accept.

ABC in for the long haul In a recent interview with *The Guardian* Justin Welby said that he would like to continue as Archbishop of Canterbury for the next 8 years when he would come up against compulsory retirement at the age of 70. He said the biggest achievement of his first 5 years in office had been getting women bishops though the General Synod. His biggest test will come in 2 years' time when the Lambeth Conference convenes at Canterbury in 2020. It is uncertain how many bishops will attend in the wake of the human sexuality decisions of some western Provinces, or whether disciplinary action will be taken against them.

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