



St Peter's Caversham

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The Pebble

2 December 2018

Advent 1

Going to Confession

I commend to you what is called "Going to Confession" or "Sacramental Confession," the method whereby you confess your sins audibly to the priest, and receive from him audibly CHRIST'S absolution. The Church of England offers this way of Confession and Absolution to those who voluntarily chose it. It is a method thorough, painful, decisive, full of comfort...because self has suffered a defeat.

Michael Ramsey,

100th Archbishop of Canterbury, 1961-1974

As Advent is a penitential season it is very appropriate to make your confession as part of your preparation for Christmas. All that is required to set this in motion is to make a time with the Vicar or with a priest of your choice.

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

9 Lo! He comes with clouds descending
We sing a threefold *Alleluia* acclamation before the gospel
11 O Come, o come, Emmanuel
3 Come, thou long expected Jesus (2nd tune)
18 Ye servants of the Lord

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Jeremiah 33: 14-16](#)

The response to [Psalm 25](#) is:

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul

[1 Thessalonians 3: 12-4: 2](#)

[Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Baruch 5: 1-9](#)

[Philippians 1: 3-6, 8-11](#)

[Luke 3: 1-6](#)

PARISH NEWS

Evensong and Benediction this evening at 5 pm followed by a social gathering in the lounge. This evening's homily will be a reflection on the conference Fr Hugh recently attended in London *The Church in the World: the gift of Catholic Mission*.

Omit the Gloria in Advent A reminder that we omit saying or singing the Gloria in Advent as it is a penitential season.

New liturgical year new gospel As the season of Advent begins we begin also a new liturgical year, what we call Year C in the three year cycle, in which we concentrate on the gospel of Luke.

Tuesday's Caversham lecture is: Dr Margo Barton, Professor of Fashion at Otago Polytechnic and iD Chair and Creative Director will cover the history of the iD International Emerging Designer wards 2005-2018, shows a selection of entrants exhibiting in the awards over the past 14 years and talks about the design, style and craft from around the globe and how it went from a small show in a marquee in the Octagon to the Dunedin Town Hall.

Rock The new edition of the Rock is available at the back of the church and in the Link

New 10.30 am roster The new roster of liturgical duties at the 10.30am Service running through until the end of May, the Easter season, is available at the back of the church. Each of them is named and colour coded for ease of working out which Sundays you are on. Grateful thanks to Di Bunker for bringing this together.

Frances Hodgkins Service The Anglican Eucharist will be celebrated by the St Peter's team on Thursday at 11 am in the lounge next to the dining room.

New location for Thursday Service The Thursday morning Eucharist is now celebrated in the Lady Chapel. There will be a morning tea for the Thursday worshippers on Thursday 13 December after the 10 am Service.

Readers for Nine Lessons and Carols Please sign the notice on the Link noticeboard if you would like to read a lesson at the Nine Lessons and Carols Service on Sunday 23 December at 10.30 am.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnston, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia Napier, Cherry Gordon, Paul Hill, John Steele and Jennifer Parmenter.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time Lawrence McCoverne, Roger Dale, Ivy Dale, Geoffrey Hughes (Priest), and David MacGrill

Unusual episcopal installation The next Bishop of Christchurch the Revd Peter Carrell comes in to office in February next year. This requires a two part process, his ordination at the hands of brother bishops and then his installation in his *cathedra*, his chair of office and authority in his Cathedral. He has chosen to be ordained in the Christchurch Boys High School auditorium as did the Catholic Bishop because this has a large seating capacity. However, his installation will be an outdoor affair in the Square outside the ruined Cathedral. Apart from the theological and liturgical oddity of not being installed in his Cathedral, which is the transitional Cathedral, this choice presents considerable practical problems as anyone familiar with Canterbury weather patterns knows that February is the season of Nor' West winds.

Season of dance films The promised season of dance films begins in January on successive Saturday afternoons in the Vicarage at 2 pm beginning with *Mao's Last Dancer* on 12 January about Li Cunxin's remarkable journey from Mao's cultural revolution to becoming an acclaimed dancer in the west. Then on 19 January *Balanchine* about George Balanchine, trained at Russia's Maryinsky theatre, who became the "father of American ballet." Then on 26 January *Suzanne Farrell: Elusive Muse*, a candid account of her complex relationship with Balanchine.

Brass cleaning There will be brass cleaning on Friday 21 December at 10.30 am in the lounge - to have the Church looking its best for Christmas - your attendance would be very much appreciated. Contact Gay Webb phone 476 1613.

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