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The Pebble

13 January 2019

Baptism of the Lord

First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of the Lord

Father in heaven,
who at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan
proclaimed him your beloved Son
and anointed him with the Holy Spirit:
Grant that all who are baptised into his Name
may keep the covenant they have made,
and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour;
who with you and the Holy Spirit
lives and reigns, one God,
in glory everlasting

American Episcopal Prayer book 1977

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 FOR TODAY

159 I bind unto myself todayWe sing a threefold *Alleluia* before the gospel484 The Church's one foundation48 Bethlehem, of noblest cities282 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11

The response to Psalm 104 is:

O bless the Lord, my soul!

<u>Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7</u>

Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

<u>Isaiah 62: 1-5</u>

1 Corinthians 12: 4-11

John 2: 1-12

PARISH NEWS

<u>Procession</u> We mark the feast of the Baptism of the Lord with a procession around the Church at the 10.30 am Service. Please feel free to join in.

Evensong and Benediction For the last few years the occurrence pattern for this Service has been once a month on the first Sunday of the month. After consultation with the key personnel who make this Service and its follow on social function it has been decided to have this Service once a fortnight for a trial period. Thus the next Evensong and Benediction will be next Sunday.

Fellowship group The Fellowship group will meet again on Tuesday 26 February - further details later.

Lost car key? A car key was discovered in one of the front pews recently and can be claimed from the sacristy. A walking stick has also been left behind and can be claimed from the back of the church.

Season of dance films The promised season of dance films has begun in the Vicarage at 2 pm and continues with our second film 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.

Parish BBQ The promised parish BBQ will take place on Saturday 26 January at 5 pm in the veranda area outside the parish lounge. Please bring whatever you want barbecued and/or a salad. The Vicar will provide the drinks. A Mass in the parish lounge at 4.30 pm will precede the BBQ.

Hospital Chapel Service bed pushing Some of our regulars are away this morning helping out with getting hospital patients to the Sunday morning hospital chapel Service.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnson, Cherry Gordon, Paul Hill, John Steele and Jennifer Parmenter.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time Francis Mumford, Robin Heaps, Janet Younie and Bill Tansley.

Pagan chaplain for Otago University The Vicar has been fighting down the temptation to write a letter to the ODT editor all week that would begin, "Any lingering doubt that we are now living in la la land was removed when reading last Saturday's ODT report that Otago University now has a part time pagan chaplain who is backed up by an online "Kiwi Witch" who is a postgraduate student at the bioethics department." These kinds of bonkers appointments are unfortunately increasingly common with atheist chaplains being appointed within the British National Health Service. Identity politics is now entering so many areas of western culture with aggrieved minorities successfully campaigning for specialist services to cater for their at times outlandish interests and concerns.

Bishop Nevill event planned Acting on a good idea from parishioner Warwick Harris the Vicar hopes to hold a Bishop Nevill event at St Barnabas Warrington where Bishop Nevill is buried as part of the diocesan 150th anniversary celebrations this year. The event could include a talk about Bishop Nevill, a requiem Mass for the repose of his soul and perhaps, weather permitting, prayers at his gravesite. Nevill was consecrated in June and died in November so some thought is going in to the most suitable date

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