



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

3 March 2019 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Power of the Tongue

What a huge stack of timber can be set ablaze by the tiniest speak! And the tongue is in effect a fire. It represents among our members the world with all its wickedness; it pollutes our whole being; it keeps the wheel of our existence red-hot, and its flames are fed by hell. Beasts and birds of every kind, creatures that crawl on the ground or swim in the sea, can be subdued and have been subdued by mankind; but no man can be subdued by the tongue. It is an intractable evil, charged with deadly venom. We use it to sing the praises of our Lord and Father, and we use it to invoke curses upon our fellow-men who are made in God's likeness.

*Epistle of James 3: 5b-10
Today's sermon addresses this theme*

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 FOR TODAY

349 Come, let us join our cheerful songs
We sing a threefold *Alleluia* before the gospel
353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind
237 Morning has broken
248 O strength and stay upholding all creation

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Sirach 27: 4-7](#)

The response to [Psalm 92](#) is:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you

[1 Corinthians 15: 54-58](#)

[Luke 6: 39-45](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Deuteronomy 26: 4-10](#)

[Romans 10: 8-13](#)

[Luke 4: 1-13](#)

ORGAN POSTLUDE Romance by Joseph Rheinberger
(1839-1901)

PARISH NEWS

Curry evening There will be a parish curry evening on Tuesday evening at 6 pm at Shree Indian restaurant in the Mornington

shopping centre. Please sign the notice in the Link so we can make a booking.

Ash Wednesday Lent begins this week with our Ash Wednesday Services. The Eucharist and imposition of ashes will be celebrated at 10 am and 7 pm. Any contributions of Palm Crosses prior to Ash Wednesday would be welcomed by the Vicar.

Frances Hodgkins Service The Anglican Eucharist will be celebrated in the lounge at Frances Hodgkins rest home on Thursday at 11 am.

Friday Fish and Chip Eucharists Our Lenten extra begins on this and successive Fridays with a celebration of the Eucharist in the lounge at 5.30 pm followed by a shared fish and chip supper. Contributions of salads are warmly welcomed. Do join us.

Autumn working bee There will be a clean-up of the church grounds this coming Saturday. Your help would be much appreciated.

Wardens' meeting The Vicar will meet with the Wardens on Monday 11 March. Please mention to Tubby Hopkins or Di Bunker any matters you want raised at that meeting.

Parish AGM Notice is hereby given that the annual general meeting of parishioners of St Peter's Caversham will be held on Sunday 17 March 2019 in the lounge after the 10.30 am Service. The nomination form for election for People's Warden and Vestry members is on the Link noticeboard.

Parish garage sale There will be a parish garage sale in the hall on Saturday 6 April between 10am and 1 pm. Helpers wanted. Goods can be delivered to church.

Rock The first edition of the Rock for this year is available at the back of the Church and in the Link.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnson, Cherry Gordon, Paul Hill, John Steele, Jennifer Parmenter, Margaret Charles and Rita-May Brown.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time Marjorie Booker, Douglas Gordon, John Hansen and William Fowler.

The preliminary engineers report on St Peters Sean O'Neill of Hanlons gave his preliminary engineering and geo-technical report on St Peter's Church to the Wednesday Vestry meeting. The main take away was that the roof is where earthquake strengthening measures need to start. A diaphragm needs to be inserted in the roof to give it greater strength and to make it water tight. Some water infiltration has occurred. The roof would need to be fixed or tied to the brick walls. A new roof surface will be needed to replace the slates. The crosses need to come down from the roof. This would increase the earthquake strength factor of the church building to 65%, i.e. this is the percentage compared to a modern building built to 100% specifications. The west wall is leaning in but it should be left alone. A steel ring beam should be inserted at the top of the tower to prevent the parapet falling on to Hillside Rd. The floor should be re-piled with the damaged framing being replaced or repaired and a damp proof membrane installed underneath the floor. The difficulty here is that some of the floor is in good shape having been given some attention relatively recently while other parts in in a sorry state. Rising damp and rising and falling water levels are a major underfloor problem. The gable end wall of the sanctuary needs to be re-clad and the damaged framing replaced as required

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