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The Pebble

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21st Sunday, Year C

Luke 13: 23-24 Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them, Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

To Heaven

Open thy gates
To him, who weeping waits
And might come in,
But that held back by sin.
Let mercy be
So kind, to set me free,
And I will strait
Come in, or force the gate.

Robert Herrick

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

HYMNS FOR TODAY

337 As pants the hart for cooling streamsWe sing a threefold *Alleluya* before the gospel reading332 All hail the power of Jesu's name396 Let Saints on earth in concert sing251 Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear

READINGS FOR TODAY

<u>Isaiah 66: 18-21</u> The response to Psalm 117 is:

Go out to all the world and tell the good news

Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13 Luke 13: 22-30

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Sirach 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29 Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24 Luke 14: 1, 7-14

<u>Organ Postlude</u> Fugue No. 1 on the Magnificat (2nd Tone) Johan Pachalbel (1653-1706)

PARISH NEWS

<u>Preacher</u> Fr Hugh is the preacher at this morning's Services. His theme, "Go all out to get in."

<u>Please take a poster</u> Posters are now available on the altar at the back of the church advertising our St Kilda brass band concert here at St Peter's on Saturday 7 September. Please take some and persuade shops, libraries you attend to display one.

Kemp English organ recital The renowned organist Kemp English will have an organ recital here at St Peter's on Saturday 23 November at 2 pm. Kemp has a number of organs at his Golden Bay home and will be bringing one with him for the purposes of this recital. Some preliminary publicity about this can be found on our noticeboard.

Standing for the Gloria at 8 The Vicar has been reminded that it is customary for the congregation to stand for the Gloria during the 1662 Communion Service as this is a canticle of praise. We will do this from now on.

St Peter's Caversham postcards On the altar at the back of the church you will find four postcards with pictures of St Peter's, or in one case a photo of those who attended the 150th anniversary celebrations plus past Vicars of the parish. While these were designed to sell to those who visit the Church on Saturday afternoons they would do very well for parishioners to send to friends or family members on significant occasions. They are very reasonably priced at 50 cents.

Synod will be soon A reminder that there will be a special Synod Service in the Cathedral on Sunday 15 September at 10 am to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the diocese. We are cancelling our usual 10.30 am Service that Sunday in order to join in this significant milestone in the life of our diocese. Parking can be a challenge around the Octagon so we will be organising car sharing arrangements soon.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Christie, Cherry Gordon, Paul Hill, John Steele, Jennifer Parmenter, Rosemary Stott, Gillian Gordon, Lorraine Mitchell and Mavis Lighton.

<u>Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time</u> Mollie Scrivener, Esther Chetwin and Winfred Rogers.

<u>Nelson episcopal ordination</u> Fr Hugh will be in Nelson from Thursday afternoon until Monday attending the ordination of the Revd Steve Maina as Bishop of Nelson.

<u>Departure of the Crosbies</u> David and Carol Crosbie, for a number of years St Peter's parishioners and latterly members of Caversham Baptist church, have relocated from Baker St to Mosgiel. Croz is a colourful character and we shall miss the throaty roar of motorbike engines from his flat opposite the church.

When TINA meets GARY The Vicar attended the investment committee meeting of the Diocesan Trust Board on Monday, always an enjoyable and educational gathering. His interest is particularly keen as we wait and watch to see what world share markets will do to our second and final draw down of units from the Trust Board Growth Fund ahead of our projected earthquake strengthening work. Despite a precipitate plunge on Wall St the week before markets had rallied and the unit value was still at an all-time high. The reason investors keep returning to shares was explained by the acronyms TINA and GARY - "There is no alternative" and "Growth at a reasonable yield." As interest rates continue to fall there is nowhere else to go to get any kind of reasonable investment return. Of course we have a further two months of anxious waiting before the final cash up. Meanwhile the \$150,000 already withdrawn from the Growth Fund has been invested with the Diocesan Trust Board Income Fund at the handsome rate of return of 4.75%

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