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The Pebble

24 November 2019

Christ the King

The Centrality of Christ

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me.

Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all who love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

From St Patrick's Breastplate
Translated by Mrs C.F. Alexander

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

206 Christ is our cornerstoneA sung *Alleluia* precedes the gospel reading339 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart499 Thy kingdom come, O God496 O Christ the Lord, O Christ the King

READINGS FOR TODAY

2 Samuel 5: 1-3

The response to Psalm 122 is:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord

<u>Colossians 1: 11-20</u>

Luke 23: 35-43

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 2: 1-5

Romans 13: 11-14

Matthew 24: 37-44

PARISH NEWS

<u>Preachers</u> This morning's preacher is Fr Hugh. His theme is "A Hymn to Him" pivoting off the Colossians reading. Next Sunday Fr Brian will be taking the Services at St Johns Roslyn, with Revd Kit being our preacher here at St Peter's.

Rock The latest edition of the Rock can be uplifted from the Link or the back of the Church.

<u>Fellowship group</u> The Fellowship Group will meet for a Christmas lunch at the Equinox (Forbury Raceway) on Tuesday 26 November at 12 noon – cost approx. \$16. Please let Raylene 455 2389 or Gay Webb 476 1613 know if you plan attending.

<u>Fr Hugh</u> will be away in Wellington this week from Tuesday evening to Saturday afternoon. He will be attending the Religious History Conference at Ramsey House, the Anglican Chaplaincy Centre at Victoria University, and giving a paper entitled "Dunedin's Flu Tsar and Ju-Jitsu Parson." This will be about the Revd Vincent Bryan King, the son of Fr Bryan King who brought Anglo-Catholicism to St Peter's Caversham. Fr Vincent Brian King became one of New Zealand's most renowned social worker Parsons of the inter-war years. Fr Hugh will also be visiting Sandra McCrostie nee Moore in Masterton, a clergy widow and former parishioner of St Peter's in the 1950s who married one of the parish's Curates.

<u>Parish curry evening</u> The next parish curry evening will be on Thursday 12 December. Please sign the booking notice on the Link Noticeboard.

<u>Brass cleaning</u> There will be brass cleaning on Friday 20 December at 10.30 am in preparation for the special Service the following Sunday

<u>A Christmas festival of Brass and Carols</u> On Sunday 22 December we will welcome the St Kilda brass band ensemble as

the centrepiece of our Christmas Festival of Brass and Carols. A lunch will follow in the lounge as our way of saying thank you to the band. Please plan to bring some finger food to make this possible.

<u>Pray for the repose of the soul</u> of Lloyd Martin who died this past week.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Christie, Cherry Gordon, Paul Hill, John Steele, Jennifer Parmenter, Rosemary Stott, Gillian Gordon, Christine Flegg, Mavis Lighton, Anne Bowker and Jane Hill.

<u>Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time</u> Ruby Trim, Colin Trim, Keith Littler and Dulcie Sutherland.

The Fourth Caversham lecture is this coming Tuesday at 7.30 pm in the parish lounge. Rodney Hamel, local landscape painter and art historian, will give a talk about Romanesque church architecture. When Christianity became the official religion of the Roman Empire the church took over many civic buildings and converted them to places of public worship. From this evolved a new architecture style based on semi-circular arches that some have argued was the most beautiful Christian architecture yet seen.

Lectures well attended This year's Caversham Lectures have drawn good attendances including last Wednesday's one on the historicity of the book Exodus, which might have been thought to appeal to only a specialist audience. This is off the back of modest advertising on the diocesan and parish websites and the "What's On" section of the Star. It would seem that over the years the November season of lectures has built up a loyal audience which expect stimulating and rewarding talks from our parish.

<u>Time to make your confession</u> Advent begins next Sunday, a penitential season in which it is entirely appropriate to make your confession before Christmas. These are usually made in Church at a time arranged with the clergy. For further information see "Reconciliation of a Penitent" on page 750 of the New Zealand Prayer book.

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