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The Pebble

16 May 2021

Ascension Day

Collect for the Ascension

Eternal God,

By raising Jesus from the dead You proclaimed his victory, And by his ascension You declared him king. Lift up our hearts to heaven That we may live and reign with him.

Amen.

A New Zealand Prayer Book

Welcome

to all who are sharing in worship with us today and those who read the Pebble on-line. The Pebble assists those who are participants in our Services and also shares news and views of interest to parishioners.

HYMNS FOR TODAY

134 The head that once was crowned with thorns We sing the 3-fold *Alleluia* before and after the Gospel

130 Hail the day that sees him rise

482 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word (t.113)

486 We have a gospel to proclaim

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

Acts 1: 1-11

<u>Psalm 47</u>. *Response*: God mounts the throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Ephesians 4: 1-13 Mark 16: 15-20

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

Psalm 103

1 John 4: 11-16

John 17: 11-19

PARISH NEWS

Today at 5pm Evensong and Benediction.

<u>Midweek Eucharist</u> The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated in the Parish Lounge on Thursday at 10am.

<u>Valuable Helpers</u> It is wonderful to have Alina and Fiora serving as boat-girls at the 10.30 am Solemn Eucharist. They carry the incense boat with great skill and dignity.

<u>Patronal Festival</u> Bishop Kelvin is the guest Presider and Preacher at both 8 and 10.30 am Services for the Patronal Festival on July 4. A lunch will follow at the Wharf Hotel. A list for names of those attending will appear on the Link noticeboard shortly.

<u>Food Bank.</u> The very real need for contributions to the St Vincent de Paul Foodbank is ongoing and all contributions of canned and packaged food can be placed in the basket by the font at the back of the church.

Online Banking. Our bank no longer accepts cheques in line with the trend towards online banking. It means parishioners can no longer place cheques in the offertory. However, setting up automatic payments is relatively painless and the Parish Recorder, Di, is only too happy to assist.

<u>Port Chalmers Visit</u> Fr David and a group of parishioners made the trip out to Port for a Eucharist at Holy Trinity followed by a fine lunch at a local café. Our thanks to Judy Ringland-Stewart (and the parish cat!) for making us so welcome.

<u>St Peter's Fellowship</u> The Fellowship meets at the Edgar Centre at 12.15pm on Friday May 28th. Please let Raylene know on 455-2389 if you intend to come along.

<u>Parish Finances</u> Di Best made a number of points regarding parish finances at the AGM. Some thoughts on simple fund raising: those who do internet banking could set up automatic payments, those using envelopes could make up for any Sunday's they don't attend a service, everyone increases giving by \$5 per week (a cup of coffee). This would almost cover the shortfall predicted last week, by our Treasurer, Danielle.

A further thought, which was well-supported at the meeting: donate back to St Peter's your tax refunds Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Christie, Paul Hill, John Steele, Rosemary Stott, Lorraine Mitchell, Greta Barton, Rosemary Brown and Joy Henderson.

<u>Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time</u> Jean Allen, Harriet Hamer and Brent Bachop.

A Note from Fr David.

I am very happy to meet up with people at home or anywhere else – just phone me on 027-386-3836 or email me at davidtannock@xtra.co.nz. I'll spend some time most days around the church, saying the office and praying for the parish, so do ask if you have any prayer requests'

Parish Contacts.

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