



St Peter's Caversham  
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## The Pebble

Sunday December 18, 2022

Advent 4



God of all hope and joy,  
open our hearts in welcome,  
that your Son Jesus Christ at his coming  
may find in us a dwelling prepared for  
himself  
who lives and reigns with you and the  
Holy Spirit,  
One God now and forever.  
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 Liturgy for Today.

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)

10.30 am Lessons and Carols and Holy Communion

5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

### HYMNS AND READINGS FOR TODAY

As per the service book.

### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (Christmas Day)

Isaiah 52: 7-10

Psalm 98 *Response:* All the ends of the earth have seen the  
saving power of God.

Hebrews 1: 1-6

John 1: 1-18

### *Christmas Services at St Peter's.*



**Saturday December 24**

**8.00 pm** Mass of Christmas Eve

**Sunday December 25**

**9.00 am** Holy Communion and Carols (1662)

## *Parish News*

**Morning Prayer** Wednesday at 9am in the Lady Chapel.

**Mid-week Eucharist** The Holy Eucharist is celebrated on Thursday at 10am in the Parish Lounge.

**Brass Cleaning** Thank you to everyone who polished and cleaned on Friday. The church gleams!

**Bishop's Companion Programme.** Information regarding this programme is available at the back of church. If you are interested in taking part, chat to the Vicar or David Hoskins.

**Pray for the Sick and Infirm** Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Rosemary Stott, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Jim Menzies, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, David Horne and Harry Brown.

**Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time**

Roger Swain, David Norman, Nora Carson, David, John and Richard Tourelle, Noel McQuarrie, Francis Hore, William Littler and Doreen Fraser.

**Thank You Service 8<sup>th</sup> January** Bishop Steven will be leading the 10.30 Sung Eucharist followed by a lunch to say 'Thank you', to all those who officiated and supported St Peter's during the Interregnum. It has been suggested that the congregation provide finger food. Please write down what you will be able to bring on the list at the back of the church.

## *From the Vicar*

The fourth Advent candle is the candle for love. Love is manifest in many ways and each individual receives it differently. God shows His love for us through the Incarnation and the nativity, through the example of Jesus and his teachings, through the crucifixion and resurrection. Love is hard work and, often seemingly, unappreciated and frustrating. 1 Cor. 13: 4-8 reminds us that love doesn't keep a record of wrongs but rejoices, protects, trusts, hopes and perseveres. It is patient and kind, and never fails. I pray this Advent season, you experience and share the love of God with those whom you live and meet.

## *Parish Directory*

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