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The Pebble

Sunday June 25, 2023

Patronal Festival



The Collect
God of grace,
your church is built on Peter's faith;
grant that we, like him, forgiven and
restored,

may overcome our weakness and serve you without wavering, now and forever. AMEN

WELCOME

to the Reverend Dr Hugh Bowron who is our guest and all who are sharing in worship with us today and all those who read the Pebble on-line.

The Liturgy for Today.

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662) **10.30 am** Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS FOR TODAY

204 Blessed City, heavenly Salem
We sing the three-fold Alleluia at the Gospel
213 The eternal gifts of Christ the King
Communion Motet: The Call (from 'Five Mystical
Songs' by Vaughan Williams. Soloist: Arnold Bachop)
413 Now thank we all our God

READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 12: 1-11

<u>Psalm 34</u> *Response:* The Lord set me free from all my fears

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16: 13-19

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

2 Kings 4: 8-12, 14-17

Psalm 89

Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11 Matthew10: 37-42

Parish News

Healing Ministry Prayer for Healing is offered to all in the Lady Chapel during communion at the 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist.

<u>The Rock</u> Copies of the latest edition of the Parish magazine, the Rock, are available today at the back of church and the Link

The Fellowship Group will meet at the Harbour Side Café (opposite the old Wharf Hotel) *this Tuesday* June 27 at 2pm. Please phone Raylene (455 2389) if you would like to come along.

Receipts for donations. If you haven't received a receipt, please let me know (021 202 1343) 'A gremlin crept into the donation receipts' - new ones at back of church.

Bishop's Companions Programme meets on Wednesday in the Lady Chapel at 10.30 am. A number of members of the programme are attending a Companions Retreat at Mosgiel next weekend.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Jim Menzies, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, Jenny and Ian Stoddart and family, and Harry Brown.

<u>Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time</u> Charles Booker, Betty Praill, Gardiner Murray, Norman Lanham, John Watson and Doris Littler.

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 9 am : Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel.

Thursday 10 am Holy Eucharist in the Lady Chapel.

From the Vicar.

Firstly, thank you to Father Hugh for sharing his time with the St Peter's congregations, as we celebrate our Patronal feast of St Peter.

The Anglican Liturgy recognises the place of celebration throughout the year. The Christian church has much to celebrate as we look to the life of Jesus Christ and the grace of God in this world.

While not all things go smoothly, we have a choice on how we view the situation. I am humbled to know that there are many in this church who have struggled and are struggling with things of this world, and yet these saints' worship and fellowship reflects grace and love.

As we recognise St Peter's influence in the church, don't forget that we are all capable of serving Jesus Christ. Peter didn't start off knowing what he was doing and didn't get it right every time, and neither will we. We just have to be present and available. I've hear that contributes to most forms of success. Blessings to you. Natalie

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