



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

Sunday August 20, 2023

Ordinary



The Collect.

Come, Holy Spirit, with the new fire;
when our prayers seem to fail,
when we hear no voice nor any
answer,
rouse us and light our way.

AMEN

WELCOME

to 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

Note: No Evensong tonight.

HYMNS FOR TODAY:

357 Father, hear the prayer we offer

We sing the three-fold Alleluia at the Gospel

273 And now, O Father, mindful of the love

Communion: 'O Love that wilt not let me go' (Arnold
Bachop)

427 O Praise ye the Lord!

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7](#)

[Psalm 67](#) *Response:* O God, let all the nations praise
you!

[Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32](#)

[Matthew 15: 21-28](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

[Isaiah 22: 15, 19-23](#)

[Psalm 138](#) *Response:* Lord, your love is eternal; do not
forsake the work of your hands.

[Romans 11: 33-36](#)

[Matthew 16: 13-20](#)

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 9 am : Morning Prayer in the Lady
Chapel.

Thursday 10 am Holy Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

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.

The Fellowship Group will meet for lunch at the Harbour Side Restaurant at 12.15pm *THIS* Tuesday August 22nd. Raylene needs to know numbers attending so please phone her on 455-2389.

Bishop's Companions Programme meets on Wednesday in the Lady Chapel at 10.30 am.

Pray for those who have died recently Ian Condie

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, Victoria Douglas and Harry Brown.

Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time

Winifred Rodgers, Annie Mitchell, Ted Hawkhead, Winnie Dunlop, and Robert Jacobs.

Concert by St Kilda Brass

conducted by Nathaniel Otley

Wonderful, varied programme!!

Saturday September 9, 2pm

St Peter's Church, Hillside Road.

\$15.00 door sales.

Great opportunity to meet the band over a cuppa in the Parish Lounge afterwards.

From the Vicar.

The reading today initially seems incredibly harsh and cruel. Imagine the scene. Initially Jesus ignores the woman and then when she finally gets his attention, he refers to her as a dog. The woman addressed Jesus by his right name. She called him Lord, Son of David. This is happening early in Jesus' ministry when even the disciples aren't really sure who Jesus is. She knew in her heart that Jesus was the Saviour and was capable of incredible miracles and she wanted her daughter to be made well. When Jesus spoke about the sheep and the children, he was referring to the Israelites, the ones who were supposed to know about God and His salvation, yet in this crowd of people only this foreigner had grasped the concept. She challenged Jesus. She knew that God loves all of His creation and even the least will be looked after, even the dogs. Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith!...' I pray that we may continue to develop our faith so that when we meet our Lord Jesus, he will say the same. Natalie

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