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The Pebble

Sunday October 15, 2023

Ordinary 28



The Collect.

Father, your Son gave his disciples a sign by which to remember him until he comes again; as bread is broken and wine poured out may our eyes be opened to know him, Jesus our Lord.

AMEN.

(A New Zealand Prayer Book)

WELCOME

to all who are sharing in worship with us today and all those who read the Pebble on-line.

The Liturgy for Today.

8am Holy Eucharist (1662) **10.30 am** Solemn Sung Eucharist *No Evensong and Benediction this evening.*

HYMNS FOR TODAY

467 Through all the changing scenes of life

We sing the three-fold Alleluia at the Gospel

297 Lord Jesus Christ

353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

235 Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go

READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 25: 6-10

<u>Psalm 23</u> *Response:* I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Philippians 4: 10-14, 19-20

Matthew 22: 1-14

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6

Psalm 96 Response: Give the Lord glory and honour

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5

Matthew 22: 15-21

Taize Chant to conclude the Intercessions.

O Lord, hear my prayer, (x2)

When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, (x2)

Come and listen to me.

Parish News

SERVICES THIS WEEK: (in the Lady Chapel)

Wednesday 9 am: Morning Prayer
10.30 am Bishop's Companions Programme
Thursday 10 am Holy Eucharist

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

<u>Quilt and Craft Show</u> Thank you to Jenny Maffey and her team of helpers for making yesterday's Quilt and Craft Show so memorable.

The Fellowship Group will meet for lunch at the Mornington Tavern at 12.15 pm on Tuesday October 24. Please phone Raylene on 455 2389 if you intend coming along.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Michael Forrest, Victoria Douglas, Wendy Lott and Harry Brown.

<u>Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time</u> Ivan Tilbury, Chris Timlin, Alistair Keast, Joyce Knowles, Patrick McRodden, David Best (Priest), Elizabeth Anderson, William Fraser and Shirley Quintrell.

Food Basket

Please remember the St Vincent de Paul Food Bank, which we support, when you are shopping. Why not buy an extra grocery item to place in the basket at the back of church. The need is very real.

From the Vicar.

St Peter's has been host to hundreds of people this month. The church services, celebrations and community meetings are witness to our presence in the community. We know how it feels when we walk into a space where only a few are gathered, there is a diminished sense of relationship. In his parable, Jesus was trying to explain that if we are preoccupied with the things of this world we miss the opportuniuties that God has in store for us. Over the millenia wedding banquets seem to have remained lavish affairs. In ancient times and even in cultured today, the guests are washed and clothed as a gift for attending. An expression of a new beginning; fresh and beautiful. Yet in the parable, there were those who preferred their old lives, ignoring what was good for them. The person who came to the feast, yet refused to be changed suffered even more.

As we share in worship, I pray you feel blessed to be invited by the King and are enjoying sitting in the beauty of refreshment and possibilities. Natalie

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