



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

Sunday March 17, 2024.

Passion Sunday



Collect

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN.

(Church of England/ Common Worship))

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 am Holy Eucharist (1662)

10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS FOR TODAY

92 The is a green hill far away

86 My song is love unknown (*Omit v's 4, 5 & 6*)

89 O Dearest Lord, thy sacred head (*Tune: 472b*)

95 When I survey the wondrous Cross

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Jeremiah 31:31-34](#)

[Psalm 51](#) *Response:* Create in me a clean heart, O Lord.

[Hebrews 5: 7-9](#)

[John 12: 2-33](#)

READINGS NEXT WEEK

A Reading of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St Mark. (see booklet)

After 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

Healing Ministry During communion at the 10.30 am Sung Eucharist Fr Kit will be available in the Lady Chapel to pray with you on any issue which is concerning you.

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Lady Chapel, Thursday's at 10 am.

Brass Cleaning This Tuesday March 19 at 1pm in the Parish Lounge. Everyone welcome.

Concert at St Michael and All Angel's, Anderson's Bay, Wednesday, March 20 at 7pm to support the Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza. Entry by donation.

Peace Petition. Dot Muir, Diocesan AAW President has initiated a petition calling on NZ political leaders to work for peace in Gaza. It is at the back of church for those who wish to sign.

The Rock. The current issue of the parish magazine is available at the back of church.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm in the Parish and Beyond King Charles, Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Victoria Douglas, Jimmy Sprague, Fr. Carl.

Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time

Arthur Goodwillie, Ellen Brown, William Hodgeson, James Clements, Ruth Mumford, Fr. Ilyan Eades, Ben Holden and Denise Walker.

Parish AGM

Sunday March 24th, 2024.

Follows directly after the 10.30 am service.

There are nomination forms for office bearers at the back of church. Please place the signed and completed forms in the box provided.

From the Vicar

One of the verses in today's readings illustrates an extravagance few of us can really appreciate. Mary poured beautifully scented oil on Jesus' feet and treated her friend with great public tenderness. She had spent, in today's currency thousands of dollars on an exotic perfume. The witness of her total commitment and adoration is only recorded by the gospel writer who lived as a disciple. I suggest that John wanted to highlight the stark reality that existed, and exists today, between those who have faith in Jesus the Christ and those who don't. Judas speaks out against the anointing of Jesus' feet, claiming the expense was not justified and could have been better spent. This statement highlights Judas' lack of respect for Jesus and his own love of wealth, in contrast to Mary's love and devotion to Jesus. Judas' love eventually leads him to despair and suicide, Mary's love leads her to see God's glory and eternal life.

This Sunday is sometimes referred to as Passion Sunday, let us not just look to the Passion of Christ but into our own passions which will determine how we live our lives.

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