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The Pebble

Sunday, April 21, 2024.

Easter 4



Collect.

Good shepherd of the sheep,
by whom the lost are sought
and guided into the fold;
feed us and we shall be satisfied,
heal us and we shall be whole,
and lead us that we may be with you,
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
where you reign one God for ever.

Amen.

(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.

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

HYMNS FOR TODAY

457 The King of love my shepherd is

We sing the 3-part Alleluia at the Gospel

452 Stand up and bless the Lord

459 The Lord's my shepherd

102 A brighter dawn is breaking

READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 4: 7-12

Psalm 118 Response: Alleluia.

1 John 3: 1-2 John 10: 11-18

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Acts 9: 26-31

Psalm 22 Response: I will praise you, Lord, in the

assembly of your people.

1 John 3: 18-24 John 15: 1-8

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



<u>Healing Ministry</u> During communion at the 10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist someone will be available in the Lady Chapel to pray with you on any issue which is concerning you.

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

<u>The Rock.</u> The current issue of the parish magazine is available at the back of church.

<u>St Peter's Fellowship</u> meets for lunch at the Mornington Tavern, *this Tuesday* April 23 at 12.15 pm. Please ring Raylene on 455-2389 if you intend coming along.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm in the Parish and Beyond</u> King Charles, Princess Catherine and all facing cancer treatment at this time, Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Victoria Douglas, Fr. Carl.

<u>Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time</u> Gwendolyn Hiscock, Ian McAllan, Alexander Brown, John Johnson, Mavis Montieth, Eunice Teal and Stacy Carruthers.

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

My sister lives on a farm and every year ends up looking after poddy lambs. Sometimes the ewes have died, sometimes there are twins or even triplets, and sometimes the ewe just wanders off. Rarely will a ewe, who has lost a lamb, nurse a motherless lamb. It's just the way of things.

The shepherd tends to the frail and searches for the lost, feeds the hungry and supervises the welfare of the flock. But the flock also works together. When it's cold they huddle together to keep warm, the ewes take it in turn to watch the lambs frolic and the sheep warn each other, and the shepherd, if something is wrong.

The Christ's flock has the capacity to look after each other. We are not helpless sheep who have no responsibility for each other. We are a flock that does what it can for our brothers and sisters. We come together when times are harsh, look out for each other in times of joys and trouble. Our Lord and Shepherd Christ knows each one of us by name and has brought us together, so that we can support each other in this place and witness to the love of our Lord.

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