



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

10 September 2017 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

It was not a question of whether Our Lady of Walsingham could or could not perform miracles – for she saw that Hereward had been right: that the whole thing only bore significance if she was able to feel the whole of life transformed, devoted to truth, not fantasy; kindness not malice; serenity not panic...It was the difference between one who considered everything in life to be fluid and changing and shifting, and one who searched, however fleetingly, for a point inside or outside what we call life where the notion and the half-truth ceased and the truth could be seen in stillness and face to face. She knew she put her trust in this notion, even though it was something which any professional philosopher could run rings about. She knew that she believed in right and wrong, beautiful and ugly, as absolute standards which, with taste and conscience as guides, could be referred to in the midst of life's muddle. This belief – the odd and illogical combination of faith in the moral life, and a longing for stillness at the heart of things – divided her from those who did not share it.

A.N. Wilson
The Healer's Art (a novel)

Welcome

to all who are sharing with us in worship today.
The Ministry of Healing and Wholeness is offered
in the Lady Chapel during Communion. Everyone
is warmly invited to Morning Tea after the Solemn
Sung Eucharist

THE LITURGY FOR TODAY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)

10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS:

360 Firmly I believe and truly

353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Communion: In heavenly love abiding. Soloist: Arnold
Bachop

251 Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Ezekiel 33: 7-9](#)

The response to [Psalm 95](#) is:

If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts

[Romans 13: 8-10](#)

[Matthew 18: 15-20](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Sirach 27: 30-28: 7](#)

[Romans 14: 7-9](#)

[Matthew 18: 21-35](#)

PARISH NEWS

Potluck lunch follows this morning's 10.30 am Service.
All welcome.

Wardens' meeting The Vicar will meet with the Wardens
on Wednesday. Please mention to Kate Paterson or Tubby
Hopkins any matters you would like raised at that
meeting.

Midweek Eucharist Thursday, 10am in the Parish Lounge.

Microwave requested The microwave in the hall kitchen has done its dash. A new one has been purchased in a discount sale but a second one would be useful for events such as the upcoming Synod in our hall. Does anyone have a spare microwave they could let the parish have?

Brass cleaning There will be brass cleaning on Friday 22 September at 10.30 am in anticipation of the big weekend hosting the Bishop as celebrant and preacher. All helpers welcome.

High tea afternoon Fellowship is on Tuesday 26 September 2 pm at Raylene's home 172A Oxford St. Wear a hat if you want to join the fun! See you there!

Tell out the good news

It would be very much appreciated if parishioners could reach out to the wider circle of the parish family to let them know about our big Service on Sunday 24 September at which the newly ordained Bishop Steve Benford will celebrate and preach at the 10.30 am Parish Eucharist. Word of mouth will be the best way of ensuring the best possible attendance at this highlight of the parish year.

Daylight saving change While making your preparations to be with us for the Bishop's visit you need to be aware that clocks go forward at 2 am on Sunday 24 September. Don't be caught out by the time change.

Synod help requested Please let Kate Paterson know if you can help with the morning and afternoon teas at Synod in our hall on Saturday 23 September.

Parish garage sale Our next garage sale will be on Saturday 4 November. Please start setting aside items for this.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnston, Cherry Gordon, Margaret Sterling, Mahlia and Sheree Napier and Jonathan Gillies.

Pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time William Peterson, Peter Palmer, Dorothy Leftwich, Una White, Lillian McGlynn, and Elizabeth Bunker.

New version of the Maori Bible under way Brenda Crooks of the Bible Society has been working on a new translation of the Maori Bible for the past two years. Originally translated in 1868 it went through revised versions in 1889, 1925 and latterly 1952, but all of these were formal translations quite closely modelled on the King James Version. This new translation aims for a more informal style that comes across in a natural heart language. It will have paragraphs, punctuation and macrons (these designate the vowel length of a word). That wasn't necessary in earlier translations because there were more native speakers who knew about the vowel lengths.

House sitters required? Our missionary family the Hicks who will be with us in November need a house to live in while they are on deputation in Dunedin. They will be here from 17 November to 9 December. There are seven of them. Can you help?

Anglican Missions - stamps for mission Anglican Missions sells stamps on Trade Me, in auctions and to dealers around the world. However, they no longer want the general use KIWI stamps - these are the ones for general use with no postage allocated - those with pictures of ice cream cones, fishing, road sign, etc. They do however want the alternative Kiwi stamps, i.e. Pete's Post, NZM, DX, etc. They would also like other NZ stamps and of course international ones too. They are interested in mint and used stamps and collections. www.anglicanmissions.org.nz

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