



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

15 November 2020 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Musee Des Beaux Arts

About suffering they were never wrong,
The Old Masters: how well they understood
Its human position: how it takes place
While someone else is eating or opening a window or just walking
dully along;
How, when the aged are reverently, passionately waiting
For the miraculous birth, there must always be
Children who did not specially want it to happen, skating
On a pond at the edge of the wood:
They never forgot
That even the dreadful martyrdom must run its course
Anyhow in a corner, some untidy spot
Where the dogs go on with their doggy life and the torturer's horse
Scratches its innocent behind on a tree.

In Breughel's *Icarus*, for instance: how everything turns away
Quite leisurely from the disaster; the ploughman may
Have heard the splash, the forsaken cry,
But for him it was not an important failure, the sun shone
As it had to on the white legs disappearing into the green
Water; and the expensive delicate ship that must have seen
Something amazing, a boy falling out of the sky,
Had somewhere to get to and sailed calmly on.

W H Auden

Welcome

to all who are sharing in worship with us today and those who read the Pebble on-line. The Pebble assists those who are participants in our Services and also shares news and views of interest to parishioners.

THE LITURGY FOR TODAY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)
10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist
5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS FOR TODAY

466 Thou whose almighty word
We sing a threefold Alleluia before the gospel reading
339 Be thou my vision
285 For the beauty of the earth
409 Love of the Father, love of God the Son (t.250)

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

[Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31](#)

The response to [Psalm 128](#) is:

Happy are those who fear the Lord

[1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6](#)

[Matthew 25: 14-30](#)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

[Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17](#)

[1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28](#)

[Matthew 25: 31-46](#)

PARISH NEWS

Farewell to Marjorie Finnie This morning we farewell longstanding parishioner Marjorie Finnie who will soon move to Christchurch to be near to family. After communion we will

have a brief dialogue with her and will give her a blessing. A brunch follows after the 10.30 Service to honour her.

Fellowship farewell The St Peter's Fellowship Group will hold an afternoon tea to farewell Marjorie Finnie on Tuesday 17 November at 2 pm at St Barnabas at a cost of \$9. Please advise Raylene phone 455 2389 or Gay Web 476 1613 if you intend attending.

Farewell to Joan Dutton The Fellowship Group will hold a Christmas lunch and will farewell Joan Dutton on Tuesday 1 December at 12 – 12.15 pm in Mitchell's Tavern, Caversham. Please advise Raylene phone 455 2389 or Gay Webb 476 1613 if you intend coming. Joan is moving to Timaru to live with her sister. Her last Sunday with us will be on 13 December.

Curry evening Our next curry evening will be on Thursday 3 December.

Christmas evening Service moves to an earlier time Our main Christmas Service that takes place on Christmas Eve will move forward to 8 pm from last year's start time of 10.30 pm. This is the start time of the Easter Vigil Service and experience has shown that this is a more accessible time for parishioners. This candlelit Service is followed by a Christmas meal of good food and wine in the parish lounge.

Next Wardens' meeting The Wardens will meet with the Vicar on Wednesday 25 November. Please mention to Deirdre Harris or Di Bunker if there are any matters you want raised at that meeting.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Christie, Paul Hill, John Steele, Rosemary Stott, Sarah Rolfe, Richard and Carol Devine, Lorraine Mitchell and Greta Barton.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time William Brown, Eileen Owen, Gary Holden, Jasmine Holden and Donald Prail.

Iranian cuisine at Forbury Corner Last Monday saw the opening of "Noosh", a café offering Iranian food in addition to the usual coffee and cabinet food. The Iranian food is available on a take way basis between 5 and 7 pm, is tasty and appears to be the real thing. It is good to see the slow reopening and revitalization of hospitality venues down Hillside Rd after a long period of retail decline in our area. The opening of "Noosh" was repeatedly delayed by the DCC insisting on a raft of changes to the building on a continuing basis. Perhaps the DCC should be renamed the "Difficult City Council."

CCANZ expands north A year ago the Confessing Church of Aotearoa New Zealand broke away from the New Zealand Anglican Church to form a parallel structure. It was mainly concentrated in the South Island and in particular in Christchurch. To be a genuinely national church it needed to expand into the North Island and now that has begun to happen. Three Auckland churches have formed and affiliated to them, the Auckland Anglican Mission, the South Auckland Anglican Mission and Abide Church. The Revd Malcolm Falloon, who has been attached to Hope Church Dunedin, is moving north with his family to lead the Auckland Anglican Mission. In addition Abide Church, Hamilton has affiliated. CCANZ has now begun to ordain its own clergy, two in the North Island and two in the South Island. Interestingly it appears that they will ordain women.

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