



St Peter's Caversham  
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## The Pebble

Sunday, September 8, 2024.

Ordinary 23



### God Heals

Mark 7: 31-37

### Collect.

God the strength of all who believe in  
you,  
increase our faith and trust  
in your Son Jesus Christ,  
that in him we may live victoriously,  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## WELCOME

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

### The Liturgy for Today.

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)  
10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

### HYMNS FOR TODAY

360 Firmly I believe and truly  
*We sing the 3-part Alleluia at the Gospel*  
415 O for a thousand tongues to sing (t. 346)  
353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
417 O God, our help in ages past

### READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 35: 4-7

Psalms 145 *Response:* Praise the Lord, my soul!

James 2: 1-5

Mark 7: 31-37

### READINGS NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 50: 5-9

Psalms 116 *Response:* I will walk in the presence of the  
Lord, in the land of the living.

James 2: 14-18

Mark 8: 27-35

### 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.



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

**Morning Prayer** is said in the Lady Chapel each Wednesday at 9 am.

**The Holy Eucharist** is celebrated in the Lady Chapel on Thursday at 10 am.

**New Hall Kitchen** installation continues. Well worth a look!

**Vestry Meeting** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 3.00 pm in the Lounge.

**The Rock.** The latest edition of the Parish Magazine is available at the back of church and in the Link.

**Pray for the Sick and Infirm in the Parish and Beyond**

Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Kristian and Margaret Wallace.

**Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time**

Rona Hitchcox, William Peterson, Peter Palmer, Dorothy Leftwich, Una White, Lillian McGlynn and Elizabeth Bunker.



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*

Did you know that stars make a noise?

That trees talk to each other and that the whale is one of the loudest creatures on earth?

It must have been a shock for the deaf and mute man as his hearing and speech were restored. Trying to discern what noises were important and what weren't, it might have taken him a while. Learning to speak, so that others could understand would also have taken time.

Most of us take the ability to listen and speak for granted and tend not to take into consideration, the things we hear and the words we speak resonate throughout Creation, even if we can't hear them.

Do we actively engage in listening to life fulfilling words, music and peace? Do we speak words of truth and encouragement?

Let's not squander the gifts we have been given on the noisy distractions of this world. The lies and platitudes that are designed to diminish your self-worth. Listen to the healing words of Jesus Christ so that you may live fully in faith and trust.

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