



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

Sunday, January 5, 2025.

The Epiphany



Collect.

Jesus, light of the world,
let your bright star stand over the place
where the poor have to live;
lead our sages to wisdom
and our rulers to reverence.
hear this prayer for your love's sake.
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

50 From the eastern mountains (Tune: *Camberwell*)

We sing a 3-fold Alleluia at the Gospel

52 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

48 Bethlehem, of noblest cities

51 Hail, thou source of every blessing

READINGS FOR TODAY

[Isaiah 60: 1-6](#)

[Psalm 72](#) *Response:* Lord, every nation will adore you.

[Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6](#)

[Matthew 2: 1-12](#)

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

[Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11](#)

[Psalm 104](#) *Response:* O bless the Lord, my soul!

[Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7](#)

[Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22](#)

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 Solemn Sung Eucharist Fr Kit will be available in the Lady Chapel to pray with you on any issue which is concerning you.

Evensong and Benediction There will be no service of Evensong and Benediction today at 5pm. It will resume on the first Sunday of February at 5pm.

Morning Prayer will resume on the first Wednesday of February at 9 am in the Lady Chapel.

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Lady Chapel on Thursdays at 10 am throughout January.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm in the Parish and

Beyond Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Kristian, Faye-Noel Brown, Shaun and Jill Hodges.

Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time

Arthur Hill, Mary Wood, Marjorie Welch, William Bloxham, Francis Mumford and Robin Heaps.



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.

Kia ora from the Curate

I have taken the past week off work, and I don't think I could have been any busier! Amongst the many jobs that have been waiting my attention at home, there is the garage roof. We have spent the past few days emptying out the garage and then we stripped off the old roofing iron and rotten timbers. We can now stand in the empty garage, look up and see the stars (weather permitting).

A fresh start for a crumbling, yet extremely useful, building. Soon to be re-roofed and renovated, but also different to its original look with far more light, and even electricity.

I am sure that when the three wise men started their journey, they only had a vision of what they would find. They visited Herod, on their way, but had enough sense to avoid him later. When they reached the infant Jesus, they knew what they saw. Far more than an earthly King. They saw God, not through the baby, but in the baby Jesus.

I wonder what they did when they returned home with the knowledge that God lives among them and is for all people. How did this transform their world and their homes?

One Epiphany tradition is to bless our homes. Realise that God dwells in our world and to re-invite God into our houses. To renovate and bless both our buildings and those who live in them.

Ngā mihi nui
Joel

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