



St Peter's Caversham
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The Pebble

Sunday, February 2, 2025.
Presentation of Jesus in the Temple



Collect.

Everliving God,
your Son Jesus Christ was presented as a child
in the temple
to be the hope of your people;
grant us pure hearts and minds
that we may be transformed into his likeness,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit,
one God for ever.
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
5.00 pm Evensong and Benediction

HYMNS FOR TODAY

372 Immortal, invisible, God only wise
We sing a 3-fold Alleluia at the Gospel
484 The Church's one foundation
342 Breathe on me, breath of God
362 Glorious things of thee are spoken

READINGS FOR TODAY

Malachi 3: 1-4

Psalm 24 *Response:* The Lord of Hosts: he is the King
of Glory!

Hebrews 2: 10-11, 13-18

Luke 2: 22-40

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 6: 1-2, 3-8

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Luke 5: 1-11

After the Intercessions:

○ Lord, hear my prayer, (x2)
When I call answer me.
○ 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.

Morning Tea Everyone is invited to morning tea and coffee in the Parish Lounge after the 10.30 service.

Morning Prayer Wednesday's at 9 am in the Lady Chapel.

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Lady Chapel on Thursday's at 10 am

Evensong and Benediction today at 5pm. Everyone is welcome.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm in the Parish and Beyond Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Kristian, Shaun, Faye-Noel Brown, and Jill Hodges.

Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time Jun Miyagi, Peta Devine, Reg Barton and Charlotte Halliburton.



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

In this week's reading Mary and Joseph present the infant Jesus at the temple. Only 40 days after giving birth it would have a major journey for Mary. Joseph and Jesus to make.

They did it out of combination of law and tradition (the two are often blended). Mary needed to be ritually cleansed following childbirth and Jesus, being the first-born son, as to be dedicated to the Lord.

Traditions are interesting things, and we have many in both our church and secular worlds. Some families have mealtime or evening traditions. Most of the actions we take in church are based on traditions. Many we do without pausing to consider the why or the history.

But we do these as connections with the people around us, our past and, in many cases, as a connection to our Lord.

When the ritual sacrifices were made, and Jesus was presented in the Temple two mazing connections were made. Both Anna and Simeon, who were already full of the Spirit recognised immediately who Jesus was and praised him.

In our own traditions we also need to be aware of the joy and love that are part of these and to become aware of how these connect us to people we love and to God.

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