

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
S. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
CHRISTCHURCH



The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7 August 2022

From the Priest-In-Charge

Dear Parish Family, Kia Ora e Te Whanau

Welcome to Mass today, and a warm welcome to those who are or will be watching today's service on live-stream.

A couple of weeks ago the theme of our worship was prayer. I wrote that we Christians talk a lot about prayer. We do a lot of praying and when we pray we can seek to be on the right 'wave-length with God'. In other words, we seek to flow with the everlasting flow of God's love which permeates the whole universe and in which we live and move and have our being.

Our readings today are about faith. We Christians talk a lot about faith too! Faith is to my mind a bit different from the things we believe in. When I was younger someone told me that faith means taking a chance. That is to say that faith means taking the chance that what we say we believe in is actually so!

In a world which is so full of pain and sin and anguish, where human beings often treat each other with scant respect and care, we are amongst those that believe in original blessing, that against all the odds or so it seems, as I regularly repeat in my preaching and writing – 'life is stronger than death; love is stronger than hate.' To live out our lives based on this premise is to live in faith.

Verse 1 of the Hebrews reading for today states – 'Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen [NRSV]'. The Greek word which the NRSV version translates as 'assurance' [that is having confidence about things that cannot presently be verified] is '*hypostasis*'. Rather than 'assurance', some scholars would say '*hypostasis*' means the 'reality' of things hoped for. That is to say the writer of Hebrews asserts that in faith the believer already anticipates the final outcome [the reality] of what is believed. And what NRSV translates as 'conviction', the Greek word '*elegchos*' refers not so much to conviction that something will happen. It is more about the 'proof of things not seen'. Verse 1 then is not a trite statement about belief but rather a provocative claim that faith is the actual belief in the reality of those things that have not yet come to pass, that in Christ all that separates and injures and destroys is overcome by all the unites and heals and creates. Amen!

Blessings

Fr Peter

Fr Peter

Orange Traffic Light—Covid information

- Please wear a mask to cover your nose and mouth. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use .
- There will be congregational singing. **It is very important that you keep your mask on and observe social distancing. If you are unwell please do not attend.**
- Communion will be one kind only (bread).
- Please place your donation in the collection plates at the back of the church as you come in or leave. Thank you.

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Sunday

10.00 am Solemn Mass

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7 August 2022

Celebrant 8.00 am:	Fr Peter Beck	
Celebrant 10.00 am:	Fr Peter Beck	Organ: Eric Apperley & Paul Ellis
Mass Setting:	A Festive Eucharist	Noel Rawsthorne
Organ Voluntary:	O My Soul Rejoice with Gladness	Sigfrid Karg-Elert Arr. Noel Rawsthorne
Introit Hymn:	397	

Greeting:

Ki te ingoa ✕ o te Matua, me te Tamaiti, me te Wairua Tapu. Amine.
(In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✕ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)
Grace and peace to you from God. **God fill you with truth and joy.**

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for **the conviction of things not seen.**

The people are invited to call to mind their sins.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

Silence.

Let us confess our sins.

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done, and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

All:

**Kyrie, eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison, Christe, eleison, Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.**

Priest:

Through the cross of Christ, ✕ God have mercy on you, pardon you, and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. Amen.

All:

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Priest:

Holy and eternal God, give us such trust in your sure purpose that we may measure our lives not by what we have done or failed to do, but by our faithfulness to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: (*sit*) Genesis 15: 1–6 Joshua Wilson Black

Genesis 15: 1–6

Joshua Wilson Black

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir."

The Lord brought Abraham outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be."

And he believed the Lord: and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: 33

- R. **Let your constant love attend us, O Lord, as we put our trust in you.**

 1. How blest are the people whose God is the Lord, the people you chose as your own possession. You, Lord, look down from heaven upon all people, you consider all who inhabit the earth. R.
 2. You fashion the hearts of them all, and observe all their deeds. But your eye, O Lord, is on those who fear you, on those who rely on your steadfast love. R.
 3. We have waited eagerly for you, O Lord, for you are our help and our shield. Our heart shall rejoice in you, because we have hoped in your holy name. R.

Second Reading: (*sit*)

Hebrews 11: 1–3, 8–16

Jack Barrie

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: (stand)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to us your children.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

The Lord bless you

Praise and Glory to God

Gospel:

Luke 12: 32–40

Fr Peter Williams

Jesus said to his disciples: Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks.

Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to Christ the Word.**

Sermon: Fr Peter Beck

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human (*all genuflect or bow*).

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection  of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions: Margaret MacLagan

The Peace

Priest:

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

At the Peace all may exchange a non physical greeting with those near them.

Priest:

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ.

By one spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace:

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

The Preparation of the Gifts

Priest:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share
in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Offertory Hymn: 272

Priest:

Pray, sisters and brothers,
that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One.
May the Lord receive the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Priest:

Lord, we offer you this sacrifice of praise for all you have given to us, your
unworthy servants. Take away all our fears and free us to respond to your word.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Priest:

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to
give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ your only Son.
All things are of your making, all times and seasons obey your laws, but you
chose to create us in your own image, setting us over the whole world in all its
wonder. You made us the stewards of creation, to praise you day by day for the
marvels of your wisdom and power, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the
company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising
you and singing:

Sanctus & Benedictus:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Priest:

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father.
Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be
to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and
power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.
On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread;
when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;
do this to remember me.
After supper he took the cup;
when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said:
Drink this, all of you,
for this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins;
do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Deacon:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: **Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we
show forth; your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await. Amen! Come,
Lord Jesus.**

Priest:

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his
suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his
coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this
cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we
offer through Christ, our great high priest.
Hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you. In mercy
and love unite all your children, wherever they may be.
Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have
left this world in your friendship. We hope to enjoy for ever the vision of your glory
through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.
United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:
Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.

Silence

Priest:

As Christ teaches us we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Amen.

Priest:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

Priest:

Our hearts rejoice in him, for we hope in his holy name.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are we who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Communion in one kind will be administered from the front step at the centre of the aisle. Please leave your seat by the side aisle, and approach the centre aisle from the rear crossing. Please leave a 2m distance between yourself and others and please use the hand sanitizer. when receiving the sacrament, please stretch your arms horizontally as much as possible.

Communion Anthem: O thou the central orb

Communion Hymn: 272

Prayer after Communion:

Lord, may this Eucharist renew our hearts and minds, strengthen our faith and give us new confidence for the future. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing:

May the Lord watch over you, as you grow in faith and trust; may his constant love attend you as you go out to serve him in your daily lives and may the blessing of God, Creator, Christ and Spirit ✠ be with you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Deacon:

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Final Hymn:

Organ Voluntary: Allegro HM Higgs

NEXT WEEK

3pm - 14 August 2022

Christchurch Choral Festival

Church Choirs, Community Choirs, Youth Choirs and Concert Choirs

A concert celebrating the joy in singing together

Catholic Pro-Cathedral— 373 Manchester Street, Christchurch

Entry: Free

Health & Safety Regulations: In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

THIS WEEK**Notices**

Women's Fellowship July meeting has unfortunately had to be cancelled.

Meditation Group—will not meet in person while we remain cautious regarding the spread of Covid. Instead, we invite everyone to meditate for twenty minutes at home as close to midday on a Wednesday as possible in a virtual group.

Contact: Margaret MacLagan 0275599216.

Trust Meeting—Wed 5.30pm, at the Moyle's home..

Bible Study— Thurs 11.00 am, Parish Lounge.

Pray the Rosary—Thurs 12noon, Church. Contact: Gilbert Wealleans— 021338380.

Inasmuch Basket—please continue to support the work of the City Mission.

NEXT WEEK**Celebrating the Assumption of Our Lady**

14 August 2022

8:00 am	Mass	Celebrant:	Fr Peter Beck
10.00 am	Mass	Celebrant:	Fr Peter Beck
Servers:	MC: Michael Graveston	Th: Sung Bae	
	Ac: Jack Barrie, Mila Pepperle-Coles		
First Reading:	Isaiah 7:10-15		School
Second Reading:	Galatians 4: 4-7		School
Gospel:	Luke 1: 46-55		
Sermon:	Fr Peter Beck		
Sides people:	Robert MacLagan, Tim Cranston		
Live Streaming:	Rachel Watson		
Intercessions:	Robert MacLagan		
Offertory:	-		
Morning Tea:	Joy Coulter, Jane Ellis		
Sacristan:	Lawrence Watson		
Sacristy:	Joy Coulter		
Flowers:	Toni Stewart		

Please pray for...**The Sick:**

Alastair Scott, Rita Libeau, John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Bert Riseley, Shirley Kember, Clemency Mutze.

Sr Annette, Anne Fenton, Oscar Bisman, Matt Head, Geraldine Mullions, Fi-Bee, Kay Burgess, Magda Burney, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Mary Lazarus, Ongloon Yee, Raylene Coochey, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Anniversaries: (Sun) George Troon, Leeson Rose, Rob Davidson (Tues) Leonie Rickard
(Wed) Noeline Burrows, Des Fisher (Thurs) Ken Mechen
(Fri) Elsie Radcliffe, Mavis Hudson
(Sat) Patricia Fry, Bernard Jenkins, Hilda Moffat.

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This Sunday	The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 am	Low Mass	
10:00 am	Mass	
Monday	Dominic, Priest, 1221	
12:35 pm	Mass	
Tuesday	Mary Sumner, Founder of the Mothers' Union, 1921	
Wednesday	Laurence, Deacon and Martyr at Rome, 258	
12:35 pm	Mass	
Thursday	Clare of Assisi, Abbess, 1253	
12:35 pm	Mass	
Friday	Feria	
12:35 pm	Mass	
Saturday	Florence Nightingale, Nurse, Social Reformer, 1910	
Next Sunday	The Celebrating the Assumption of Our Lady	
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