St Philip's Come & See

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Sunday 20 March 2022

Third Sunday in Lent

The Vine Dresser and the Fig Tree by James Tissot

Welcome to St Philip's

St Philip's COVIDSafe Plan: We are asking that folk not attend church if they feel unwell, to be aware of their hand hygiene and to be mindful of social distance. Thank you. The QR code for the '*CBR Check In'* app is available if you wish to make use of it, masks are also available for those who wish to wear one.

Pew sheet & Order of Service: the Pew sheet including a complete order of service is available on our website. The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition, please use your phone/tablet and follow along. Alternatively service cards and a printed abridged Pew sheet is available.

Offertory: at the offertory when our gifts are brought forward, there is an opportunity for you to

make your contribution. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer, you can use it before or after the service. St Philip's EFT details are also available if you would like to make a direct transfer: 702-389 05202512. Giving cards are in the foyer if you wish to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically.

Communion: if you are baptised you are welcome to receive communion, which at present is in 'one kind.' If you would like to receive a blessing please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

Breakfast or Morning Tea: all our services are followed with hospitality on the Lamerton Centre deck, please join us - 'Come & See'

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

Next weekend Susan and I will be away attending a family wedding in Melbourne. Thank you to the clergy who have offered to lead worship next Thursday and Sunday and our Lenten study on Thursday evening.

On Thursday this week the Church celebrates the life of Oscar Romero, the Archbishop of San Salvador who was killed in 1980. Romero was a vocal advocate for peace and social justice in Central America and was assassinated while celebrating Mass. His story is one of extraordinary courage in the face of and criticism and persecution even from within the Church. He is celebrated as one of Ten Martyrs of the 20th Century in the Anglican Lectionary.

The brutal conflict in Ukraine continues to confound and horrify. In Russia and other nations today those who speak out against warfare, violence and injustice are arrested and silenced, many disappear. We are blessed with the freedom to speak against those who would wage war, and whilst we may feel helpless in face of such aggression we can and must speak out against the evil of violence and injustice and call upon those who lead us to do the same.

As we look forward to the renewal and reinvigoration of the Sunday services, which have become almost identical, we will revert to their pre COVID format. The 8am Eucharist will be a said service with no musical accompaniment whilst the 10am Eucharist will include more music. Some elements from the Philip Matthias setting for the Eucharist, which is in our hymn books, will be trialled over the coming weeks and I hope that in the future we can be more adventurous and use some contemporary settings and music.

Blessings to you all, *Martin*

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Eucharist for the third Sunday in Lent

Introit Hymn (10am) 215 (TiS)

You servants of God,
your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad
his wonderful name;
the name all-victorious
of Jesus extol:
his kingdom is glorious,
and rules over all.

God rules on high,
almighty to save;
and still he is nigh,
his presence we have;
the great congregation
his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation
to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God,
who sits on the throne!

let all cry aloud,
and honour the Son:
the praises of Jesus
the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces,
and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore,
and give him his right,
all glory and power,
all wisdom and might,
and honour and blessing,
with angels above,
and thanks never-ceasing,
and infinite love.

Charles Wesley 1707-88

Entrance Antiphon (Introit 8am)

'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts,' says the Lord.

Isaiah 55:9

Introductory Rites

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep ✠ you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Kyrie (Sung at 10am) 757 (TiS)

Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:
O God, the fountain of life,
to a humanity parched with thirst
you offer the living water that springs from the rock,
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit,
that we may profess our faith with freshness

and announce the with joy the wonder of your love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (55:1-9)

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
2 Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
3 Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
4 See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
5 See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

6 Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;
7 let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.
9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Psalm 63:1-9

O God, you are my God:
eagerly will I seek you.
My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you:
as a dry and thirsty land where no water is.
So it was when I beheld you in the sanctuary:
and saw your power and your glory.
For your unchanging goodness is better than life:
therefore my lips shall praise you.
And so I will bless you as long as I live:
and in your name will I lift my hands on high.
My longing shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness:
my mouth shall praise you with exultant lips.
When I remember you upon my bed:
when I meditate upon you in the night watches,
How you have been my helper:
then I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings,
Then my soul clings to you:
and your right hand upholds me.

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians (10:1:13)
I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, [2]and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, [3]and all ate the same spiritual food, [4]and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. [5]Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.
[6] Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. [7]Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' [8]We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. [9]We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. [10]And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. [11]These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. [12]So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. [13]No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Gradual Hymn (10am) 552 (TiS)
Come, my way, my truth, my life,
such a way as gives us breath,
such a truth as ends all strife,
such a life as killeth death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength,
such a light as shows a feast,
such a feast as mends in length,
such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart,
such a joy as none can move,
such a love as none can part,
such a heart as joys in love.

George Herbert 1593-1633

Gradual (8am)
Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

Isaiah 55:3

Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory!
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (13:31-35)
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.
At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. [2]He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? [3]No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. [4]Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? [5]No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.' [6]Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. [7]So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" [8]He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. [9]If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down." '

For the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed
Let us affirm the faith of the church

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 truly human. 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 with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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.

Prayers of the People
In our prayers we remember those in need, particularly: Ben, Gage, Hugh, Sarah, Myrle, David, Otto, Bob, Noel, Ermida, Vanessa, Molly, Marj, David and Margot, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital, residential or home care and those from whom we are isolated.

We pray for Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, the Principal, Rev'd Canon Victor Joseph, and the staff, for all the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students who come from many parts of the country to study at the College, and for the communities and families who will benefit from the students' skills upon graduation. We pray for the ongoing work of reconciliation with this country's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, that we may listen to the Statement from the Heart and be advocates and worthy allies of our First Nations sisters and brothers.

We commend to God the recently departed particularly the victims of war and pandemic, those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Noel Barratt (20/3/1999), John Dimmick (22/3/1971), James Bannerman (23/3/1994), Ethel McInnes (24/3/2016), Betty Heaton (24/3/2017); all whose memories are dear to us, and those who have no one to remember them.

The Greeting of Peace
We are the Body of Christ.
His Spirit is with us.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory Hymn (10am) 526 (TiS)
Lord Jesus Christ
you have come to us
you are one with us,
Mary's Son;
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring Your love and goodness in,
Jesus our love for you we sing,
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ
now and every day
teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance Lord of you
into our lives your power breaks through,
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us
Born as one with us,
Mary's Son;
led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus help us see
You are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ
I would come to you
live my life for you,
Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your power breaks through,
living Lord.

Patrick Appleford 1925-

Offertory

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 the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

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.

God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love.
accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good
to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days
you lead us into the desert of repentance
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
we may grow in grace
and learn to be your people once again.

Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
you bring us back to your generous heart.

Through study of your holy word
you open our eyes to your presence in the world
and free our hands to welcome others
into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
with joyful hearts and minds
we bless you for your mercy
and join with saints and angels
for ever praising you and saying:

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.

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.
On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do, this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
Proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Great is the mystery of faith:
When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:
Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to 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.

The Breaking of Bread and Communion

As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:

so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Agnus Dei (Sung at 10am) 757 (TiS)

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion Antiphon

My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you: as a dry and thirsty land where no water is.

Psalm 63

The Sending out of God's People

Let us pray:
Compassionate and loving God,
through your Son, Jesus Christ you have fed us
and have reconciled us to yourself.
Following his example of fasting and prayer,
may we obey you with willing hearts
and serve one another in holy love.
Most loving God, **you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ our saviour draw you to himself,
that you may find in him crucified
a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sin forgiven
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn 621 t.15 (TiS)

O God of every nation,
of every race and land,
redeem the whole creation
with your almighty hand.
Where hate and fear divide us
and bitter threats are hurled,

in love and mercy guide us,
and heal our strife-torn world.

From search for wealth and power
and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower
destruction through the night,
from pride of race and station
and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation,
eternal God, we pray!

Lord, strengthen all who labor
that we may find release
from fear of rattling saber,
from dread of war's increase.
When hope and courage falter,
Lord, let your voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter,
your servants undergird.

Keep bright in us the vision
of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division
give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious
when truth and justice reign,
and Christ shall rule victorious
o'er all the world's domain.

William Watkins Reid Jr 1923-

A Reflection

Disasters remind us that the world is not the way it should be. The world contains much beauty, and the Bible, particularly the Psalms, uses this to point towards the beauty and awe that is part of God's character. But the world also contains terrifying parts. Recently, I hiked about a kilometre from where a volcano erupted a few years earlier. Smoke still billowed forth from the crater; beside me were boulders, weighing up to 3 tonnes, which had been hurled through the sky. We are not in control of our world. The world
is beautiful, but it is also dangerous. C. S. Lewis represented God as a lion in the *Chronicles of Narnia*. One character asked if the lion is safe. 'Safe?' he wrote 'Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you' (Lewis 1950, 86).

The beauty of the world reminds us of God's good side, and disasters remind us of his dangerous side. He created the world with love and beauty, and humans introduced sin and ugliness. This requires a just response, which theology calls God's judgment. Injustice demands justice; ask any victim. God's judgment is how the Bible describes the bringing of justice.

The Bible records that this has happened with specific events from time-to-time, but it does not claim that every disaster is the direct act of God. Various theodicies have provided justifications for why God allows disasters to continue. The Bible claims that someday this will end and the world will be restored to how it should have been. Meanwhile, living in this imperfect world, God uses suffering and disasters to call people back to himself and to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with him (Micah 6:8).

Such beliefs should impact someone's ethics and actions. Those who believe in a generous, loving God should express that love in practical ways. Those with the world's possessions should be moved with compassion for those in need and act in practical ways (1 John 3:16). Since God has a particular concern for the vulnerable, Christians should also (James 1:27). Given the view that all humans are made in the image of God, discrimination and injustice are unethical. At the same time, each believer is on a journey to take on more of God's character traits as his or her own character undergoes ethical transformation. And when Christians are hit by disasters, their belief that God can bring good from a bad situation should provide hope and resilience. Disasters should cause all of us to reflect deeply on what matters most in life. They remind us

that we are not in control in this world, and will all ultimately face death. The Bible rejects the tendency to speculate about disasters as God's judgment on past behaviour, but instead calls on people to reflect on where we each stand with God. We don't need to be good enough to earn his acceptance; we are asked to be humble enough to accept his goodness and grace. Disasters remind us that all people deserve our help. They call on people to commit themselves to helping those in need, both through meeting their immediate needs in the disaster and working to overcome the injustices that exist in the world and contribute to the devastation of disasters.

O'Mathúna D.P. (2018)
Christian Theology and Disasters: Where is God in All This?
Donal O'Mathúna a lecturer in healthcare ethics in the School of Nursing at Dublin City University, Ireland.

News

Wanted: Website Manager St Philip's website is vital to our outreach and for sharing information with each other. We need a new website manager to maintain and improve our website. This is a ministry over a period of years and is challenging and creative. As a web-developer, you will need a working knowledge of HTML5, CSS and basic PHP. Anyone who has studied computing or designed a website could learn these easily. Or perhaps you would like to develop a new skill? While we cannot train you in the required coding skills, we will give you a thorough briefing about the existing website. Interested? Please talk to Brian or Alistair.

This afternoon – Sunday 20 March at 5.30pm, Alison and Alistair Davidson plan to take their dinner down to Uriarra East Recreation Area, (left off Uriarra Road). We would love parish members to join us. Please BYO everything – food, chairs, picnic blanket etc. We will set up in the vicinity of the amenities block, on the grass near the river. There are very rudimentary BBQs but you need to bring your wood. We have a couple of seats if you would like a lift – please contact Alison. Come and join us, before daylight savings ends!

The Canberra Refugee Action Campaign is again organising The Palm Sunday Rally (10 April) in Garema Place in support of the refugee community. Speakers at this year's rally will be Former Socceroo Craig Foster, Bishop Carol Wagner and Mostafa Azimitabar, a Kurdish refugee.

We will gather for our **pre-Easter Working Bee** on Saturday 2 April, 9-11am. Some priorities are being identified, but no doubt there will be the inevitable autumn leaves to be cleared in the courtyard!

In last Sunday's sermon, mention was made of the book ***Happiness* by Aminatta Forna** (Bloomsbury 2018) Here is a review that appeared in *Church Chat*: A Ghanaian psychiatrist who does contract work on trauma in war zones and an American scientist who studies urban foxes have their paths cross in contemporary London. The title is both ironic, and not. Cross-species and cross-cultural storylines intersect and build towards a powerful ending. The life experiences that make us fully human and connect us with each other is how I can best describe the theme of this novel. An easy and compelling read, like all exceptionally good works of fiction. I'm still thinking about this book a few days after finishing it, and that doesn't happen often to me. The ACT Library has this book as both a hardcopy and an e-audiobook available online.

Review by Andrea Mitchell

Planning a busy weekend at the end of April. On Saturday, 30 April Pandora's will present the launch of their Winter Collection. There will be the usual festivities and hospitality. A Book Stall is planned along with a BBQ breakfast and coffee. **On Sunday, 1 May** we will celebrate our Patronal Festival – the Feast of Saints Philip and James, and we look forward to a morning of celebratory worship. Please keep this weekend free in your diary.

St John's Care If you are able to assist please leave your donations in the baskets at the back of the church. Pasta meals, small tins of Milo, Tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned tuna, olive oil, pet food and treats as well as blankets and toiletries are the items currently in need. Thank you.

The Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) is working through Action by Churches Together (ACT) Alliance an organisation set up by the World Council of Churches to support global emergency relief work. ACT Alliance, has requested assistance as it seeks to respond to the escalating crisis in Ukraine. In response ABM has launched a tax deductible appeal which will not only seek to restore basic services for conflict-affected people in the Ukraine but also support refugees fleeing the Ukraine into Central Europe. To learn more or to donate, please visit the website at: www.abmission.org/ukraine

Alternatively we can support The Ukraine Crisis Appeal co-ordinated by the Anglican Relief and Development Fund Australia: https://ardfa.org.au/ukraine-crisis and The Ukraine Emergency Appeal co-ordinated by the USPG and the Church of England Diocese in Europe: https://ukraine-emergency-appeal.raisely.com/

We are continuing to pray for Wontulp-Bi-Buya College in Queensland. Please support this our National Mission, envelopes are available in the foyer. If you would like more information on the College you can visit their excellent website at https://www.wontulp.qld.edu.au/

As mentioned in last week's pew sheet we are moving to reintroduce the kneelers into the pews in the coming weeks as part of our gradual return to normality. The question of Communion is a more difficult one. It is an issue that will come before the General Synod when it meets in May and we will wait and see what advice comes from the Synod. In the meantime we continue making our communion in one kind and in May we will weigh up the options open to us.

This is an important part of our Anglican tradition. In the Thirty-nine Articles at the back of your prayer book you will find Article XXX: **Of both Kinds.**
The Cup of the Lord is not to be denied to the Lay-people: for both the parts of the Lord's Sacrament, by Christ's ordinance and commandment, ought to be ministered to all Christian men alike.

The matter of kneeling while receiving communion is also one that is part of our tradition. The term **Black Rubric** is the popular name for the declaration found at the end of the "Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper" in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). The Black Rubric explains why communicants should kneel when receiving Holy Communion and excludes possible misunderstandings of this action, the declaration stating: *we do declare that it is not meant thereby, that any adoration is done, or ought to be done.* The declaration was composed in 1552, but the term dates from the 19th century when the medieval custom of printing the rubrics in red was followed in editions of the BCP while the declaration was printed in black.

This week @ St Philip's

Today	*Third Sunday in Lent*
8am	**Eucharist**
10am	**Eucharist with Hymns**
Tuesday 22 March	*Thomas Ken, bishop of Bath & Wells, teacher (d.1711)*
2pm	**Eucharist – Sir Leslie Morshead manor**
Thursday 24 March	*Paul Couturier, ecumenist (d.1953) &*
	Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador (d.1890)
10am	**Eucharist**
7pm	Lenten Reflection 3
Saturday 26 March	*Feria**
10am - 1pm	Pandora's
11am	Holy Communion – Kankinya
Sunday 27 March	*Fourth Sunday in Lent (Refreshment or Laetere Sunday)*
8am	**Eucharist**
10am	**Eucharist with Hymns**

Readings: Joshua 5:2-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21, Luke 15:11-32

** A Feria day is one in which no feast is observed.*

Roster

		20-Mar-22	27-Mar-22	3-Apr-22	
	Sunday of Month	**3rd**	**4th**	**1st**	
	Liturgical Season	3rd Sunday in Lent	4th Sunday in Lent	5th Sunday in Lent	
	Flowers	*No flowers during Lent*	*No flowers during Lent*	*No flowers during Lent*	
8am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Canon Scott	**8am**
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)	Rev'd Canon Scott			
	Sidespeople	*volunteers*	Tim & Shane	Margaret & Russell	
	Liturgical Assistant		Brian McK	Lisa C	
	1st Bible reader - OT	Julianne S	Susan J	Russell M	
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Rebecca P	Shane W	Margaret M	
10am	Celebrant	Rev'd Canon Scott	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	**10am**
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)			Rev'd Canon Scott	
	Sidespeople & Welcomer	Janene B, Jeannette McH & Richard G	Sally A, Fred A & helper	Denise M, Fred A & helper	
	Liturgical Assistant	Rev'd Martin	Philippa W		
	Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist				
	1st Bible reader - OT	Fiona D	Fred A	Liz D	
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Kerry-Anne C	Laura W	Ann M &	
	Morning Tea	Ann M	Janene B	Liz D	
	Additional details/notes				

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 31 March	Lenten Reflection 4 7pm
Saturday 2 April	Easter Working Bee 9-11am
Sunday 10 April	Palm Sunday
Friday 15 April	Good Friday
Saturday 30 April	Pandora's Winter Launch
Sunday 1 May	St Philip's Day
Friday 9 September	Diocesan Synod (9-11 Sept)