

## Christmas Services

Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, Sun 22 Dec., 7pm.

Christmas Eve: Midnight Eucharist, Tue 24 Dec. 11.30pm.

Christmas Day: Eucharist, Monday 25 Dec., 9am.

First Sunday after Christmas, 29 Dec, 9am, Combined service of Eucharist.

## Anglican News

The December edition of the Canberra & Goulburn *Anglican News* is available on the St Philip's website.

## Today's Roster—15 Dec. (3rd Sunday)

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Dr Chris Simon.

**8am:** Welcoming/Offertory: vacant; LA/Prayers: Russell M;

Readers: Rebecca P / Julianne S.

**10am:** Welcoming/Offertory: Revd Jeannette & volunteer; AV: vacancy;

Readers: Jeanette D-T / Fred A; LA/Prayers: Brian M; Musician: Colin F;

Morning Tea: Ashton R & Liz D.

## This week @ St Philip's

Tue 10am	17 Dec Men's Group End of year BBQ
Thu 10am	19 Dec Mid-week Eucharist and morning tea
Sat 11am	21 Dec Eucharist at Canberra Aged Care
Sun 7pm	22 Dec Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

## Next Sunday—22 Dec. <https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/rosters>

4th Sunday of Advent, 4th Sunday of Month.

Micah 2.2-5a; Song of Mary; Heb. 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-45.

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Rob Miners.

**8am:** Welcoming/Offertory: Shane & Tim W; LA/Prayers: Julianne S;

Readers: Shane & Tim W.

**10am:** Welcoming/Offertory: Laura W / Brian M; AV: vacant; Readers: Liz D.

/ Brian M; Deacon: Revd Robin; Prayers: Ashton R; Musician: Colin F;

Morning Tea: Manjuni G.

## Calendar <https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/calendar.php>

Tue 11.30pm	24 Dec Christmas Eve "Midnight" Eucharist
Wed 9am	25 Dec Christmas Day Eucharist
Sun 9am	29 Dec Combined Service, 1st Sunday after Christmas
Thu 7pm	16 Jan Induction of Revd Christine



**St Philip's**  
*Come & See*

15 December 2024

Third Sunday of Advent

## Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted that you are here!

Zephaniah 3.14-20; Song of Isaiah (APBA, p. 391); Philippians 4.4-7; Luke 3.7-18  
Hymns 10am: 270, Lord, When You came to Jordan (in this pewsheet, tune 361),  
271, 351



Raphael. *John the Baptist Preaching*. Servite Church of S. Fiorenzo, Perugia (1505)

We acknowledge the Ngambri and Ngunnawal people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship. We pay our respects to their elders, past, present, and emerging. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who worship with us.

## St Philip's Anglican Church O'Connor

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Revd Rob Miners

Locum Rector (part-time)

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## Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ann, John & Clare, Barbara, Beryl, David, John G, Katherine, Sandra, Timothy, Wendy & Nathan. We pray for those unable to gather with us and those in hospital or other care. We commend to God the recently departed and remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time—Bryan Coombs, (20/12/2019), Alice Saylor (20/12/1988), and Dorothy Carley (202/12/2022)—the victims of war, terrorism, disease and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those remembered only by God.

**Communion.** If you are baptised, you are welcome to receive communion. If you would like simply to receive a blessing, please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

**Offertory.** Please place your gift in the offering bag or use the Eftpos machine in the foyer. St Philip's account for regular giving is: 702-389 05202512. For those who give electronically, giving cards are available to put in the bag offered at the altar.

## Sunday Preaching Calendar, December Revd Rob Miners

Fourth Sunday of Advent—22 Dec—*Mary reflects*—Micah 2.2-5a; Song of Mary; Heb. 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-45.

Christmas Eve—Tue 24 Dec—*What does Christmas mean for you?*—Isaiah 9.2-7; Ps. 96; Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-14.

Christmas Day—Wed 25 Dec—Revd Dr Colin Dundon—Isaiah 52.7-10; Ps. 97; Titus 2.4-8a; Luke 2.8-20.

First Sunday after Christmas—29 Dec—*False Assumptions*—1 Sam. 2.18-20 26; Ps. 148; Col. 3.12-17; Luke 2.41-52.

Second Sunday after Christmas—5 Jan—Jeremiah 31.7-14; Psalm 147. 12-20; Ephesians 1.3-14; John 1.1-18.

The Baptism of Our Lord—12 Jan—*Change*—Isaiah 43.1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-22. This will be Revd Rob's concluding Sunday with us.

## Parish Council highlights, 10 December

- Council continued preparation for the arrival of Revd Christine: including the induction service, final stages of the rectory refurbishment; and selection of a vehicle. We decided to lease an electric vehicle, rather than purchase outright.
- On legal advice, the hall and grounds will be leased to the kindergarten rather than granting a licence to occupy.
- **AGM date:** 23 Feb 2025; **Reports due:** 2 Feb. AGM agenda and reports to parish members: 9 Feb. Please prayerfully consider whether you can

serve the St Philip's community as a member of the Parish Council in 2025. More information next week!

## St Philip's Advent Calendar 2024 — Week 3

Go to <https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/advent>



Readings and reflections for each day of the season, with art, music and poetry.

## Hymn (10am)

1. Lord, when You came to Jordan  
And asked to be baptized,  
What was Your vow and vision  
Of love and sacrifice?  
Was there a sudden splendour  
Of prophets, priests, and kings,  
A wind that stirred the waters,  
A blur of mighty wings?
2. Was this God's crowning moment  
Of all You had become,  
The Spirit's power and blessing:  
"Go now, You are My Son."?  
Did scripture join with scripture  
In words of sharp surprise:  
"The Lord's Messiah shall conquer,  
Rejected and despised."?
3. Faith rests content with questions  
Of when and why and how,  
But craves the gift of seeing  
What God is doing now.  
Lord, bring us to our Jordan  
Of newly opened eyes,  
Through love, immersed in living,  
As You were once baptized.

Brian Wren, 1979