

Health and Safety. If you have a concern about anything to do with health and safety at St Philip's, you are encouraged to advise the Parish Safety Officer or a Warden, in person or in writing.

Today's Roster—2 March (1st Sunday of the Month)

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Christine Cargill

8am: Welcoming/Offertory: Margaret & Russell M; LA/Prayers: Brian M;

Readers: Margaret & Russell M.

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Fred A / Revd Bob; Slides: Fiona D;

Readers: Ashton R / Fiona D; LA/Prayers: Brian M; Musician: Jeanette D-T;

Morning Tea: Jane W.

This week @ St Philip's

Tue	10am	4 Mar	Men's Group
Wed	10am & 7pm	5 Mar	Ash Wednesday: Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes
Thu	10am	6 Mar	Mid-Week Eucharist and morning tea
Sat	11am	8 Mar	Eucharist at Canberra Aged Care
Sat	10am-1pm	8 Mar	Pandora's pre-loved clothing shop is open

Next Sunday—9 March

<https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/rosters>

First Sunday in Lent, 2nd Sunday of the Month.

Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Psalm 91.1-2, 9-16; Romans 10.4-13; Luke 4.1-15

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Christine Cargill.

8am: Welcoming/Offertory: Alison & Alistair D; LA/Prayers: Brian M;

Readers: Alison & Alistair D.

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Helen & Hardy P; Slides: Liz D; Readers: Kerry-Anne C / Laura W; Deacon/Prayers: Revd Robin; Musician: Colin F; Morning Tea: Helen P.

Calendar

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Tue	7pm	11 Mar	Parish Council
Thu	10am & 7pm	13 Mar	Lenten Study – 1
Tue	10am	18 Mar	Men's Group
Thu	10am & 7pm	20 Mar	Lenten Study - 2
Thu	10am & 7pm	27 Mar	Lenten Study – 3
Thu	10am & 7pm	5 April	Lenten Study – 4 - Quiet Morning

Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted that you are here!



2 March 2025

Transfiguration

Exodus 34.29-35;

Psalm 99;

2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2;

Luke 9.28-36.

Hymns 10am: 457, 216, Be still (see booklet), 526

Raphael (1483-1520).

Transfiguration (1516–20).



5 March 2025

Ash Wednesday

Joel 2.1-2, 12-17

Psalm 51.1-1

2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10;

Matthew 6.1-6, 16-21



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.

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Thought for the week.

From the Rector

What does it look like when we have been touched by God? What allows us to have confidence that God is with us? Today, when we focus on the Transfiguration, we hear three stories that all relate to how we can see that one has been in the presence of God.

The Transfiguration is a powerful image. Luke's disciples need a revelatory experience to appreciate Jesus' identity and vocation. In Luke's gospel this event has a distinctive interpretation of Jesus' death and resurrection. The transfiguration provides the apocalyptic component of what is to come. Earlier, Jesus came from a time of prayer to ask his disciples how they understood his identity. The transfiguration will also follow a moment of intimate prayer.

Prayer is at the heart of the time we spend in the presence of God. Today we hear how those who return from God's presence 'glow'. It may challenge us to consider how our time of prayer radiates God's presence to those around us. Equally, as we prepare for the start of Lent this week, we are invited like the disciples to ponder what we have seen; and how it informs the journey to Easter we are on.

Baptism today. In the 10am service today, we celebrate the baptism of Eloise Grace Lindbeck, daughter of Katherine and grandchild of Judith and Rob Lindbeck. Family, friends and parishioners are invited for refreshments after the Service.

Prayers of the People. In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ann, John & Clare, Barbara, Beryl, Brad, David, John, Margaret, Sandra, Ursula, and 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, especially Jan Bentley, and remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, including June Mannall (5/3//2024), Daphne Hall (5/31995), Merryn Bannerman (5/3/1985), and David Gowty (6/3/2013). We remember, too, the victims of war, terrorism, disease and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those remembered only by God.

Prayer requests. Please send prayer requests to Revd Christine.

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.

Receiving Communion. All who are baptised are welcome to receive communion, regardless of their tradition or the last time they received. If you would simply like to receive a blessing, please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward. When you come forward, please use the hand sanitizer at the front of the church. The common cup is offered on the left-hand side of the church, and a cup for those who intinct (dip) on the right. If you wish to receive only the bread or a blessing come to either side. Gluten-free bread is available.

Lent. Lent starts on the **5 March 2025** with Ash Wednesday, one of the most important days in the church calendar.



Traditionally Ash Wednesday has been seen as a Holy Day of Obligation—a day when we make every effort to go to church. There will be services at 10am and 7pm with **Eucharist** and **Imposition of Ashes**.

Revd Christine has emailed a booklet about the **meaning of Lent** and our **2025 Lenten studies**. There are printed copies in the foyer. There is a link to more information on the home page of the website.

Parish Council. We welcome the members of our new Parish Council:

The Rector: Revd Christine Cargill.

Wardens: Alison Davidson, Russell McCaskie, and Laura Wood.

Councillors: Sarah Gowty, Lari McBunker, Revd Jeanette McHugh, and Julianne Stewart.

At its first meeting on 11 March, the Council is expected to reappoint Mel Rath as Treasurer and Brian McKinlay as Secretary. They will then become full members of the Council. The Chairperson of the Council is to be chosen by the Council from its membership.

