St John's Care Goods in short supply are: UHT full cream 1 litre milk, jam/honey/vegemite, cereal, tinned fruit, cooking oil, canned tuna, school snacks, 1kg rice, tinned chunky soups, pasta sauce, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, deodorant, toilet paper, washing powder, dishwashing liquid. Please leave donations in the baskets on the back pew.

Today's Roster—9 March. (1st Sunday of the Month)

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: Fiona D; Readers: Fiona D / Helen P; Deacon/Prayers: Revd Robin; Musician: Colin F; Morning

Tea: tba.

This week @ St Philip's

Tue	7pm	11 Mar	Parish Council
Thu	10am	13 Feb	Mid-Week Eucharist and morning tea
Sat	11am	15 Feb	Eucharist at Canberra Aged Care
Sat	10am-1pm	15 Feb	Pandora's pre-loved clothing shop is
			open

Next Sunday—16 March.

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

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

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18; Ps. 27; Philippians 3.17-4.1; Luke 13.31-35

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Christine Cargill.

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

Reader: Rebecca P (OT & NT).

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Revd Jeannette & Laura W.; Slides: Rebecca K. Readers: Jeanette D-T / Fred A; LA/Prayers: Rebecca K; Musician: Colin F; Morning Tea: Ashton R & Liz D.

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Tue 10am	18 Mar	Men's Group
Thu 10am & 7pm	13 Mar	Lenten Study – 1
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



9 March 2025

First Sunday in Lent

Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted that you are here!

Deut. 26.1-11; Psalm 91.1-2, 9-16; Romans 10.4-13; Luke 4.1-15. *Hymns 10am: 591, 745, 595, 496.*



Briton Riviere (1840-1920). The Temptation in the Wilderness (1898).

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

On Wednesday we began our Lenten journey, which continues until we reach the Easter Feast in April. On this first Sunday in Lent, we encounter readings that focus on temptation—a common Lenten theme.

The problem with these narratives at the beginning of Lent is that they can create a reductive view of all temptations as small challenges to an individual faith. For Luke, the purpose of this story is not to create an equivalent to personal temptations around faith, but rather to highlight the unique vocation of Jesus as the Son of God. Jesus' vocation is grounded by Luke through the arrival of the Holy Spirit at Jesus' baptism (Luke 3:21-22). It is the Spirit who not only leads Jesus into the wilderness but sustains him as he responds to each of the temptations. And it will be the Spirit that continues to enable the good news for the poor preached by Jesus (Luke 4:18-21).

Lukes writes to help us understand how Jesus who, anointed by God's Spirit, will fulfil his vocation as Son of God. These temptations belong to Jesus as part of this narrative, even if we may resonate with them at times. Luke is just reminding us that these temptations are part of a struggle that belongs to what it means to be Son of God who is led by the Spirit . . . in the wilderness.

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 and remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, including John Cousins, Aileen MacDonnell, and Jean Parke. 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. 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. The studies begin on Thursday this week.

The Llewellyn Choir performs *Invictus: A Passion* Wesley Uniting Church, Palm Sunday, 13 April 2025,

5pm. The Llewellyn Choir, Sinfonia and soloists present the Canberra premiere of Howard Goodall's *Invictus: A Passion* (2018), and Telemann's *Cantata Hosianna dem Sohn David* (early C18th). *Invictus* is an interpretation of the Passion story, focused on the perspectives and experiences of women. Adults \$45, Concessions \$40, Students \$20, Children free. Book at *www.llewllynchoir.org.au*.

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Instructions for living a life:
Pay attention.
Be astonished.
Tell about it.

Mary Oliver "Sometimes," *Devotions*, p. 104

