

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—16 March (3rd Sunday of the Month)

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.

This week @ St Philip's

Tue	10am	18 Mar	Men's Group
Thu	10am	20 Mar	Mid-Week Eucharist and morning tea
Thu	11am & 7pm	20 Mar	Lenten Study 2
Sat	11am	22 Mar	Eucharist at Canberra Aged Care
Sat	10am-1pm	22 Mar	Pandora's pre-loved clothing shop is open

Next Sunday—23 March

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

Third Sunday in Lent (4th Sunday of the month)

Isaiah 55: 1-9; Psalm 63: 1-9; 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13; Luke 13: 1-9

Hymns (10am): 222 (tune 314), 703, 569, 576.

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Preb Christine Cargill.

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

Readers: Shane & Tim W.

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Brian M & volunteer; Slides: *vacancy*;

Readers: Liz D / Brian M; Deacon: Revd Robin; Prayers: Ashton R;

Musician: Colin F; Morning Tea: Jane W.

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

Thu	11am & 7pm	27 Mar	Lenten Study 3
Sat	9am -1.30pm	5 Apr	Lenten Study 4 - Quiet Morning
Sun	3am	6 Apr	Daylight saving ends; clocks back 1 hour
Sat	9.30-11.30am	12 Apr	Working bee



16 March 2025

Second Sunday in Lent

Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted that you are here!

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18;

Psalms 27;

Philippians 3.17-4.1;

Luke 13.31-35

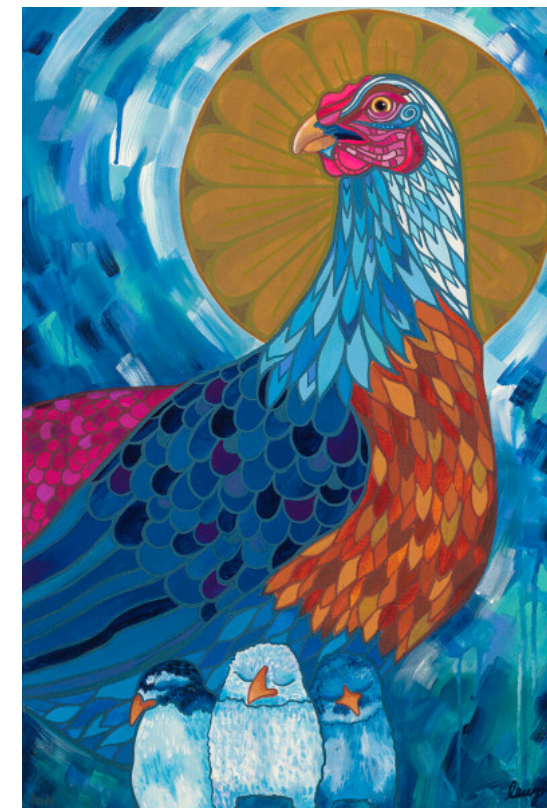
Hymns 10am:

619, 546, 560(i), 684

Lauren Wright Pitman.

Jesus as a Mother Hen.

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

Lent serves as a time for prayer, repentance, and turning our whole selves over to the One who can heal and restore us. The Apostle Paul's words in Philippians 3 focus on "standing firm in the Lord" so that we might more clearly see to whom we should look as role models. He encourages us to discern the differences between reliable sources and intentional or unintentional agents of destruction. The things that distract us from our faith are not always obvious.

We see this question of motivation in our Gospel reading from Luke 13 as we are reminded of the daily ministry of Jesus in the face of his approaching passion. The passage begins with a warning for Jesus from the Pharisees about Herod's plan to kill him, but it becomes a reflection on the nature of Jesus' life and mission. The passage invites us to reflect on the meaning of Jesus' life and death in our own discipleship, as well as the role we play in the continuing mission of Jesus.

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.

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ann, John & Clare, Barbara, Beryl, Brad, David, John G, Jan, Margaret, Sandra, Timothy, Ursula, 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 is this week: Jean Parke (17/3/1987), Marjorie Wright (19/3/2002), Noel Barratt (20/3/1999), Doreen Warren (20/3/2022), and John Dimmick (22/3/1971). We remember, too, the victims of war, terrorism, disease and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those remembered only by God.

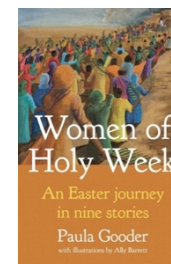
News from the Parish Council

Our new Parish Council met on Tuesday 11th March. We elected key office bearers and agreed on areas of oversight. Please pray for our new PC and their roles: Sarah (mission), Lari (Chair), Jeannette, Julianne (compliance), Jane (events), Mel (Treasurer), Brian (Secretary), Russell (Warden and property), Laura (Warden and mission) and Alison (Warden and property).

Thank you also to parish members outside the Council who have agreed to fulfil roles this year.

We agreed on a budget for replacing the seating in the courtyard under the tree. We have been offered a generous donation towards this project. If anyone else would like to contribute to the installation of chairs under the tree, please do speak with Christine or one of the wardens.

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 second study is at 11am or 7pm on Thursday this week.



A prayer

*Світлом науки і знання
Нас, дітей, просвіти,
В чистій любові до краю,
Ти нас, Боже, зрости.*

With learning and knowledge enlighten
Us, your children small,
In love, pure and everlasting
Let us grow, O Lord.

A stanza from Молитва за Україну / *God the Great One!*
Words: Oleksandr Konytskyi, Ukraine (1885).