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Sunday 18th January 2004
Second Sunday after Epiphany

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119
Organist (10.00am): Shirley Barrett
Hymns: TIS 414, 416, 511, 545

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Readings:

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 36: 5-10
1 Corinthians 12: 1-11
John 2: 1-11

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Every year people say I hope things will be better in it the new year. Even though there are unwelcome events such as bushfires and wars which affect us the "happiness" we hope for in the new year depends a great deal on how we and deal with situations. In today's gospel Jesus gives new wine and therefore new life to the party. Discovering again the richness of that new wine of Christ's presence is our way of facing the new year with freshness, hope and happiness.

It is a year since the bushfire which did such great damage to the southern suburbs of Canberra. We will all have memories of that day and most of us know someone who lost property or possessions in that disaster. I can recall it vividly and I still wonder why so many people were caught unawares The sky to the north was a beautiful blue and then a dark grey black cloud of smoke covered the south. It was like something out of "Lord of the Rings". I have kept a burnt leaf which landed in the Rectory yard as a souvenir of the occasion and a reminder that we too were vulnerable

The whole event has left many still without homes and challenged authorities about the way we face such disasters. There are still those who bear the scars of grief of lost loved ones as well as those who still battle physical and emotional scars. It has also re-focussed our thoughts on the community spirit which exists here in Canberra

and enabled agencies such as Anglicare to hone their skills in emergency situations. We continue to give thanks for all whose task it is to fight fires and pray for wisdom in the re-growth and renewal of our bush surrounds as houses and lives are slowly restored.

After nearly three weeks of annual leave, two weeks of which were spent at beautiful Tathra, I am back to start work for 2004. May we all have a Happy New Year as we look at where God takes us.

Already things are changing! Last week you said farewell to Janet and Tony Brian Davis and on Thursday Sandy and I caught up with them to also say good bye. Tony and Janet have left some gaps to be filled. Tony as synod representative, Janet as organiser of the children's activity boxes, and together as Morning Tea coordinators. Janet was also a Parish Councillor.

We will soon be saying farewell to David and Beryl Gowty as they take up a posting in New Caledonia. It seems like only yesterday we welcomed them home from China. The Gowty's must be the most welcomed and farewelled members of St Philip's.

Pat and Amanda Forbes are of course in England where Pat is catching up on friends and family and Amanda is arranging her course of study. When Colin re-appears after his January break we may need to feed him occasionally to prevent him fading away!

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The Departed: Peter Neil Hall 4/12/52 14/1/80; Gilbert Charles Barnes 30/1/30 - 11/1/86

The Saints: Hilary of Poitiers, bishop and teacher (d.367); Sava, first archbishop of the Serbian church (d. 1235), Antony of Egypt, abbot (d. 356).

TODAY'S ROSTER:
No Morning Tea during January

Readers
8am: Carola Parke
10am: David Gowty 1st Jean Pound 2nd

Sidespersons: 8am: Norm Davey
10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson
Flowers: Beryl Gowty

THIS WEEK
Monday: Rob's Day Off
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Wednesday, 10.00am Holy Communion
Friday: 10am - 1 pm Pandora's Open
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SUNDAY 25th January 2004 Third Sunday after Epiphany
8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion APBA page 119

Readings:
Nehemiah: 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19
1 Cor: 12: 12-31
Luke 4: 14-21

Rosters:
Morning Tea: No Morning Tea During January
Readers: 8am: Joyce Webster
10am: Linda Anchell 1st Ashton Robinson 2nd
Sidespeople: 8am: Ian Rischbieth
10am: Helen Palethorpe & Gowty Family
Flowers: Sandra Lamerton
Please take a pewsheet home and pass one on to someone else

NOTICES

CLEANING ROSTER???

With our paid cleaner away for the university break we need to

make sure St Philip’s gets cleaned. Would you be willing to be on a roster for church cleaning? If we could get a roster up and running until February we could then review the cleaning. About two hours a week are required.

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THE INTINCTION CUP

We are still working the best way to make this work. Please give me some comments and ideas on how this may be best administered. Thanks!

PSALM 36.5-10

Response: With you is the well of life and in your light we see light.
5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;
you save both human and beast, O Lord. **R**
7 How priceless is your love, O God!
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights. **R**
9 For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.
10 Continue your loving kindness to these who know you,
and your favour to those who are true of heart. **R**

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Offerings banked 12/1/04 Envelopes and Loose $690.40 plus EFT $320
Northbourne Community Centre $10

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Put a link in your own website or email signature!

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Sunday 25th January 2004
Third Sunday after Epiphany

The Spirit of the Lord is Upon me

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119
Organist (10.00am): Shirley Barrett
Hymns: TIS 188, 411, 253 Marrkapmirr, after sermon, 179, 67211

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Readings:

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From Rob

Hi Everybody!

This weekend we celebrate Australia Day - the anniversary of the landing of the first fleet at Sydney Cove. Many believe the day should be changed as a mark of respect and out of concern for the aboriginal people who have inhabited this land for over 100000 years. Australia Day Celebrations have in the past emphasized the European history of the continent and inadequately understood the richness of the aboriginal heritage. Whatever happens to the day we call Australia Day the 26th January will still be the anniversary of white settlement. As such it may become a time of greater awareness of aboriginal culture and be a focus for better understanding between the first Australians and we who are part of the ongoing European settlement. I often wonder if Australia Day might become a day when we say "THANKS" to the earlier custodians of this land for keeping it in such great condition! It may also become a day when we think about the health and healing of the ecology. The "Clean up Australia" campaign set a good example but that is only the beginning.

Tragedies this week with the sudden death of David Hookes, former Australian cricketer, after an altercation at a hotel and then the tragic death of almost all of the Allen family of Canberra in a road accident remind us of the tenuous hold we have on this thing called "life". Mistakes made by ourselves or by others can have a devastating effect! I wonder if the "bouncer/crowd controller" in the first case keeps going back to the instant just before David Hookes was hit and wonders about how it could have been different. I wonder too how much grief a couple of young girls can bear with both parents and two sisters dead as well as their own injuries to deal with? Then my mind runs to the seemingly ceaseless trauma in Israel and Iraq and then to the devastation in Iran. Two weeks ago I heard a report that they had already buried 28000 people! I cannot imagine horror on that scale with generations of families wiped out.

Today's readings remind us that we with Jesus have the Spirit of God upon us to bring liberation and healing in this world! How will we do it?

On a lighter note! After last week's sermon and the reference to tapping a keg I was looking through the CIT summer and autumn courses for a course on "Punch lines for preaching" and found just the course "Tapping a keg for home use". Alas they don't offer a course on "Punch lines etc….." but I did find "Fire twirling" under "Circus Skills"! Guaranteed to liven any sermon! Now why didn't we study that at Theological College?

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The Departed: Clare Baker (d. 25/1/03)

The Saints: Agnes, martyr at Rome (d.304); Vincent, deacon and

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SUNDAY 1st February 2004 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion APBA page 119

Readings:
Jeremiah 1: 4 - 10
Psalm 71: 1 - 6
1 Cor: 13: 1 -13
Luke 4: 21 - 30

Rosters:
Morning Tea: Volunteers please!
Readers: 8am: John Girdlestone
10am: Chris Cheah 1st Rick Barrington-Knight 2nd
Sidespeople: 8am:
10am:
Flowers: Kerrie Anne Cousins (?)
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Don’t throw out your Christmas cards! Put them into the bag in the foyer for Ruth’s recycling!

TRADING TABLE NEXT WEEK

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THE INTINCTION CUP

A number of people suggested we should abandon the “Intinction Cup” and return to our former practise of using two large chalices for

the administration of wine at Holy Communion. The suggestion is that those concerned about passing on or catching infection have the option of dipping or intincting their bread in one of the cups or simply not taking the wine. My belief in the antiseptic nature of the alcohol combined with the silver of the cup has been confirmed by a number of sources. An immunologist speaking to the Brisbane Synod said that it is more likely that we would be "killed by a flying duck" than catching infection this way.

There is an element of faith involved here – we are participating a sacrament of the Lord Jesus Christ not just a bottle of coke! (When I was young we showed our trust in each other by either wiping or not wiping the bottle of coke we shared.) The whole point of sharing the cup is (a.) An expression of our unity with Christ and (b.) an expression of our unity and trust in each other as the Body of Christ.

Be reassured that receiving the sacrament in only one kind (bread or wine) is sufficient! In some traditions the priest takes a small piece of the host (bread) in the wine and takes communion in both kinds on behalf of those who simply take the bread. If we have a concern that we have an infection that we may pass on then it should be our responsibility to decide how to receive the wine.

I propose to continue our trial of the small intinction cup for a time but my belief is that we should return to the two chalices. If and when that happens we have these options:
a. Receive the wine by sipping from the cup.
b. Intinct (dip) your bread – touch only a tiny corner with wine.
c. Do not take the wine at all. In this case you may take the cup and hand it back to the priest or minister to indicate sharing.

It is probably best if very young children do not take the wine until some training has been given.

Weekly Offering Required $1565
Offerings banked 19/1/04 Envelopes and Loose $566.60 plus EFT $320
Pandora's $331.10 Donation $100 Tea Money $149.50

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Sunday 1st February 2004
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

Jeremiah 1: 4-10
Psalm 71: 1-6 APBA p.293
1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Luke 4: 21-30

Hymns: TIS 631 (t153), 534, 632 (at sermon), 630, 670
Organist (10.00am): Meg Colwell
At Holy Communion Meg will play, "Mortify us with thy Grace" chorale by J. S. Bach adapted by Walter Rummel.

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From Rob

Hi Everybody!

Next week will be the fifth anniversary of my induction at St Philip's. I am pleased that some of the original congregation are still here! It is great also to see so many new faces and to have such a great gathering of young families and children. My hope is that we can build a community of faith which is truly representative of the range of ages in our society. The challenge before us is to include and care appropriately for the children and families and provide meaningful worship for all ages. I aim to gather the families with young children together to work out the best to help them participate in our worship and parish life. Part of this will mean finding someone to take over the preparation of the children's activities boxes which Janet Brian Davis has set up, and possibly helping the children with other

aspects of their participation.

I must also say, how good it is to feel so at home and hopeful for the future at St Philip's! This is the longest stay I have had in any parish and just getting to know people and develop a level of understanding and care has been a blessing to me, and I hope to others. There is always room for improvement and I welcome advice and discussion about the ways we can grow together.

One of the successes has been "Pandoras at O'Connor " which celebrated one year of operation yesterday with a lunch at the Rectory. Thanks to "Parish Businesswoman of the Year" Sandra Lamerton and the dedicated staff (not forgetting Pandora herself) about $8150 has been raised to develop parish buildings. The other (more important) benefits of Pandora's have been in the making of new friends and meeting members of our local community. Will those who attended the Pandora's at O'Connor first anniversary staff luncheon please say after me "For what I have already eaten, Lord make me truly thankful. Amen!" That should cover me for omitting to say grace.

The parish Annual General Meeting will follow the 10.00am Eucharist on 29th February. At this meeting we will consider the reports of the various activities of St Philip's including the Treasurer's report and discuss any issues which need to be faced for the future. The meeting also marks the handing over from the 2003 to the 2004 Parish Council. We will need to have a couple of elections for a Synod representative and Parish Councillor. Please make a commitment to attend the AGM.

Today's gospel reading follows on from that of last week and we hear the response to Jesus of the home town crowd in Nazareth. The story sets the tone for the theme of Luke's gospel where rejection by his own people leads to the teaching about God going beyond the people of Israel to find faith among the gentiles. Jesus mentions Elijah and the widow of Zarephath and Elisha and Naaman the Syrian as examples of faith beyond Israel. The second reading is that famous section of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians about love. It was clearly inserted to emphasize the importance of love as one of the "higher gifts" with faith and hope. It is indeed worth pondering but should not be taken in a simplistic way. It shows love to be tenacious and strong!

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The Departed: Stanley R. Morton (d.31/1/99), Jean Olivette Cousins (d.3 1/1/87) Douglas Benjamin Hobson, priest (d.1/2/69)
The Saints: John Chrysostom, bishop of Constantinople & teacher (d.407), Thomas Aquinas, theologian (d.1274); Charles, king of England (d.1549)
TODAY'S ROSTER:
Morning Tea: Barrington-Knight/Gowty Family
Readers:
8am: John Girdlestone
10am: Chris Cheah 1st Rick Barrington-Knight 2nd
Sidespeople:
8am: John Girdlestone
10am: Roger Sharp & Chris Cheah
Flowers: Kerry Anne Cousins

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Monday: Rob's Day Off
Tuesday to Friday: 9am Morning Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer
Tuesday: 10.30am Kankinya HC
12.30pm Wardens meeting
Wednesday: 10.00am Holy Communion
Friday: 10am-1pm Pandora's Open
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SUNDAY 8th February 2004 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion
Readings: Isa: 6: 1-8 (9-13)
Psalm 138
1 Cor: 15: 1-11
Luke 5: 1-11

Rosters:
Morning Tea: Volunteers needed for Morning Tea Roster,!!! Sign up today
Readers 8am: Rhonda Evans
10am: Beryl Gowty 1st Ann Munro 2nd

Sidespersons:
8am: John Cunliffe
10am: Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe
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TRADING TABLE TODAY AFTER 10.00AM EUCHARIST

Farewell Drinks for Beryl and David Gowty.

The Cousins invite everybody to drinks at 15 Hobbs St. O'Connor on Sunday 22 February from 5 to 7pm. Dress is tropical in keeping with their South Sea destination. Please rsvp to 6247 4928 by 20 February to assist catering.

Parish Hall New Security Arrangement

The security system has been upgraded. The procedure now is:
1 . The alarm needs to be disarmed
instructions are available.
5. It is no longer possible to move around the kitchen with the alarm on.

A message from Peter Brandon back in the USA

We miss you, your family, and the wonderful community at St. Philips! The return flight back was safe and relatively fast but boy oh boy was the arrival rough! We arrived to no heat, no phone, no boxes, and no cars. With 15 degree temperatures we needed the prayers thick and fast. We were very miserable for about a week, though we persisted in getting the heat back on, a phone line, cars unstuck from ice, and getting our boxes from the "Express" (ha ha!) Air Freight Cargo Company in Canberra. Please pass on our greetings

and warmest wishes to all at St. Philips. Providence willing, we will return to Canberra and see you again.

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Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Peter and the fish

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Isa 6: 1-8 (9-13)
- Psalm 8 APBA p.119
- 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
- Luke 5: 1-11

Hymns: TIS 132, 86 for psalm), 464, 598, 554
Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everybody!

Aaah!!! Summer is here at last! These days in the high thirties remind me of my childhood summers in Adelaide where for days on end the temperature would be this hot with little respite at night. Fortunately we lived near the beach at Somerton Park, but we allowed the visitors use of the beach in the day, and we went swimming very early and in the evening. It was a great life and these baking hot day's bring it all back to me! Through the day we would close windows and curtains and keep as cool as possible in front of the fan. (Air conditioning was a luxury for the idle rich.) Of course after a week of hot weather the house would heat up and there was no escape except in the evenings when people would

move their TV sets out onto the front lawn. We would walk to the beach and see TV after TV (black and white of course) tuned to one of the three channels available. Aaah! What memories. Or have I got heat stroke?

The Multicultural Festival is upon us adding to the many outdoor summer concerts with an amazing array of productions and performers. I continue to ponder how fortunate we are to live in a stable and peaceful society and where we can discover something of the wonderful richness of cultures other than our own. I am sure that it is the fear of losing one's culture with what seems to be an Americanisation or at least a Westernisation of the world which is partly responsible for growing nationalism and even terrorism. It is unfortunate with the international movements of business trade and technology that cultures are often affected. It is heartening to have so many cultural traditions on display and to see even the revival of cultural traditions to preserve them from extinction. I am always encouraged to hear of our own aboriginal people reviving cultural understanding.

We continue to hear the fallout over the reasons for going to war in Iraq and it baffles me that there seems to be gaps emerging even between the intelligence agencies in the USA. I am wondering if the revealing of Janet Jackson's breast at the Superbowl game was deliberately arranged to get peoples minds off weapons of mass destruction. My other theory is that it was a planned move by the women of America to divert the attention of men from football to what is really important the cost and quality of women's clothing!!! (This would never happen to an item from Pandora's)

As we continue through Epiphany we find Jesus the carpenter's son giving fishing lessons.... to a fisherman!! Yes Peter, like all of us, needs to find out that we are sometimes called to do things differently even when we think we know. The event leads Peter to an awareness of his own weakness and sin. Still --- Jesus calls him with all his frailty to follow and to be an agent for the Kingdom of God.

Rob Lamerton

WE PRAY FOR:
Those in need of healing: Zara Mann, Elizabeth Sillano, Zana (in Baxter Detention Centre), Sarona, Irene Keast, Rowan Gray, Merv

McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase, also Malvina, Mark and Kimberley.
The Departed: Gudrun Else Whalley (d. 2/2/2000), Sydney Henry Bovis (d. 3/2/93), Harry Victor Cousins (d. 3/2/74)
The Saints: The Saints: Anskar, missionary bishop in Sweden (d. 865); Martyrs of Japan, crucified at Nagasaki, (d. 1597)

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Psalm 1
1 Cor: 15: 12-20
Lk 6:17-26

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Break the silence Bring northern Uganda to the world's attention.
In memory of Mohammed Mussa Nazari http://members.optusnet.com.au/hazara/mussa.htm
Death of a returned asylum seeker.
The struggle of the people against power is the struggle of memory against forgetting. - Milan Kundera, Czech author

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Sunday 15th February 2004
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Sermon (on the plain?)

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

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Readings:

- Jer 17: 5-10
- Psalm 1
- 1 Corinthians 15:12-20
- Luke 6: 17-26

TIS 610, 75 (for psalm), 706, 526, 608.
Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes

Soloist today: Alison Knight

Introit: "His eye is on the sparrow"
During Communion: "I'll walk with God"
Recessional: "There is a Balm in Gilead"

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

Praying for people and situations can be like walking through the dark without a torch. We are not quite sure which way. to go and often how to pray! Elizabeth Sillano who has been on our list for prayer for some weeks has been cleared of the return of her breast cancer following surgery. Elizabeth tells me she will not need radiotherapy or chemotherapy and after a rest will resume her normal round. We give thanks to God for Elizabeth's progress. Unfortunately, Elizabeth's mother Ruth Horn has had some serious falls and will need more intensive care. We keep her in our prayers. We have also been praying for Malvina, Mark and Kimberley, friends of the Brian Davis'.
Unfortunately, the family has split up but we should not blame God for that! It may be that God has eased some of the pain for them and given them the ability to move ahead. Prayer seems to have a very varied effect but it is important to maintain it and to seek God's wisdom for each situation. It is also important to know the situation anti have some idea how exactly we should pray and when we

should give thanks.

Please remember the Annual General Meeting on 29th February at 11.00 am or thereabouts! Reports to be presented should be in this week for printing so that they can be distributed next weekend.

The contrasting fortunes of those who are blessed and those who face woe are mentioned by Jesus in his "Sermon on the plain" as he addresses his disciples. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or hated will find blessing through their trust in God, whereas the wealthy, the full, those laughing and favoured will find their relationship with God empty and "woe-full" because they have trusted not in God but in the fruits of success and greed. What does it say to a society which emphasizes wealth, rich food, success and popularity?

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SUNDAY 22nd February 2004 Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion
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Psalm 37: 1-11, 40-41
1 Cor: 15: 35-40
Lk 6:27-38

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Tony and Janet Brian-Davis write:

Thanks everyone for your invaluable friendship over the last 3 years that we were parishioners of St Philip's, We miss you all very much and feel very blessed to have been part of such a wonderful family, Thank you and may God bless you all. Here is our new address for those who are travelling through the area who would like a bed for a night or two or a cup of tea (or even a champagne!) We would love to see you all. Janet and Tony Brian-Davis 19 Dalton Ave, Wodonga. VIC. 3690. ph 6059 5073, email: thebds@ozemail.com.au The welcome mat will be at the front door!

Family Barbeque (for young families) on March 14th

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Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Friend? or enemy...

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Genesis 45: 3-11, 15
- Psalm 37: 1-11, 40-41
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- Luke 6:27-38

TIS 26, 58 (for psalm 99), 497, 203, 276.

Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes
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Introit: "Awake my Soul" tune Bedford Street trad.
During Communion: "How Great Thou Art" Stuart K. Hine
Recessional: "The Beautiful Stream" trad.

From Rob

Hi

Welcome to Chris Cheah who is our preacher today!

As we come to the last Sunday of the Epiphany season we find Jesus calling his followers to love even enemies, to be merciful because God is merciful and to be generous, because generosity breeds generosity and allows God's generosity to overflow. The final epiphany of Jesus is that God is loving merciful and generous and that those who are his disciples are to share in the epiphany (making known) of that love mercy, and generosity.

If we take a hard look at ourselves we will no doubt discover some shortcomings in all these areas. Ash Wednesday and Lent give us the opportunity to reflect on what practical action is necessary to make changes. I wonder if we are willing to talk to a friend (or even an enemy!) about what we see as our failings. As a priest I am used to hearing confessions formally and informally and it is an honour to help a person find God's love in the midst of doubts and struggles. Make an effort to come to one of the Ash Wednesday services when

we will have the opportunity to offer to God our sins and failings in the form of lists of issues we need to offer to God or our old Palm Crosses which symbolize our rejection of God. Lists and crosses will be put into the fire to make ashes which express sorrow for sin and awareness of our frail humanity.

Try also in Lent to take up a spiritual discipline such as reading a special book or fasting. Other ways of entering into the spirit of Lent are visiting and caring for someone in need or giving to a worthy cause. At St Philip's we encourage the support of the Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East through the Anglican Board of Mission envelopes. There is also the opportunity to look into a study in a group or by taking a study book for personal meditation. Make Lent a special journey to the cross with Christ.

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PsaIm 91:1-2, 9-16
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Discovering Who We Are!

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- Deuteronomy 26. 1-11
- Psalm 91. 1-2, 9-16
- Romans 10. 4-13
- Luke 4.1-15

Hymns: TIS 464, 644 (for Ps. 91), 499 (t124), 252 (t650)

Organist (10.00am): Shirley Barrett.

From Rob

Hi everybody!

Today, is the last day we will see David and Beryl Gowly for a while! This week the senior Gowty's head for Noumea in New Caledonia where David takes up a position as a Planning Advisor in the Secretariat for the Pacific Community. I imagine Beryl will be a kind of Advisor to the Planning Advisor. We are grateful that they are leaving Sarah and Tim here in Canberra! On last weeks numbers four would be ten per cent of the St Philip's congregation. Two means it is onIy five per cent of the congregation moving to Noumea although it sounds like quite a number will follow on a temporary basis! Have you made your booking yet! It is wonderful that members of St Philip's serve God in such diverse ways. We will miss their faithfulness and energy. (and opinions!). May God give David and Beryl safe travel and fruitful times in David's work and Beryl's cultural quest in Noumea

Others who managed to sneak away, almost un-noticed are Helen and Hardy Palethorpe who have gone to Canada for their son Michael's wedding in Vancouver. It is a relief that with so many going away that at least one is returning! Pat Forbes returns this week with Amanda.

News this week seems to have been filled with reports about "The Passion of the Christ", the movie produced by Mel Gibson and portraying the last hours of Jesus leading to his crucifixion. Some film experts have said it is not great as movies go and that the violence is overwhelming. Some have even questioned the need for the violence! I can only say that they were violent times and the Romans who carried out the penalties of the law were particularly violent in enforcing their rule. Jesus was just one who felt the full force of Roman violence. One has only to read the record of Pilate's rule to find out about a fairly brutal regime. The other violence was done to justice itself by the religious authorities and the crowd of onlookers.

Some years ago with some fellow students we asked if we could perform a short play with some music depicting the crucifixion. The school authorities told us that it was not possible because it would be "too confronting". Surely that is exactIy what it is! All violence is confronting! It is especially confronting when the victim is innocent of any offence! lt seems to me Jesus stands with all the innocent victims of history - Iraqis murdered by Saddam Hussein, victims of bombing in the War on Terror, Palestinians and Israelis, those murdered by the LRA in Uganda last week and many, many more!

The season of Lent offers us an opportunity to journey with Jesus through the wilderness and to wrestle with what it means to be children of God. The ashes of Ash Wednesday signify sorrow for our sins - all the times we have not objected to violence and injustice!

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Genesis 15. 1-12, 17-18
Psalm 27
Philippians 3. 17 - 4. 1
Luke 13. 1-9

Rosters:
Morning Tea: Dimitri and Kate
Readers 8am: John Girdlestone 1st Devin Combs Bowles 2nd
10am: Joyce Webster 1st Washington Oloo 2nd
Sidespersons:
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10am: Hardy Palethorpe
Flowers: None in Lent

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Global Warming: Christian perspectives, Christian responses.

The ACT Churches Council is supporting a workshop at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, 15 Blackall St, Barton, 5.00-9.00pm Tuesday 16th March ($5 waged, 52 unwaged) to enable Christians to develop a better understanding of the Christian issues flowing from our place in Creation, in this case, specifically, "How should we respond to the issue of Global Warming? It will cover issues including: "What is predicted to happen" "What is the Christian basis for our response?" "What effect will it have on communities at risk?" What is the church doing about it'. "What should I do about it?" For more information go to http://www.pastornet.au/envcomm/

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Advanced warning: Jesuit seminar (Fr Frank Brennan)
Thursday 25 March 7.30 pm

A FAIR GO IN AN AGE OF TERROR
Countering the Terrorist Threat to Human Rights and the Australian Identity

A panel discussion will follow Fr Brennan's paper
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Lights along the Road!

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Genesis 15. 1-12, 17-18
- Psalm 27
- Philippians 3. 17 - 4. 1
- Luke 13. 1-9

Hymns: TIS 121, 15 (for Psalm), 212, 539, 554

Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes.

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

This years Parish Camp is only three weeks away and we are well below the required number attending! We really need to know today if you are coming to the camp so that we can confirm or cancel our booking! Please make sure you put your name on the list today for the two nights or day visit.

Last weeks Annual General Meeting was well attended and discussion about the various reports was positive. The issue of a meditation group was again raised after little action last year. Anyone interested in forming a meditation group should talk to me or to Chris Cheah so that we can work out the practicalities and a suitable time.

The Intinction Cup raised the most discussion and it seemed a pretty evenly balanced debate with about half in favour of the present practice and half in favour of a return to the use of the two "common" cups. A survey will be available with some information will help us to come to a decision. Until Jeannette Mc Hugh mentioned this to us last year the issue had never been raised so I am tempted to believe that a return to two chalices would not be so much of a problem. Still I will await the outcome of the survey!

Other issues which raised discussion were the firming up of

proposals for additions and changes to our buildings (toilets, office/music space and Pandora's) the possibility of placement of an Anglicare bin on our site and the need to fill vacancies on Parish Council. Thankfully Devin Combs Bowles has agreed to accept nomination as Warden and Synod Rep. and Denise Manley has offered for nomination as Parish Councillor. Let us finalise these nominations today for the electoral meeting on 21st March at 9.30am.

The combined Parish Council(s) meet on Tuesday at 7.30pm at the Rectory for a handing over meeting.

On this Second Sunday of Lent the gospel reading reports the Transfiguration where Jesus is seen in glorious shining appearance. I often wondered why the Transfiguration story is used here but then I realized that it really marks the beginning of Jesus' journey to the cross. The brightness of the event is an experience the disciples can hold on to on the difficult journey ahead. So often when our faith journey seems difficult we need to hold on to and reflect on those bright moments.

The journey of Lent reflects the journey of life. We need to catch those glimpses of God's glory in life's special moments because they are indeed glimpses into the eternal and give us hope.

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ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED:

Washington Oloo is presently staying at Toad Hall at the ANU but needs rental accommodation when his wife Katherine arrives in a few weeks time. If you can help or know of anyone who can please let me know.

Also needed for a mature age female student from Goulburn - accommodation for two nights per week. Let me know if you can help!

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Can you clean the church one weekend every two months? Some reserves are required for the roster! Let Rob know for rostering!

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Sunday 14th March 2004, Third Sunday in Lent

Teaching about Stuff

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Isaiah 55: 1-9
- Psalm 63.1-9
- 1 Corinthians 10.1-13
- Luke 13. 31-35

Hymns: TIS 560 (t1), 34 (for psalm), 620 (t603), 707, 137
Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes.

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

We can only imagine the mixture of anger and grief in Spain after the bombings in Madrid this week. Our prayers are offered for all who mourn the loss of loved ones and the many who still suffer. We can only hope that those responsible are brought to justice and that the global "War on Terrorism " will depend much more on ordinary people working for justice and peace than on hasty decisions to go to war.

Pauline Amwony tells me that in Northern Uganda the recent atrocities were close to where her family live. There are real concerns for people's safety as the Ugandan Army appear not to be able to control the activities of the LRA. People who would normally be out in the countryside growing crops are forced by fear and encouraged by the army to move to the towns. This means the crops are not being grown to provide for the town populations. As well as this the army are reportedly recruiting young inexperienced men as security for the towns when a concerted commitment of experienced troops is required. We continue to remember Pauline's family and all who are in the midst of these troubles.

Our first reading from Isaiah has wonderful images of God's provision and care for people and is in stark contrast to the tragic and disturbing images from Madrid and Northern Uganda. Psalm 63 set for today is also about God's provision and offers a prayer for deliverance from enemies. Paul in his words to the Corinthians has to remind them that even though God's great protection and

deliverance was experienced by many they still managed to abandon their calling. Paul says that the passing through the sea, the spiritual food and drink are signs of God's grace (sacraments) for the ancient people of God. In his day the Corinthians it seems received the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist but failed to understand that they signified and required an on going relationship of faithfulness.

In the gospel story Jesus, confronted by Pharisees posing as friends of Jesus to warn him, is not fooled and the discussion leads into his thoughts on Jerusalem. The city and the temple in Jerusalem are meant to be a reminder (a sign or sacrament) of God's presence, provision and care for the people. It has become however the place where God's messengers the prophets are rejected and killed. How easy it is to lose sight of our true calling!

As we reflect in Lent on the calling of our baptism - to be disciples, open to God's Spirit, - and as we receive the sacrament of bread and wine in this Eucharist may we continue to remember the generosity of God's provision and care. In the Eucharist the fruit of the earth is changed by human effort into bread and wine and then into the sacrament of Jesus' life given - God's generous provision protection and care!

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SUNDAY 21 MARCH 2004 Fourth Sunday in Lent

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- Psalm 32
- 2Corinthians 5.16-21
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"Church and Civil Society: A Theology of Engagement"

will be launched by the Primate, Archbishop Peter Carnley, on 18 March (4.15pm) at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture. All welcome RSVP to Sue Leppert. ph. 6230 5113 or sue.leppert@anglican.org.au.

From the Palethorpes (Helen and Hardy)

We are having the most wonderful adventures in Mexico. We are at present in Creel in the Copper Canyon in northern Mexico and have spent two days driving roads you wouldn't believe to get to a little town in the bottom on the canyon. We have encountered many of the

local inhabitants, the Tarahumara Indians who live right through the canyon and walk or run wherever they go, often carrying heavy loads. This afternoon we take the train to Chihuahua and then onto Mexico City. Whether we'll get home alive is still a question. It's a challenge getting around as very few people speak English and our ten words of Spanish is hardly enough to get us by.

Extra notices on the web edition!

(Mostly from the notice board in the porch.)

Saint Patrick's Day Ecumenical Service

The Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, in conjunction with the Canberra Friends of Ireland Society, warmly invite you to the Chapel, 15 Blackall Street (corner of Kings Avenue), Barton 12:30 pm-1:30 pm, Wednesday, 17 March 2004 Celtic music, poetry and prayers.
Oration: Mr Jack Waterford, Editor-in-Chief, The Canberra Times
Homily: Reverend Professor James Haire, Executive Director, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture; President, National Council of Churches in Australia

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Hi Everybody!

The bombings in Madrid had unfortunate repercussions in Canberra with the differences of interpretation of the events becoming more public than was really necessary. It would seem to me that Australian Federal Police Commissioner Mick Keelty is entitled to an opinion even if that opinion differs from that of the government or even if that opinion proves to be incorrect. The whole untidy mess was created by people believing their opinions to be "right " and having to justify them in front of an eager news media! Surely the media would have had far less to say if a few more politicians had simply said that it was not the way they saw things and "No further comment ". I also believe that the AFP Commissioner must have some knowledge of the situation and who knows he may prove to be right! After all we are trying to interpret the minds of people whose whole motivation is to confuse and terrorize! At a time when Australians are thinking about the possibility of terrorism in our own country the last thing we need is for the politicizing of the subject and the undermining of those whose task it is to fight it.

Today, is being celebrated as "Harmony Day " by many people! A number of events have been held this week to observe "Harmony Week" and it seems appropriate to be reading about reconciliation in our readings. The wonderful story of the "Prodigal Son " is one of the famous stories Jesus told and its theme of reconciliation between father and son points to the openness of God to all who seek Divine forgiveness and healing. Some of you will recall that we sent about $300 to help restore the Kuraby Mosque (in Qld. after it was bombed

a couple of years ago. Today they are celebrating Harmony Day with an open day at the mosque.

The context in which Jesus told the prodigal son story is important. We find that it was told to the Pharisees and scribes who were grumbling and saying about Jesus 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.' The story follows those about the lost sheep and the lost coin which speak of the owner taking action to look. Jesus then follows up with this one which emphasizes the need for repentance (the son becoming aware of his failure and deciding to return home) and the warmth of the welcome by God (the Father in the story). It is a reminder not to write people off God is far more gracious and merciful than ever we humans are!

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Jim and Pat Sleeman who have lived just along Macpherson Street for about 50 years and were founder members of St Philip's are moving to Brindabella Gardens Jim tells me they have an electric organ to dispose of. Anyone interested?

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- John 12:1-8

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Footwashing

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- Psalm 126
- Philippians 3:3-14
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Hymns: TIS: 590 (Tune Scarlet Ribbons), 177 (tune 514), 586, 599 (tune ii), 547
Organist (10.00am): Meg Colwell
after the sermon Linda sang the Sydney Carter song "Judas and Mary"
[words are on the Lenten Calendar for this Fifth Sunday in Lent.]

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

While some of us are taking it easy on our Parish Camp at the Greenhills Conference Centre and reflecting on future directions for our parish community, there will I trust, still be a band of faithful worshipers at St Philip's! I'm sure you will make Ken Batterham welcome as he presides at the Eucharist and preaches today. I'm also confident that you will value his ministry in my absence! Ken was ordained while still employed in the Public Service and after moving out of that work has served in a number of parishes and ministries. Presently Ken is R.A.N. chaplain at HMAS Harman.

I am grateful to Linda Anchell for staying behind to assist with the worship at 10.00am. I must also point out that Linda is our Website Manager! I am sure she would value your insights about the site and some thoughts about what else could be included. If you have not done so please get onto the Internet and click onto http://www.acay.au/~stphil to find out about us. You can also look up last weeks sermon (just in case the press misquote me!). Some people have had difficulty logging on to the website because somehow the address was "Lost in Translation ". The little dash before 'stphil' should be a squiggle (top key left side of your keyboard). Thanks Linda.'

Well I finally got around to seeing "The Passion of the Christ " and mostly I thought it was a good portrayal of the events surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus. There were some parts I thought were a little melodramatic. The scene in the Garden of Gethsemane in a very physical struggle about his task was I thought overdone as well as the torment of Judas. I did not think it was anti Semitic but then I have never blamed any particular ethnic, religious or racial group for the death of Jesus. What it showed was the way in which evil can take hold -- self interest, weakness, political expediency and plain old mob rule. In the movie the scourging of Jesus seemed to me to be enough to kill him without having to face the cross as well! There were other little touches which did not match the scriptural record or historical knowledge but generally I thought it would give most people a better insight into the crucifixion story.

This week's gospel pictures Jesus drawing near to Jerusalem. At Bethany, Jesus eats with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. The pure emotion of this story is powerful. Mary's love is a mixture of gratitude for her brother's life restored, grief for the danger facing Jesus and I think of her own feelings for her friend. It proves to be a sign of what is to come because Mary has grasped what it means to be a disciple and washes feet even before Jesus does so with the twelve. It also points to the death of Jesus as the ultimate service of one who "lays down his life for his friends". Is John in his version of the gospel saying that Mary has come to understand what the others do not?

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SUNDAY 4 APRIL 2004 Passion (Palm) Sunday in Lent

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7-30pm St John Passion, (JS Bach), presented by CAMRA and St Philip's - admission $15 each

Readings:

- Isaiah 50:4-9a
- Psalm 31:9-18
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Luke 22:14-23

Rosters:
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Readers 8am: Devin Comb Bowles 1st; John Girdlestone 2nd
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Flowers: None in Lent

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- 4 April, Palm Sunday
    - 8am Holy Communion
    - 10am Eucharist and procession in the courtyard,
    - 7-30pm St John's Passion - admission $15 (see CAMRA St John Passion)
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READERS NEEDED

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CLEANING ROSTER

Is out now! Please Collect!

Weekly Offering Required $1565
Offerings banked 22/3/04 Envelopes and

Loose $565.50, EFT $320 Pandora's
$221.15 Wedding $200

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Sunday 4th April 2004, Fifth Sunday in Lent

Hosanna!

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Isaiah 50:4-9a
- Psalm 31:9-18
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Luke 22:14-23

Hymns: TIS: 333, 279, 231, 341 (v.1-4,7), Song Sheet
Organist (10.00am): Robyn Holmes
Soloist today: Alison Knight
Alison will lead us in Psalm 31
At Communion: "Bread is Blessed and Broken" - Iona Community
Recessional: "God be with You"

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

Our parish camp last weekend was great fun and listening to talks by Archbishop Rowan Williams (Archbishop of Canterbury) provided us with some great discussion about aspects of "community". Now just before people get excited about having the Archbishop of Canterbury at our parish camp I had better explain. We didn't! Instead we listened to CDs of his talks available on the Internet. We did have Chris Cheah and Jeannette McHugh leading and guiding meditations as well as Stephen Palethorpe informing us about the Diocesan Environmental Commission and stirring discussion about being an environmentally friendly Christian community. The food and accommodation were as usual of a high standard and quite a number of day visitors added to the numbers. A special thanks to Janine Studholme for her work in organizing the camp! We are convinced that the annual camp can help build our sense of community and so another one is scheduled for 27th-29th May 2005.

Today begins Holy Week as we think about Jesus' ride into Jerusalem and then within a very short time his being led to the cross. The two are powerfully brought to life and remembered in our worship today. But why? For a long time this day only recalled the ride into

Jerusalem and the crucifixion was left to Good Friday. It seems that the purpose of today is to hold the twin themes of welcome and rejection together and give us the opportunity over three years to hear the story from the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke with their special emphasis. This leaves the wonderfully dramatic version from John's gospel for Good Friday! The stories of the crucifixion of Jesus are described as his "passion" because "passio" is Latin for suffering. I suppose the word might also describe the immense feeling of the story.

We will of course have the benefit of the J.S. Bach presentation of John's version "St John Passion" tonight as well! This has been a major undertaking by Colin and Pat Forbes and CAMRA with many extras. It is a wonderful production expressing in musical form the drama of the story.

The combination of the themes of welcome and rejection by very much the same crowd remind us that it is easy to be a part of the winning side and join the parade but when the call of God challenges us with a more difficult path it is easier to stay with the "winning" side. The crucifixion stories are not anti Semitic, however the context of their writing meant that the writers reflected badly on the Jewish authorities and the negativity of the crowd. To participate in the crowd responses as we read the Passion is a telling experience and challenges us to wonder where we might have stood on that day and how we respond today. Do we welcome or reject the way of the Christ?

Rob Lamerton

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7.00pm Passover and Eucharist
Friday: 12.00-3.00pm Good Friday Devotions

Saturday: 10am-12noon Clean up around the Church

Pandora's at O'Connor will be closed for the Easter weekend

SUNDAY 11th APRIL 2004 Easter Day

6.00am Lighting of the New Fire
7.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Acts 10.34-43
- Psalm 118,1-2, 14-24
- 1 Corinthians 15.19-26
- Luke 24.1-12

Rosters:
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Morning Tea: 10am Washington OIoo & Margaret Woodbridge

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Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

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Tenebrae at All Saint's Ainslie on Tuesday 6th April at 8.00pm

Also includes Allegri's "Miserere" and the "Tenebrae Responses" by Victoria. Tenebrae means darkness and reflects the darkness of Christ's death.

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"Passover" Dinner

Please put your name on the list if you plan to come to the Passover dinner. If you can assist with catering please indicate in the space provided.

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Sunday 11th April 2004, Easter Day

He is Risen!

- 6.00am Lighting of the New Fire
- 7.00am Holy Communion
- 8.00am 9.45am Celebration Breakfast
- 10.00am Sung Eucharist & Baptism of Zara Claire Mann

Greeting:
Priest:The Lord be with you.
Response:And also with you.
Priest: Christ is risen, Alleluia!
Response:The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!
The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Choir: To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Alleluia!
This is the day that the Lord has made, Alleluia!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it, Alleluia!

Hymns: TIS: 370, 74 (for psalm), 395, 393, 242

Organist (7.00am and 10.00am): Colin Forbes
Soloist today: (10.00am) Rob Clayton
Rob will lead us in the psalm.
At Communion: "Easter" the first of five Mystical songs
By R. Vaughan Williams. Words by George Herbert

Readings:

- Acts 10:34-43
- Psalm 118.1-2,14-24
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From Rob

Hi Everybody!

We come today to the great celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus. The one who was put to death is risen! We share in his resurrection through our faith and baptism! Today celebrates the new life that God gives life that conquers all the worst that can happen and promises life beyond death. May we celebrate this day with hope and joy and may the Risen Lord be present to us always!

In baptism we recall Jesus' own baptism and dramatically act out the themes of dying and rising! We also recall the liberation of God's people through the Red Sea! It is a great joy to celebrate the baptism of Zara Claire Mann in our midst at 10.00am today. Over the last few years we have been blessed with Leighton and Ruth 's friendship and love and it was a special joy to have little Zara born into our parish family. In a short time she has become a very popular little person! We welcome Leighton's brother Stephen with Anne and sons Michael and Alex, as well as Ruth's mother Beryl. Sarah Gowty and Christine Cargill (in U.K.) are Zara's sponsors. We pray for Zara in her baptism and in her walk with God. Leighton and Ruth have included a beautiful prayer for Zara in the baptism booklet

Also today we remember Marge Wright and give thanks to God for Marge's ministry among us in years past. We welcome Noel and members of the Wright family as we dedicate a candle stand for the paschal candle in memory and in thanksgiving for Marge.

Our prayers are also offered for Ben and Fiona Dyer as they await the birth of their second child. A brother or sister for Sian! May God keep them all in good health and give the little one a safe arrival into this world.

The gospel reading from Luke tells of the empty tomb, the men in dazzling clothes, Mary and the other women terrified, the unbelief of the apostles and the amazement of Peter but NO risen Jesus! The appearances follow and seem to have an increasing intensity until Jesus is "carried up into heaven".

Whereas the crucifixion stories show remarkable similarity the resurrection appearances are not able to be so clearly defined or "pinned down " because they are much more individual personal and subjective. We might think of our own experience of resurrection! The resurrection does not make Christ's ministry a thing of the past, instead it is a handing on of that ministry to the church!

The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Rob Lamerton

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St Mark's Day Lecture - (Jean Vanier of L'Arche!)

The next Public Lecture – St Mark's Day Lecture - is jointly sponsored by St Mark's National Theological Centre, the Australian Catholic University and L'Arche Australia and will be held at the Llewellyn Hall at the School of Music, ANU, Childers Street, Acton

On
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CAMRA GARAGE SALE SATURDAY 24th APRIL!

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COMMON GROUND: PEACE ON OUR LAND - INTERFAITH

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SUNDAY 18th APRIL 2004

8.00am and 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Acts 5:37-32
- Psalm 118:14-29
- Rev. 1:4-8
- John 20:19-31

Rosters:
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Peace Be With You

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Readings:

- Acts 5:37-32
- Psalm 118:14-29
- Rev. 1:4-8
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Hymns: TIS: 387, 609, 239, 466

Organist at10.00am: Meg Colwell

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

We come today to the Sunday known as Low Sunday! After the fun and excitement of Easter Day there is usually a lower attendance and a quieter feel to this Second Sunday of Easter mostly because the crowds who observe the Easter event have stayed at home. The whole point of the continuing Easter season (the forty days until Ascension) however makes the point that the resurrection of Christ is an ongoing process rather than a "one off' event! In fact we leave the Paschal Candle in a visible position at the front of the church to remind us of the Lord's ongoing presence. After Ascension Day the candle continues to burn at the font to remind us of the (invisible) presence of Christ among us.

We continue to celebrate the Resurrection of Christ in the Easter season as we reflect on the stories of his appearing to the women and the disciples. These appearances are so diverse and often mysterious ranging from the very physical to the almost unrecognisable Lord. All I can say is that the early believers were profoundly aware of Christ with them in a whole array of circumstances.

There are those who find it difficult believing in a physical resurrection of Jesus. One person said to me this week that I would think she was not a Christian because she could not believe in a physical resurrection! I had to reassure her that the theories about the nature of the resurrection have been circulating amongst scholars for centuries. I hope we can have a diversity of views and can be informed and challenged by the views of others.

I wonder if God wants us to be divided over details of a resurrection we will never fully understand or if we would be more faithful to God by giving an experience of resurrection to the world around us. By helping people up from poverty and homelessness from broken relationships, by bringing peace and healing to those in difficulty and war is surely the way. The fact is that resurrection follows sacrifice

and always requires sacrifice for new life and hope to begin. Jesus (and many who have followed his path) realised that nothing would change until drastic action was taken and sacrifice was made. There can be no cheap answer, and no resurrection without sacrifice. We notice in today's gospel that the Risen Christ still bears the scars. Suffering, sacrifice and resurrection are intertwined!

I just want to conclude by asking the question "When will the Palestinians stop losing ground?" With the US. president this week endorsing the Israeli plans to hold on to land gained in the 1967 war and leave settlements in the West Bank. Is it any wonder Palestinians turn to violence and terrorism when they become so frustrated at the physical and political violence and terrorism done against them over generations!

Rob Lamerton

A short note (and survey) on intinction was also distributed with the newsletter this week. The note is here as a text document at Intinction.rtf

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St Philip's Day Parish Dinner

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Saturday 1 May, 2004. BYO drinks and a main course or dessert to share.
Please place your name on the list in the foyer, see you there!

Induction at All Saints Ainslie

The Rev'd Dr. Sarah MacNeil will be inducted as Rector of All Saints at 6.00pm on Saturday 1st May. All Welcome! RSVP 23rd April to 62487420. (I will be attending then returning for the St Philip's Day Dinner.)

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SUNDAY 25th APRIL 2004

8.00am and 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Acts 9.1-6
- Psalm 30
- Rev. 5.6-14
- John 21.1-19

Rosters:
Cleaning: Rhonda Evans
Morning Tea: 10am Ann, Bridget & Claire Munro
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Sunday 25th April 2004, Third Sunday of Easter

So Many Fish!

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Acts 9:1-20
- Ps 30
- Rev 5:6-14
- Jn 21:1-19

Hymns: TIS: 202, 18 (for Psalm), 382, 585, 221

Organist at 10.00am: Colin Forbes
Soloist at 10am Pat Forbes

From Rob

Hi Everyone!

I'm not quite sure where to start, however it is ANZAC day and many people will be gathering around the country to remember the many lives sacrificed to protect Australia and New Zealand. I always hope that the purpose is NOT to glorify war but to reflect on the ways of peace and to ponder the horrific cost of war at all levels. As we do we must remember not only the Australian service men and women at risk in Iraq and other places at this time but the great and tragic cost to the civilian population, particularly the children.

The good news this week is the birth of Catriona Morgan to Fiona and Ben Dyer. What a blessing! Catriona was born early on Thursday morning and both Fiona and baby Catriona are fit and well. They may even be home already! Congratulations Ben and Fiona! Sian is also excited to have a baby sister!

I mentioned last Sunday the loss of one of our dear and faithful original members of St Philip's, Irene Keast. For many years Irene and Lawrence Keast lived in Miller Street and raised their family. After Lawrence died in 1990 Irene moved to Monash but still continued to worship at St Philip's travelling over by bus. Irene was an organised and very private person who maintained great dignity, courage and faith to the very last. We give thanks for her life and ministry and commend her to God. Irene has provided in her will for the provision of a table for the sanctuary and some new white vestments. Thank you Irene!

This week we welcome Chris Cheah again as our preacher and at 8.00am Devin Combs Bowles begins his ministry as Lay Minister by assisting to administer Holy Communion. Over the next few weeks Devin will be alternating with Elizabeth Allinson at the 8.00am Eucharist as he "learns the ropes". It is really encouraging to have such a good team of Lay Ministers!

The readings this week all tell of people coming to a new and special

understanding of the Lord Jesus. The story of Paul on the road to Damascus is well known and we see him come to the realisation that the risen Christ is present among the believers he is trying at first to persecute. His new relationship with Christ draws him into meeting with the very ones he sought to imprison! The author of the Revelation, John, also makes the connection between the crucified one and the glorified Christ. Peter also comes to a clearer knowledge of Christ risen and present to forgive, restore, and enable for ministry. Remembering that Peter denied Jesus three times we now see him three times affirm his love for the risen Lord.

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SUNDAY 2nd MAY 2004
ST PHILIP'S DAY

8.00am and 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Isaiah 30: 18-21
- Psalm 19: 1-6
- 1Corinthians 15: 1-8
- John 14: 6-14

Rosters:
Cleaning: Dimitri Markotsis
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BYO drinks and a main course or dessert to share.
Please place your name on the list in the foyer or phone Leighton 62608030 to RSVP, see you there!

St Mark's Day Lecture Wednesday 28 April 7.30pm.

Jean Vanier, the Founder of L'Arche and Faith & Light Communities will speak on "A Road to Peace". Jointly sponsored by St Mark's National Theological Centre, the Australian Catholic University and L'Arche Australia The lecture will be held at the Llewellyn Hall at the School of Music, ANU, Childers Street, Acton. Donations will be received for the work of L'Arche.

Induction at All Saints Ainslie

The Rev'd Dr. Sarah MacNeil will be inducted as Rector of All Saints at 6.00pm on Saturday 1st May. All Welcome! RSVP 23rd April to 62487420. (I will be attending then returning for the St Philip's Day Dinner.)

ANU CHAPLAINCY

The ANU Chaplaincy has now established a comprehensive program involving Christians, Muslims, Jews and Hindus and is continuously working on improving its services to students and staff. This is a truly exciting opportunity to become involved in the further development of a truly relevant chaplaincy at the ANU. Contact Arto Avakian (Chaplaincy Team leader) by email avakian@netspeed.com.au or phone 6286 1394(h) or 6125 4246(ANU)

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Sunday 2nd May 2004,
Saint Philip, apostle and martyr

The Way, the Truth and the Life!

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion
Readings:

- Isaiah 30: 18-21
- Psalm 19: 1-6
- 1Corinthians 15: 1-8
- John 14: 6-14

Hymns: TIS: 150, 7 (for Psalm 19), 430, 521, 455
Organist at 10.00am: Colin Forbes
Singers today are the CAMRA Scholars
Jacquie Brack, Rob Clayton, Alison Knight and Jeremy Yapp

The scholars sing today:
Introit "Christ is the world's light" v. 1, 2
At Holy Communion: "O taste and see how gracious the Lord is" Ps. 34 and "The Call"
Recessional: "Christ is the world's light" v. 3,4

From Rob

Hi Everyone!

Welcome (at 10.00am) to the CAMRA Scholars Jacquie Brack, Rob Clayton, Alison Knight and Jeremy Yapp. Each year at this time scholarships are awarded to suitable candidates who then perform a number of times at our Sunday worship in return for their modest scholarship payments. In this way the scholars get the benefit of developing their skills and we get the benefit of their voices adding to our worship! Welcome also to Brian White, president of CAMRA (Canberra Academy of Music and Related Arts) who will present the scholarships. Donations to the scholarship fund are always welcome!

We celebrate today our patron saint Philip, apostle and martyr. In the Anglican liturgical calendar May 1st is nominated as St Philip and St James, Apostles and Martyrs. It becomes a little confusing because we overlook James in favour of Philip. The James associated with Philip is the son of Alphaeus and Mary and little is known about him except that he was probably of the house of Levi and a member of the Zealot party. The Zealots sought to overthrow Roman domination and establish a new kingdom of the dynasty of David.

James must have changed dramatically because he was renowned for his holiness before he was stoned to death as a Jewish heretic.

Philip on the other hand appears quite often in the Gospel of John and we get a reasonable picture of him. First of all we see him meeting Jesus in Galilee in chapter one and we are told he comes from Bethsaida (on the northern end of the Sea of Galilee). We also see him telling Nathanael to "Come and See" Jesus. He later appears in the story of the feeding of the five thousand introducing the boy with the loaves and fish to Andrew. Philip also turns up in chapter twelve again as the one who meets the Greeks who want to "see Jesus". In the passage today he is shown as one who has not quite grasped the nature of the relationship between Jesus and the Father.

Philip appears in the lists of the twelve disciples (who become apostles) in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke but John's gospel does not have such lists! Instead John has described Philip and others in the stories about them. We have a picture of one who is a great practical helper and connector of people but who wrestles with the deeper spiritual truths! I'm sure many of us are like that! The story of Philip reminds us that in spite of our misunderstandings and shortcomings we can still be faithful disciples of Christ.

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SUNDAY 9th MAY 2004

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- Acts 11: 1-8
- Psalm 148
- Revelation 21: 1-6
- John 13: 31-35

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Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

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Love, Discipleship and Mother's Day!

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- Acts 11: 1-8
- Psalm 148
- Revelation 21: 1-6
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Organist at 10.00am: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone!

Happy Mothers Day! To all newly appointed mothers, the more experienced mothers, grandmothers and great grandmothers, those who have a motherly role! Happy Mothers day! Especially do we give thanks for and remember our own mother today!

I must say it is pleasing to see useful items such as electric drills, planers, sanders and circular saws among the gift suggestions (instead of useless things like cooking dinner, perfume and washing the dishes) for Mother's Day this year! In a time when the male role models are being encouraged in society we come back to recognise the importance of a mother's care.

In the midst of war we find some pretty bizarre things being done! Thanks to the wonders of digital cameras, email and the internet we discover yet another aspect of war the humiliation and mistreatment of prisoners. I'm sure we all knew it happened but thanks to some thoughtful soldiers we now have pictures! I'm sure Lynndie England the soldier seen in at least two of the pictures really knows now what it means to be "framed" At least the person behind the camera didn't appear in newspapers around the world! (sadly!) We are all aware of the more obvious aspects of war but this is like the part of the iceberg hidden below the surface along with the many other issues such as the suffering of children who are orphaned and injured I still wonder if we could weigh up the positives of the war against

the negatives which side would tip the balance?

In our readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter we have a kind of 'flashback' back' in the gospel reading to the setting of the last supper. Jesus is addressing the disciples after Judas has gone out into the night. Why don't we have further resurrection appearances? The answer is that the weeks of Easter are a time of the transition from the earthly ministry of Jesus through his resurrection and 'going away' at ascension to the presence of Christ among the disciples as Holy Spirit. In the gospel Jesus speaks about God's "glory" in the Son of Man (referring to his death), then about his going away, the new commandment about love and then how being a disciple is connected with love "as I have loved you". The words are a kind of handing over of ministry from Jesus to the disciples after he had given the example of love and service in the washing of their feet. The story of Peter in Acts ch. 11 points to the next stage of that love spreading to others via the disciples and the Spirit

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- Revelation 21: 10-14, 21:22-22:5
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Please read the Anglicare Update to find out more and give generously. Donations may also be made via the parish or through the Anglicare Envelopes!

We continue the celebration of Easter and the Resurrection of Jesus as we head towards Ascension (20th May) and Pentecost (Sunday

30th.May). As we continue to declare that 'Christ is Risen, Alleluia' we again think back to words of Jesus before his crucifixion. Why? Because what Jesus said in that context points to what was to come for his disciples and to the ongoing experience of believers down through the ages.

Today's gospel records Jesus again speaking about the relationship between love for him and keeping his word. We can see it as expanding and explaining last week's gospel because he goes on to talk about the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send to remind Jesus' followers of what he has said. Loving the Lord and obeying his word opens us up to God's Holy Spirit who stands with us as advocate and also gives understanding of all he has said and done. The peace of Christ is the outcome of all this! Even though he goes away to death and into a new realm of existence his loving presence and peace remain as we are faithful.

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LINEN CLEANING

Also after many years Joyce Webster and Nancye Anderson are on the lookout for someone to take over the care of the altar linen. A training course will be arranged for willing volunteers.

After a few years in use the carpet in Philip's has now been steam cleaned.

Growing Communities Confident in Christ Diocesan Mission Plan

You are invited to attend a Diocesan Forum participate in the development of a Diocesan Mission Plan. Location and date for our forums is:
Canberra May 18th 7.30 - 9.00 pm St Johns Reid

INTINCTION CUP SURVEY

Today is the last day of the survey! Please fill out the pink question sheet to help us work out how best we can administer the Communion Cup. A number of health concerns have been raised by Jeannette McHugh and emailed from Philadelphia USA!!! I have printed them for those who would like to read them.

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Wednesday 26th May is Sorry Day as we commemorate the ongoing Journey of Healing for the aboriginal people of this land. Many people will be coming to Canberra to be present for the unveiling of a national memorial to the many who suffered as a result of the forced removal of children from their families. The memorial has been developed at Reconciliation Place near the National Library after consultation with hundreds of members of the stolen generations, former staff of institutions to which children were removed, and people who fostered or adopted children. There is usually also an observance of Sorry Day at Parliament House on the day. Please keep this event in your thoughts and prayers as people gather. I still believe that this is one of the most important issues for Australians to resolve and bring some healing and unity to our nation.

Today we celebrate the Seventh Sunday of Easter with the

awareness that the risen Christ has now departed the presence of the disciples and ascended to the Father. The weeks of Easter lessen something of the emphasis on the Ascension as a separate event and rather see it as the natural conclusion of the resurrection process. Resurrection and Ascension merge together in one movement heavenward. With the departure of the risen Lord we move the Pascal Candle to the font as a way of saying that he is present but no longer visible. The emphasis of the gospel reading is on Jesus' prayer for the unity of his disciples. That prayer is the prayer Jesus continues to pray for his people in the presence of the Father. The answer to the prayer is of course in the outpouring of his Spirit.

Rob Lamerton.

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

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Next Sunday is Pentecost - Wear something Red (other than underwear please!)

COLIN FORBES - PIANO RECITAL

Featuring the works of Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt, Schumann. Two concerts at Carl Rafferty's Recital Room 7-30pm Friday 28th and 3.00pm Sunday 30th May.
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL BECAUSE SEATING IS LIMITED! Fri $25, Sun $20
PHONE 6249 6067 for BOOKINGS and DETAILS (location)
Also see the CAMRA page for the programme. CAMRA Piano Recital!

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GOD'S NEXT BIG THING

is the tiitle of the book by Scott Cowdell to be launched at St Mark's Theological Centre on Friday 28th may at 7.30pm RSVP to 6273 1572 by Tues 25th May.

GUTTERS AND LEAVES

We will be clearing leaves from gutters today at 4pm! Can you help? (oops, must be done already)

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SUNDAY 30th MAY 2004
Pentecost

8.00am and 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Acts 2:1-21
- Psalm 104:26-36
- Romans 8:14-17
- John 14: 8-17

Rosters:
Cleaning: Lamertons
Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

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Hymns: TIS: 405, 65 (for psalm), 418, 263, 415, "Travel On"

Organist at 10.00am: Meg Colwell

Our singers today are:
Linda Anchell, Rob Clayton, Alison Knight and Jeremy Yapp
Our dancer is: Karinne Campbell

Music from The Scholars and others.
Introit "Come Holy Spirit (Iona); Kyries (Khudaya rhahem kha); during prayers: Thumamima, at communion: Veni Sancte Spiritus; recessional: "Amen, siyaku dumisa! [Asithi]"

Administration of Holy Communion
At 10am a very small cup will be available for intinction (dipping).
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From Rob

Hi Everyone!

Our main story today is taken from the Acts of the Apostles and describes the gift of God's Holy Spirit in fulfilment of tile promise of Jesus "stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high" (Luke 24.49). Although wind and fire are the symbols of Pentecost we are not told exactly what they were but that there was a "sound like the rush of a violent wind" and that tongues "as of fire' rested upon the apostles. As usual humans like to pin down the experience in concrete terms but the element of mystery remains! The gift of tongues in this case is not that of speaking in tongues but of speaking in different languages - it is the reversal of the story of Babel where people are divided by pride and language. Here God overcomes the language barrier and therefore the racial and cultural barrier as well! It is interesting to note that one of the languages is Judean! Why would it be a surprise for them to speak in their native

tongue? It points out that the Jews are also welcome in this new era of God's Spirit! Evidently some very early manuscripts do not have Judea but Armenia!

The outpouring of God's Spirit renews and reinvigorates the mission of the Apostles and the whole story of Acts is about the early Christian believers being driven by the Spirit. Whereas the gospels and especially Luke's gospel are about God's Spirit at work in the life of Jesus we now begin to see God's Spirit at work in the life of the people of God (the Church).

Pentecost (literally "the fiftieth day') was the Greek term for the Feast of Weeks which fell on the fiftieth day after the ceremony of the barley sheaf at Passover. It marked the beginning of the offering of the first fruits of the harvest and in later times the giving of the law by Moses was also commemorated. The gathering of people in Jerusalem would have been for these celebrations. With the giving of Holy Spirit to the Apostles on this day the name Pentecost was adopted to signify this event. It is difficult to tell how the alternative name Whitsunday came into being but it seems to have come from the fact that from an early stage the day was celebrated as a secondary date for baptisms (after Easter) Evidently the Nicene Canons used the name Pentecost for the whole period from Easter to Whitsunday.

How does God's Holy Spirit act in our lives? The best example I could find was in the story of Prof. Graham Clarke, inventor of the cochlear ear implant, who saw his life's work as an expression of his Christian Faith. He saw all that he did in science and life generally as inspired by God. God's Holy Spirit is not just limited to religious ideas but guides, inspires and enables the Christian mission in each of us and as a body of people together.
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Friday night was magnificent! Thank you Colin! [Linda]
see the CAMRA page for the programme. CAMRA

The Leprosy Mission

Dr Grace Warren will be speaking about her 45 years as leprosy surgeon at St John's, REid on THursday 3rd June at 2.30pm. Contact Ruth PErry 6247 6227 or St John's Office 6248 8399

World Wide Day of Prayer for Children at Risk

We are invited to share in the Day of Prayer on Saturday 5th June from 12.30 to 5.30pm at 62 MacLeay St, Turner. A Prayer Walk will take place at 4-30pm. Those who attend are asked to bring a plate of food to share for afternoon tea.
Please contact Joanne Tremayne 0413 310 559.

Speaking of Spiritual Gifts!

Thanks to Hardy, Geneveive, Richard, Sam and Nicholas and to Sandy and Gareth who helped clear the gutters and clean up last Sunday. With blistering speed, we had the job done in an hour and a half!

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8.00am and 10.00am - Holy Communion

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- Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31
- Psalm 8
- Romans 5: 1-5
- John 16: 12-15

Rosters:
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Hymns: TIS: 125, 3 (for psalm), 447, 511, 132 (tune AHB 65ii)

Organist at 10.00am: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone!

It has been a busy week at the Canberra Hospital for members of St Philip's! First of all little Noah James Palethorpe was born at 11.59pm on Sunday evening! We welcome little Noah to the big wide world and congratulate Stephen and Rebecca while celebrating a new baby brother for Elise and Jarrah and grandson for Hardy and Helen. Noah has had something of an uphill battle with the diagnosis of a faulty valve in his heart and he is now off the critical list awaiting surgery at Westmead Children's Hospital. We pray for Noah and Rebecca and Stephen in this anxious time. Fortunately all the other hospital news is good with Zara Mann recovering well after surgery. Elizabeth Allinson is also greatly improved although a little tired. Denise Manley has also recovered well after her knee surgery but is away today at the Dedication of her granddaughter Grace at the Church of Christ.

The terrible events in Saudi Arabia this week where so many people were killed by terrorists in Khobar highlights the importance of oil in the world economies and the dependence on outside workers for the operation of the oil industry there. Following what I said a few weeks ago about the economic issues involved in encouraging terrorism I wonder if the employment of foreign workers grates on the sensibilities of those who are poor and unemployed in Saudi Arabia or if it is just blind hatred of westerners. Although the poor may not have the necessary skills or willingness to fulfil the roles of overseas workers it must still be a source of misunderstanding and disempowerment to see so many foreigners helping to extract the nations oil. The issues it raises for me, however, are largely environmental and point to the even greater need to move to alternative non fossil fuel forms of energy.

Be on the lookout for O'Connor wildlife! We have discovered a possum that uses our toilet and toilet paper! He/she sleeps among

the toilet paper storage in the cupboard and drinks from the toilet bowl and goes to the toilet on the floor! Such behaviour is not appropriate for an Anglican possum so we have had to evict it. Then on Wednesday I found a yabby walking along a footpath near the O'Connor shops in the rain. Needless to say I was amazed but there are witnesses! I returned him/ her to the pond behind the shops.

Today we celebrate the Holy Trinity the wonderful mystery of God, Creator, Word and Spirit of Grace, three persons and yet ONE GOD. No we do not fully understand the nature of God who remains a mystery. All our attempts at language to describe God and efforts to develop symbols for the Trinity sooner or later run into difficulty. The best evidence for the Trinitarian nature of God is our experience of God who is transcendent creator, communicating word, and ever-present breath and fire of grace. Today we celebrate the wonder and mystery of God's completeness…All in All!

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New Publicatioins available!

Copies of the new "Anglican News" and "ABM Partners" are available. They are free! Please take them home to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest!

ST PHILIP'S CAR PARK CLOSURE

The car park will be closed to cars and pedestrians on Monday and Tuesday this week. The car park will be resurfaced and drainage improved and as well a concrete area will be laid in front of Pandora's.

Farewell to Sue Leppert

Friday 11 June at Holy Covenant Parish, Cook, from 6-30pm. Please bring a plate of finger food and BYO drinks. This will be an informal opportunity to farewell Sue as she concludes her role as Executive Director of Anglicare Canberra and Goulburn. Contact 6230 5113 for further information. RSVP appreciated to make arrangements. email: acs@anglicare.org.au

Parish Council Meeting - Wednesday 7-30pm at the Rectory.

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- Psalm 5:1-7
- Galatians 2: 15-21
- Luke 7:36-8.3

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Sunday 13th June 2004
Second Sunday after Pentecost

Her Sins are Forgiven

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- 1 Kings 21:1-21
- Psalm 5: 1-7 APBA p 226
- Galatians 2: 15-21
- Luke 7: 36-8.3

Hymns: TIS: 693, 598, 526, 607

Organist at 10.00am: Lucy Asplin

Administration of Holy Communion
At 10am a very small cup will be available for intinction (dipping).
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From Rob

Hi Everyone

Yesterday I went to Goulburn for the ordination of Trevor Edwards as bishop. It was as usual a grand occasion with clergy and bishops from all parts of Australia in their finest regalia as well as many friends and family and members of parishes. It was the best Cathedral service I have experienced in a long time, relaxed and yet dignified, there were a collection of inspiring hymns and the addition of a singing group with a few modern songs at Communion. The choir and musical director resisted the urge to sing in the usual style and so most choir pieces had some strength. The sermon from Archbishop Peter Watson from Melbourne was very good and clearly delivered. The whole event was so encouraging and inspiring it was well worth the trip.

Now of course we have a new bishop who will be our second Assistant Bishop. Bishop Trevor will be largely responsible for growing communities of faith and enabling parishes to be "Communities Confident in Christ ". We pray for Trevor and Ruth Edwards as they follow their new calling from within their base at St Matthew's in Wanniassa.

One archbishop who was not in attendance yesterday was Ian George who after much controversy over the management of allegations of child sexual abuse resigned from his position as Archbishop of Adelaide. It seemed a sad end for a man who has served in so many ways and who was only weeks away from retirement. The allegations did not relate to the archbishop but there were serious questions about how the allegations were handled. Im disappointed for him because I always found Ian George a wise and helpful guide on spiritual and pastoral matters when he was Assistant Bishop in this diocese.

The events in Adelaide remind us that the issue of child abuse and sexual abuse will not simply go away and that we are to be vigilant at all times to protect the children in our care. We need also in protecting our children need to protect each other from any suspicion by dealing with each other in an open way always ensuring that there are no grounds for accusation. For this reason the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn expects each parish to have a policy on Child Protection. The Parish Council on Wednesday night adopted the Diocesan policy as our parish policy. Please see the item at the top of the next page for details.

Following Pentecost and Trinity Sunday we move into the long season of Sundays of the Pentecost season. As the name suggests these Sundays follow themes about living the Christian life "Christ living in us " under the inspiration and energy of God's Holy Spirit. The theme today ties forgiveness with the need for justice as essential for the Christian life.

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

NOAH JAMES PALETHORPE

It seems the first few weeks of little Noah's life have been pretty trying but the news for now is good. He has come through the operation to repair a faulty heart valve and is off the ventilator and requiring only the basic monitors. His blood circulation and pulse are OK Rebecca tells me he is out of Intensive Care and has moved to the next level Extended Care. Rebecca is able to hold and feed Noah. Stephen and Rebecca with Elise and Jarrah are at Ronald McDonald House and it may be up to a week before they can return to Canberra. I imagine everyone including Noah is very tired but Bec was not showing it. We continue to pray that further ultrasound tests will show the surgery to have been successful however we know that with such problems this is the beginning of a long journey to healing. God Bless you Noah!

"BUILDING SAFE COMMUNITIES OF FAITH": PARISH MINISTRY UNIT CHILD PROTECTION POLICY.

The St Philip's policy is available for you to read on the notice board.

There are also some hard copies available as well as being on the Diocesan website http://www.canberragoulburn.anglican.org
Try to get it at:
http://www.canberragoulburn.anglican.org/html/publications/resources/childp
(It seems to need Internet Explorer. Or should I say that Netscape 7.01 can't read it.)
As well as adopting the policy and displaying it we also agreed to appoint Janine Studholme as our parish contact and training officer and to make known the Diocesan Contact Officers. They are: Dr. Joan Buchanan (Canberra) 02 62815360, The Rev'd Dr. Judy Begent (Wagga Wagga) 02 69224416, Mrs. Penny Lloyd (South Coast) 02 44715212, and Dr. Jeff Sutton (Goulburn) 02 48422651. The leaflet "Break the Silence" is also available.

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Thursday night; meal, study and meditation. ("MSM")

Would those interested in attending come along to the Rectory on Thursday at 6.00pm with some food to share.

St Philip's Car Park

Fortunately God sent some rain on Tuesday night! It showed up some problems with the new car park surface which have now been remedied (we hope!). Unfortunately the surface needs to dry and

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- Galatians 3: 10-14, 23-29
- Luke 8: 26-39

Rosters:
Cleaning: Barbara Dowley
Flowers: Carola Parke

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- Galatians 3: 10-14, 23-29
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Hymns: TIS: 121, 444 (tune 56), 703, 466, 691

Organist at 10.00am: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone

Many of us were pleasantly surprised to discover that little Noah James Palethorpe had arrived home this week! Not home to Canberra Hospital but home to 31 Blackman Street Macquarie! It seems that after examination last Tuesday Noah was given the all clear to head home. Surgeons were happy with the repair work on Noah's heart valve and so with a great sigh of relief Stephen, Rebecca, Elise and Jarrah picked up their little bundle and headed home. Of course Noah will need further treatment for some time to come but for now we say Thanks be to God for the way things have worked out. All being well Stephen and Bec will tell us a bit more at the 10.00am Eucharist today!

Next week will be the last Sunday the Dyers are with us! We are sad to see Ben, Fiona, Sian and Catriona moving away to Horsham VIC. Let us make their last Sunday memorable!

These weeks of the Pentecost season were originally known as the Sundays after Trinity but they are now rightly referred as the Sundays after Pentecost because it is in this time that we reflect on the life of the Church and Christians under the influence of God's Holy Spirit. The general theme of the weeks of Pentecost is "Life with God" and so the liturgical colour is Green, the colour of life! Green is the colour of growth in spring and summer! This presents another problem for us because the whole liturgical system is based on the seasons in the Northern Hemisphere. Green means GO in so many situations so we could see it as a time when we think about Going with God!

Week by week over the next few months until Advent, aspects of our going with God are examined in the readings from the Scriptures.

Last week the themes of faith, forgiveness and justice were the focus. This week the themes of freedom and peace with God are the common thread. Elijah finds freedom from fear and renewed peace of mind to tackle his task Paul speaks of freedom from the rigidity of the Law through faith. 'Legion' the man in the gospel story is liberated completely from his misery in his encounter with God present in Jesus to live out his life with his family. I notice that both Elijah and Legion are enabled to GO BACK! Elijah goes back to do what God has called him to do in bringing to an end the career of the tyrants Ahab and Jezebel. The man Legion is told NOT to go with Jesus but to go back to his home and family to 'declare how much God has done for you'.

So often we are given to believe that it is in leaving home and family and travelling to the ends of the earth to serve God. These stories remind us that often God is saying, "Go back! Get things right where you are! Let your friends and family know how much God has done for you! Bloom where you are planted!" God's grand plan is worked out by many ordinary people fulfilling God's purpose in homes, shops, schools, and offices etc.

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Meal, study and meditation. Thursday night.

Seven of us met together on Thursday to share a meal and talk about the readings set for today. After a short time of meditation and prayer we left for home at about 8.45pm. There is always room for people to join the group! Remember,
Thursday at 6.00pm with some food to share.

Garden Makeover hits St Philips!

The newly concreted area outside Pandora's at O'Connor has been wonderfully improved thanks to some paint and the imagination of Leighton Mann. The old screen, table and book trolleys have been brightened up and a pot plant added to give even more glamour! Thanks Leighton! (P.S. Zara helped).

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SUNDAY 27th JUNE 2004

8.00am and 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14
- Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20
- Galatians 5: 1, 13-25
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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Staying focused - Living by the Spirit!

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Readings:

- 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14
- Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20
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Hymns: TIS: 675, 745, 670, 744 (after communion), 665

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From Rob

Hi Everyone

Today we say farewell to Ben and Fiona Dyer with Sian and Catriona! Although it is always sad to see a wonderful young family moving away there is cause for rejoicing in that they are following God's calling to a new phase in their lives. Having moved a few times myself know how difficult it can be leaving behind friendships developed in special times. Sometimes such friendships even cloud our vision about what is right for ourselves and our family I hope that the love we have for each other is the sort that wants the best for God's people whether they be here or elsewhere. Having heard that Ben had been interviewed for this new position I suppose I was secretly hoping that he would get the job (for his benefit!) but that he would not go (for our benefit!). How selfish of me! Especially when I knew that the move would mean that Sian and Catriona would be closer to at least one set of grandparents. Never having lived close to our children's grandparents has been often difficult for Sandy and for me; as well as a deprivation for the children! My own memories of grandparents reminds me how special those relationships can be!

We thank God for the blessing of having Ben, Fiona and Sian around and the special blessing of waiting with bated breath and celebrating the arrival of little "Cate". We send them on their way rejoicing that a new chapter is opening up for them in Horsham.

The Clergy Conference this week examined the content and wording of the Diocesan Vision and Mission and Core Values. The aim was to help formulate the Diocesan Mission Strategy "Growing Communities Confident in Christ". Once this is finalised the process is to be put

into effect in every parish and ministry unit in this Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn taking into account the tradition and culture of each place. The great thing is that St Philip's Parish Council has plans to discern our Parish Vision/Mission on a Sunday soon. I do hope you will share enthusiastically in this process! We are at present looking for a consultant/facilitator and have a few people in mind but if you know of anyone who may be good at this sort of thing please let me or one of the wardens know!

The readings today appear to have the common theme "Being Committed to The Task " or 'Keeping Our Eye On The Ball"! I had news from Ashton Robinson in Baghdad this week. Ashton is keeping his faith focussed by worshipping with an American Lutheran congregation as well as having contact with Christians of many other traditions. He says 'I am meeting numbers of Arab Christians here: Assyrians, Chaldean Catholics and Copts". Jesus sets his face towards Jerusalem and calls on those who would follow to be committed to the task! Elisha is not distracted from following Elijah to inherit his prophetic role. Paul says, "Live by the Spirit " to maintain relationships and keep focussed on the ways of God.

Rob Lamerton

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Local restaurants would have cause to be concerned at the quality and quantity of food! As well as food to eat, the "spiritual food" shared is excellent! There is always room for people to join the

group! Those bringing food should coordinate with the host! Did you realise that "doof" is "food" backward! Wow!

Anglicare Winter Appeal: Kathleen Ferrier Remembered

Recital Room at Canberra Girls' Grammar School at 3.00pm on Sunday 4th July. Welll known Canberra singer Louise Page accompanied by Bishop Neville Chynoweth and Phillipa Candy, to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of the celebrated British singer Kathleen Ferrier. Afternoon tea will be provided. Tickets $20 for adults and $5 for children. All proceeds going to the Anglicare Winter Appeal. For bookings call Helen Guy on 6286 9897.

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The Departed: Marjorie Lowes (d.28/6/2001); Harold Percival (d. 28/6/2001); Jim Kaye; also Alban, first British martyr (d. about 305), John the Baptist.

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SUNDAY 4th JULY 2004

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Readings:

- 2 Kings 5: 1-14
- Psalm 30
- Galatians 6: 1-18
- Luke 10: 1-24

Rosters:
Cleaning: Dimitri Markotsis
Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

Readers 8am: 1st 2nd
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Sunday 4th July 2004
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Priest today: The Rev'd Jeanette McHugh

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- 2 Kings 5: 1-14
- Psalm 30
- Galatians 6: 1-18
- Luke 10: 1-24

Hymns: TIS: 315, 129, 409, 242

Organist at 10.00am: (showing new talents!) Chris Cheah (with many thanks!)

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At 10am a very small cup will be available for intinction (dipping).
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Rob Lamerton on leave

I will be on leave for two weeks! Jeanette McHugh is presiding at the Eucharist today. Next Sunday 11th July there will be services of Morning Prayer at 8am and 10am and also on Wednesday. In my absence please contact the wardens in cases of emergency. Chris Cheah 6236 3444 (h), Devin Combs Bowles 6247 1187 (h) and Janine Studholme 6241 5894 (h).

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SUNDAY 11th JULY 2004

8.00am and 10.00am - Morning Prayer

Readings:

- Amos 7:7-17; or Deut 30:9-14
- Psalm 82
- Col 1:1-14
- Luke 10:25-37

Rosters:
Cleaning: Janine Studholme and Stephen Billett
Flowers: Kerry Anne Cousins

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Sunday 11 July 2004
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Measured by the plumb bob.

8.00am & 10.00am - Morning Prayer
8am Elizabeth Allinson
10am Linda Anchell

Readings:

- Amos 7.7-17
- Psalm 82
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Hymns: TIS: 315, 129, 409, 242

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It's a baby girl

Akidi Jessica was born Tuesday 29 June at 3.15pm, weight 3.4kg, length 47cm. Both Akidi and Pauline are well and at home. Congratulations Pauline, Rod & Maka-moi

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Freda Thomas' [Sen] Dad - John Huey died on Wednesday (7 July). The funeral will be on Saturday 17 July in Ireland. Freda leaves Wednesday 14 July, please hold her in your prayers.

Genesis 34: The Rape of Dinah

You are warmly invited to attend a public seminar at St Mark's, on Thursday 15 July at 7.30pm on this topic, specifically, on the reading of such a text in the contemporary church.

There will be four speakers: Matthew Anstey (Old Testament), Heather Thomson (Systematic Theology), Ranjini Rebera (Communication & Gender), and Jeanette Mathews (Homiletics). After their presentations, about 30 minutes will be given to questions and comments from those attending. The focus of the talks will be on the issues that emerge from a careful reading of the text, particularly hermeneutical, theological, social, and pastoral.

The seminar this year is integrated with The Pentateuch residential school subject at St Mark's, whose twenty or so participants will be in attendance as part of their educational experience. We hope that this event will become an annual series at St Mark's, entitled "Reading Scripture in the Contemporary Church".

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Sunday 18 July 2004
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Amos 8:1-12
- Psalm 52
- Colossians 1.15-29
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Hymns: TIS: 693, 136, 626, 187

Organist at Meg Colwell

Hi Everyone,

After two weeks off I am feeling rested and ready to get back to the round of events at St Philip's although a week at Surfers Paradise has made it a little difficult to re-acclimatise and be ready for the current blizzard conditions! While we were on the Gold Coast the daytime temperatures were around 21 to 25degrees and the overnight minimums about 10-15 degrees! I did meet a woman who had moved from Canberra who was finding the warm weather a little monotonous! I swam in the surf every day and was amazed at the warmth and clarity of the water as well as the wonderful white sandy beach. At first I was overwhelmed by the level of development and the crowds of people as well as the glitz, but it was a good time for the Lamertons to be together. The trip was the fulfilment of a promise we had made to our son Gareth that we would go to MovieWorld. Also included were visits to Sea World and Wet'n'Wild which is a mass of water slides and swimming pools.

I found the time away a good opportunity to reflect, stand outside the routine, and see things from a different perspective. I realised my need for regular recreational activity to renew my energy and spirit. It was good also to discover how hard it is to find an Anglican Church in the midst of the buildings at Surfers Paradise and to wonder how the church makes contact with the constant flow of holiday makers. Then last week I was interested to be part of a congregation and not be up front! I was challenged about the way we

conduct our liturgy and the need for balance between being dignified and worshipful as well as user friendly. The wardens and I have discussed some aspects of our worship we need to look at over the next few weeks.

On Friday night I went to the showing of Michael Moore's film "Fahrenheit 9/11" which was a fundraiser for Amnesty International. I am not so naive that I think Michael Moore is an unbiased reporter but the movie raises a whole range of questions about how the "War on Terror" has been conducted!

Today's reading from the prophet Amos challenges the people of God about the relationship between their worship and the issues of justice. He points out to the people that an empty religiosity which emphasises temple worship and fails to promote fairness in trade and society generally misses the point of worship altogether. Paul points out that to live out one's faith as a disciple of Christ is to share his suffering and to wrestle with issues. In the Gospel story Martha is the busy one distracted by her own activity while Mary listens to Jesus. Martha is not condemned for her activity but simply because it is not necessary in the current situation. Being a disciple means to abandon our own agenda to be able to listen and respond to Jesus. There is also another side to this story because Jesus is probably anxious as he makes his way to Jerusalem. Those who sit with him are more likely to enable him in the fulfilling of his ministry as well as to gain from him. Busy-ness is important ... but not always!

Rob Lamerton

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and:
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Mid Winter Lunch 12noon Next Sunday 25 July

All welcome. Please bring a Main or Dessert to share. RSVP on list in

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Contact Denise or Leighton for information.

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Thanks to all who chipped in while I was away

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PANDORA'S PAINTING

The back wall of Pandora's at O'Connor will be painted this afternoon! If you are relatively skilled with a paint brush or roller and can assist please talk to me or to Leighton.

Pandora's at O'Connor Staff required!

Gaps seem to be appearing in the roster. If you can offer a Friday or a Saturday morning once a month please contact Sandra Lamerton ph. 62478004.

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SUNDAY 25th JULY 2004

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Readings:

- Hosea 1: 2-10
- Psalm 85
- Colossians 2: 6-15 (16-19)
- Luke 11.1-13

Rosters:
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Sunday 25 July 2004
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

"Knock and it shall be opened to you."

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Hosea 1: 2-10
- Psalm 85
- Colossians 2: 6-15 (16-19)
- Luke 11.1-13

Hymns: Together in Song: 168, 590 (tune Scarlet Ribbons), 130, 465 (for blessing), 613

Organist: Colin Forbes

From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Following our survey of some months ago about the use of an "Intinction Cup " it has been agreed that we continue the current practice but with some minor variations at the 10.00am Eucharist.

With the understanding that the receiving of Holy Communion is highly valued as an expression of God's Grace in our midst it is important that we do it with care. Administering Holy Communion in both kinds (bread and wine) needs to be done with dignity and "decently and in order" to give the sacrament the reverence we value. In order to do this it is important that we have some generally understood and agreed format so we are not bumping into each other and treading on toes at a time when we are pondering and meditating the meaning of the Body and Blood of Christ given for us.

The format for receiving Communion at 8.00am will not change.

At 10.00am Holy Communion:

• The bread will be administered first.

• The Intinction Cup will follow.

• The two Common Cups will then be administered.

If you receive the wine from the intinction cup please remain kneeling or standing at the altar rail until the two common or sipping cups have passed you and the person second from you has taken the wine. This allows two things: each person is able to have the personal and spiritual space to meditate on the meaning of the blood of Christ AND there is no danger of bumping or being bumped as people attempt to sip from the cup. It sounds complicated but within a short time it will become second nature.

The three issues dominating the news this week have been the reports on the Intelligence and the organizations which oversee it in Australia and the USA, the Athens Olympics and drug cheats as well as the Kangaroo cull! As much as I love my sport I do wonder how much value the Olympics are when there seems to be a complete imbalance in participation between rich and poor nations. Does the Olympic organization only accentuate the disparity? Then when I hear that there is an official for every two athletes I cannot help but compare that to the original Olympic games and wonder what the world has created!

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- Colossians 3: 1-11
- Luke 12: 13-21

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Soloist Today: Jacquie Brack
Psalm 107 Congregation sing the antiphon at the beginning and end.
At Communion: "Turn Thee to Me" - Dvorak
For the Blessing: "God to Enfold You" - John Bell.

Prayer response (10am): Lord of creation, **keep us in your love**
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Hi Everyone,

I am beginning to wonder if the global "War onTerror" will extend to countless "signed on for duty" type speeches by the rival candidates in the US Presidential Elections! It seems the whole feeling of the election reflects the war theme. Amongst all the patriotism and emotion I have heard little about how the candidates really plan to combat terrorism apart from more of the same. I hope that we are not flooded by so much US election news that we do not hear enough information about the policies and candidates for the federal and ACT elections here in Australia!

Recent events surrounding hostages in Iraq the withdrawal of troops by Spain and the Philippines as well as the comments made by our Minister for Foreign Affairs Alexander Downer highlight the importance of respect for decisions made by foreign governments even though we may disagree. This whole sorry state of affairs in

Iraq was for seen by many who opposed the war in the first place! As much as I am against the war, I think that security must be maintained in Iraq and so a general pull out of troops would be disastrous. The whole hostage taking thing is tragic and is of course conducted by desperate people trying to make their point by disrupting the new administration. I am always concerned in these situations when politicians say "We do not negotiate with terrorists!" For years we heard the same thing said in South Africa and Northern Ireland (and we hear it still in Israel) only to discover that the terrorists had legitimate grievances needing to be addressed! The real answers are never clear but to stand off and make bold statements can be unhelpful!

Just last week after discussing the need for administrative help with Parish Council I received a phone call from a parish in another Diocese inviting me to be their rector. I have declined their offer but it was a tempting proposition because they have a budget twice what ours is as well as office staff and administrative help! I'm relieved to say the thinking and praying about the situation helped me focus much more on the needs of St Philip's and come to see that my prayers for administrative help etc. can be answered here.

Today's first reading from Hosea ch.11 is the answer to last week's reading about the unfaithfulness of Israel. God can only find compassion for these miserable souls and desires to restore them. They were in bad shape at all levels and had lost touch with God whereas the man in the gospel story had everything but had no regard for God. He might be a symbol of a humanity which is indifferent to God! The psalmist reminds "those whom the Lord has redeemed" to "proclaim that he has redeemed them" to let their faith be known! Paul of course focuses that faith on Christ who has been raised and urges active participation in that reality.

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- Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
- Luke 12:32-40

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

"Waiting"

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- Ps 50:1-8, 23-24 (APBA p.49,50)
- Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
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Hymns: Together in Song: 143, 552, 511, 565
Organist: Meg Colwell

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Last week under the heading of "Child Protection" I spoke about the Child Protection Workshop to be running at St Philip's on Saturday 28th August. I also expressed the concern that we also have a ministry to those who are guilty of offences relating to children. Believe me I know it is a very vexed issue but as those who believe in God's grace and mercy and who believe in our own redemption we also must hold out hope to those who for whatever reason are the perpetrators. The Child Protection Workshop is really a pre-requisite for all who work with children in the church as well as for those in leadership positions and those interested and concerned about these issues. I know that those who attend will be informed and challenged.

The whole process of building safer communities of faith begins with our children and continues on to all people of whatever age and has grown out of the awareness that the Church has NOT in the past provided safety and protection. The protection for even the perpetrators of child abuse, when they are honest about their past and seeking some forgiveness and restoration, is also important, as long as measures are taken to define their areas of ministry and activity. When the boundaries are transgressed however the parish community needs to take steps to hand the issue over to the relevant authorities. There is quite a good network of information which operates when a known offender is around giving priest and wardens time to deal with the situation before it gets out of hand Please make the Child Protection Workshop a priority! If you cannot make it to the one at St Philip's there is another at St John's Reid on the same day from 9.00am to 1.00pm and there will be more offered.

The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn has taken Child Protection very seriously and St Philip's has adopted the policy available on the notice board. It is expected that people working within the church will do the course offered and then be registered on a list of workers at the Diocesan Registry. For this reason we cannot have people presenting letters of accreditation from other organizations. Janine Studholme is our Parish Coordinator for Child Protection and will soon be eligible to conduct courses in Child Protection. Please contact

Janine to book in for the 28th. Phone 62415894 or email billet_AT_dodo.com.au (change _AT_ to @).

Had word from Ashton Robinson in Baghdad reporting that none of his Christian contacts were hurt in last Sunday's bombings. Thanks be to God! Also he says there is a small remnant of those who shared the faith (pre-Moses) of Abraham. They are the Yezidis who live mostly in the North. Of course Abraham began his journey from Ur on the Euphrates River!

Mary, Mother of the Lord will be the focus of our celebration next Sunday with the Revd Jeannette McHugh our presiding priest and preacher.

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BIBLES FOR THE PERSECUTED

I have ten sets of material for the BIBLES FOR THE PERSECUTED program operated by the BIBLE LEAGUE. The program runs from the 22nd of August until the 12th of September and gives us an opportunity to provide Bibles for Christians who are persecuted for their faith. Please pray and think if you would like to participate!

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Mary, Mother of Our Lord

8am and 10am Holy Communion

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- Psalm 45: 11-18
- Gal 4: 4-7
- Luke 1:46-55

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Readings:

- Isaiah 61:10-11
- Psalm 45: 11-18
- Gal 4: 4-7
- Luke 1:46-55

Hymns: Together in Song: (not in order) 302, 287, 661, 161
Organist: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Today we celebrate Mary, mother of our Lord! Presiding at the Eucharist and preaching is the Revd Jeannette McHugh.

Some people still have the notion that Mary is reserved for Roman Catholics or supposedly for "high" Anglicans. In evangelical circles Mary is often overlooked all together. We should steer our way carefully between the extreme of Catholic devotion on one hand, and Evangelical neglect on the other to find what message Mary has for us today. The story of Mary is of course soundly biblical. Although we need to dig a little beneath the surface of the biblical depiction to find out about Mary we should give Mary her rightful place at the head of the list of the saints, as "Mother of the Church " and the agent and bearer of God's incarnation in Jesus. Mary's obedience and willingness to accept God's purpose for her is the really important message. Unfortunately the emphasis on the "virginity " of Mary has been made much of at the expense of her warm humanity and willingness to trust God. Mary is to be remembered and celebrated as one who, in spite of the difficulties, bears Christ to the world. In this way she is the model and symbol of our calling to bring Christ to the world!

Greece is the word! As we observe the opening of the Olympic Games from afar we can find a Greek link with Mary, mother of our Lord! The title "Theotokos" meaning "God bearer" was that used by the Greek Fathers from Origen onwards to describe the Blessed Virgin Mary. Whatever the reality of the conception and birth of Jesus, he shares our humanity (from Mary) and the divinity of God.

If you didn't see the opening of the Olympic Games in Athens - please watch a replay! It was just amazing! If ever there was proof to the old saying "It will be all right on the night" this was it. I do hope we hear a few apologies from those who doubted that the organizers would have things ready! What a blessing it was to see such joy in the faces of the athletes marching around the stadium! All my negativity about the games went out the window! We still must pray for all the participants, officials, volunteers and security people, that the games may celebrate the joy of competition and common humanity and NOT just winning!

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Amanda is now heading to London to study at The Royal Academy. We are blessed to have Amanda performing her farewell recital at **St Philip's on Saturday 21st August at 8.00pm.** Works will include those by Samuel Barber, Mozart and Handel. Leaflets are in the porch.
Adults $30, Concessions $25 Card-carrying students $20 Bookings 02 6249 6067

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BIBLES FOR THE PERSECUTED

Next week begins the program "BIBLES FOR THE PERSECUTED" in conjunction with the Bible League and runs for 3 weeks including 4 Sundays. Those who are suffering for their faith in Jesus Christ simply ask "Please pray for us, and please send Bibles." As from next Sunday 22nd August, we will focus our attention on some of our courageous persecuted brothers and sisters in Christ. There are enough prayer resources and Bible money boxes for ten people or families. If more people require them we will arrange for more. The cost of providing a bible for a persecuted Christian is $7. If each participant set aside $1 a day for the 21 days that would provided for 30 bibles. Please take a Bible money box and prayer resource "Rock of Refuge".

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Those who mourn: Brian McKinlay, James Kim and the McKinlay family.
We give thanks for and celebrate: Mary, the mother of our Lord and those departed this life: Thelma M. Morton (d.15/8/93), Donald William Brown, (d.17/8/88), Clare of Assisi, John Henry Newman, cardinal and theologian; Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer; Maximilien Kolbe, friar; Martin Luther King Jnr, worker for civil liberties.

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Readers 8am: 1st Mark Boyle 2nd Carola Parke
10am:1st Denise Manley 2nd Washington Oloo
Sidespersons:
8am: Norm Davey
10am: Grace Barnes and Peter Andersson

Morning Tea: 10am Rhyanna and Amanda

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SUNDAY 22nd August 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion
Readings:

- Jeremiah 1:4-10
- Psalm 71:1-6
- Hebrews 12:18-29
- Luke 13:10-17

Rosters:
Cleaning: Barbara Dowley
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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship and Practical Care

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Readings:

- Jeremiah 1:4-10
- Psalm 71:1-6
- Hebrews 12:18-29
- Luke 13:10-17

Hymns: Together in Song: 121, 40 (for psalm), 139, 517, 227
Organist: Colin Forbes
Soloist (cantor in psalm and during communion) Alison Knight.

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Three years ago after the World Trade Centre towers were destroyed and many people were killed in New York and in Washington at the Pentagon there was a backlash against Muslims here in Australia. The mosque at Kuraby in Brisbane was fire bombed. I was proud that St Philip's was able to collect $300 to send as assistance for their rebuilding program. It was a practical gesture of goodwill! We made a statement in our action which said there is no place in Australian society for persecution of people on the basis of their faith or religious practice. We also made a statement that Christian love and generosity should not be limited by religious difference.

I remind us of that today as we, begin for a time to think about the persecution of Christians and take an opportunity to remember them in prayer as well as to make something of a tangible offering through the Bible League's "Bibles for the Persecuted" program. I would hope that we make no differentiation between the persecution of Christians and the persecution of anyone else. I draw your attention to the programs run by Amnesty International to highlight the issues of persecution and human rights abuses wherever they occur. At the moment however it is appropriate to remember that many Christians live with persecution. The publication "The Rock of Refuge" provided with the Bible League material tells stories of persecution in many countries. Sometimes it is systematic persecution by authorities but often also by extreme anti Christian groups in local communities.

In Colombia Christian pastors and church leaders are at the mercy of armed rebels who have killed some 72 pastors in about 18 years. In China some house churches have been forcibly closed as well as in Belarus. In China too nonChristian cults have targeted some churches. There are many other stories. As we argue for justice and human rights around the world we should remember our fellow Christians who face injustice simply on the basis of their faith in Christ.

Today's first reading from Jeremiah echoes the sense of call from before birth mentioned by other great men and women of the Bible. The psalmist mentions an awareness of God's strength "from my youth upward" There is a profound awareness of God's call and purpose here! Then in the letter to the Hebrews the author (not

Paul!) recalls a formative event in Israel's history the amazing events of Mount Sinai, when God called the people and gave the Law. But as he says there is something greater here for in Christ we meet face to face with the heavenly Jerusalem. Synagogue worship recalled the event at Sinai and the giving of the Law. Sadly there were those who could not make the connection between the liberation of God's people then and the need of the woman "a daughter of Abraham" in their midst now! The proper practice of our gatherings for worship must balance the importance and dignity of worship with the importance and dignity of the people who are present.

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- Psalm 81:1, 10-16
- Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
- Luke 4:1-14

Rosters:
Cleaning: Rhonda Evans
Flowers: Sandra Lamerton
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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Invite Beggars and the Crippled

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Readings:

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- Psalm 81:1, 10-16
- Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
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Hymns: Together in Song: 560(i), 444(t56), 454, 578(t143)
Organist: Lucy Aplin

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Everything has its setting... its context! The reporting of the Australian women's rowing eight last week really did not help! It was only normal that members of the team felt disappointed and angry after they had come so close to a medal at the Olympics only to have a team member collapse in the boat. It was as if an interviewer had stumbled into a funeral and been surprised by the uncomfortable feelings there. In such circumstances such feelings abound and catching them in the heat of the action means they are that much stronger. The fact that the events were on display for all to see meant that those of us who are a little squeamish about overt displays of emotion were just a trifle confronted! The great thing about team sports is that winning and/or losing is a team thing and learning to work with the strengths and weaknesses of various individuals is part of the process. It is a good lesson for life in general and it is an especially good lesson for life in the Christian family.

I know how that young rower felt! I have been so exhausted just watching the Olympics this week that I simply fell back in my seat too!

In a similar way there can be no reporting of the up and coming Australian election without the recognition of things happening around us. The war in Iraq, the trial of suspected terrorists David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib, Detention Centres and "children

overboard" allegations are all part of the context. Drought, the concern over free trade with the USA and the management of our health system all add to the mix. There are many other issues as well!

Jeremiah also wrote and spoke in a "context"! His own likely background as member of a priestly family gave him a spiritual outlook in a situation where powerful human forces were at work both beyond Israel and within. The decline of the Assyrian empire opened the way for Scythian raiders to cause havoc and a time of uncertainty. Today we read Jeremiah's early writing expressing concern about his people's willingness to forsake God the source of "living water" and to follow ways which provided no life at all.

The writer of the letter to the Hebrews wrote in the context of failing faith encouraging his readers to look again at the ways in which Jesus covenant surpassed the Law of Moses and the old covenant. The stories of Jesus are in the context of a meal where the Pharisees take the better places. There was a common belief that obedience to the Law of Moses meant a better place in the great banquet of God Jesus however points out that the appropriate response to God's invitation is to abandon ideas of merit. The gift of salvation is to be received with humility and forgiveness or mercy is the active expression of the receipt of the gift.

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Kerry-Anne and Ian Cousins visit the St Philips' Outpost in the Pacific.

Report from the advance party of St Philips' holidaymakers.
Beryl and David Gowty are in fine form - trim, taut and yes, stress free. David loves his job at The South Pacific Community and it is clearly all very worth while. Beryl has met the challenge of the local traffic with gusto and drives like a true French driver. As far as we can see, their life consists of lunch on the beach each day and a stroll on the prom to watch the sun go down each evening before retiring for a gin and tonic, or David's home made beer. Lesser beings like myself shudder at the enormous fish at the markets, but the Gowtys sling these monsters of the deep on their barbeque and are living off the fat of the land (or should I say the sea!). In the absence of St Philips they are going to the local Catholic Church, but at present they are keeping a low profile.

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SUNDAY 5th September 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion
Readings:

- Jeremiah 18:1-11
- Psalm 139:1-5, 12-18

- Philemon 1-25
- Luke 14:25-35

Rosters:
Cleaning: Dimitri Markotsis
Flowers: Kerry Anne Cousins
Readers 8am: 1st John Girdlestone 2nd Devin Combs Bowles
10am:1st Chris Cheah 2nd Kerry Davis
Sidespersons:
8am: John Girdlestone
10am: Roger Sharp and Chris Cheah
Morning Tea: 10am Dimitri and helpers

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Take Up Your Cross

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Jeremiah 18:1-11
- Psalm 139:1-5, 12-18
- Philemon 1-25
- Luke 14:25-35

Hymns: Together in Song: 119, 88(psalm), 253(twice), 626, 583 (tune AHB 496)
Organist: Colin Forbes

Soloist at 10.00am Annette Gaykema

Annette will lead us in the psalm 139 (see TIS 88)
At communion: "O Rest in the Lord" from Elijah by Mendelssohn

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

We can only be appalled at the tragic death and suffering of so many after the school siege in Beslan in southern Russia over the last few days as well as the other terrorist related tragedies. Like the attack on the World Trade Centre and Washington in 2001 these events are almost beyond belief! Are these terrorists just well organised psychopathic killers or do they really believe they are making a political point. What does seem clear is that terrorists are targeting softer and softer targets from commercial buildings to theatres to railway stations and now schools. All the old rules about women and children being spared have gone and now almost any thing goes. As I say that my mind travels back to some of the events of the troubles in Northern Ireland and the genocide in Rwanda of ten years ago and I realize that the most vulnerable have often been the targets. Not to forget the fact that there is still an unfolding tragedy in Southern Sudan, a continuing confrontation in Iraq (of which we are a part) and the war on terror in Afghanistan.

We must continue to remember and pray for the many parents and family members who weep for lost children and loved ones in so many traumatic situations but especially for those needlessly killed in Beslan. So many young lives with hopes and expectations for the new school year which ended in a nightmare.

It is an important time to resist the fear and anxiety but to maintain faith, hope and love and to encourage world leaders NOT to make simple statements about a "War on Terror"! Instead, governments need to make genuine efforts to resolve the underlying issues in practical and healing ways and to discourage the descent into a cycle of revenge.

Today we read the words of Jeremiah reflecting on God who moulds and remakes human beings as a potter does the clay. Change and renewal are possible only as God's people are pliable in God's hands. Once clay is hardened it loses all possibility of change. In the gospel Jesus reminds the crowd that there is a cost for following him and that the cost must be considered The cost may be the willingness to remain flexible in God's hand as illustrated by the clay in the first reading. Onesimus found himself in prison with Paul whose influence

proved to be God's moulding of his life. Jesus' challenge to "take up your cross" was made on the way to Jerusalem but his hearers would not have known what was to happen! By the time the story was written and told it was clear! The cross would have been familiar to the crowds as an instrument of torture and death a symbol of the most difficult thing to face. Was Jesus telling the crowd that to be his disciple meant readiness to face the worst of life's hardships and that God would mould us into new people in the process?

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Come along for a great afternoon of entertainment!

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There are some prayer resources and Bible money boxes left. A bible for a persecuted Christian is $7. If each participant set aside $1 a day for the 21 days that would provided for 30 bibles. Please take a Bible money box and prayer resource "Rock of Refuge".

Carers Workshops

St Paul's Manuka are conducting Carers Workshops! We have missed the first but there are two more:

- 5th Sept. The spiritual journey of the carer.
- 14th Nov. Issues and struggles associated with caring for someone with dementia.

Leaflets available in the porch.

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ABM is supporting the Appeal for the people of Southern and Western Darfur in the Sudan through the Action by Churches Together (ACT) Coalition*

Thousands are homeless and living in refugee camps. Many will die in the next few months if help is not given. ACT is seeking to provide shelter, water, sanitation and basic sleeping and kitchen materials, as well as supplementary food for children under the age of 5 and education for school age children.
Please - call ABM with your Gift today on 1300 302 663 or Sydney 9264 1021
All gifts over $2 are tax-deductible.

[ACT is part of the World Council of Churches and is a global alliance of churches and related agencies - of which ABM is a member - working to save lives and support communities in emergencies worldwide].

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TRADING TABLE - TODAY!

Please bring and buy for our Mission Projects! Pandora's is also open for the Trading Table Day.

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Rejoice! The lost sheep is Found!

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Readings:

- Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28
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Hymns: Together in Song: 179, 158, 197, 679 (wonderful words by Brian Wren!)
Organist: Meg Colwell

Our singers today are Alison Knight and Annette Gaykema

Accompanied by Elizabeth Wilson
They will sing Psalm 14
and at Holy Communion: "Cantata for 14th Sunday after Trinity" - JS Bach

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

The bombing in Jakarta continues the bloodshed! It shows what we always knew that it is mostly the innocent who suffer! We pray for the Indonesian and Australian families struggling with the grief and suffering

Isn't it wonderful to see rain again! I do hope it is a sign that better times are on the way! The whole water situation requires our serious attention not just now but always. It has always surprised me that we behave as if there is an endless supply of water. After all we know that patterns of rainfall have not changed dramatically over the years but we keep adding to the level of demand for that same amount of water. In a very short time we must have in place much better strategies for water use, water storage and re use!

One of our Mission Projects is the Toungoo Clean Water Project in Myanmar

(Burma). It seems amazing to me that in a place where we expect there is much more rain that a water supply program is needed What is being provided is a clean supply of safe drinking water. We in Australia evidently use much more water per head of population than the people of Asia! I imagine that is simply because it is there coming out of the tap! Please give to our mission projects.

This week I said farewell to a friend. Athol Barratt died at the age of 95years. Athol and Thelma were members of St Philip's after moving from Sydney about 25 years ago. I was blessed to take them communion at home for some years and then to visit them at Ginninderra Gardens Nursing Home. Athol was a great conversationalist and had a wide range of interests. Athol died peacefully last Monday after a stroke. We remember Thelma, Roslyn and Tony and grandchildren Adrian and Sarah in our prayers. Thelma and Athol had been married for 70 years!

I will be away on Monday and Tuesday this week with our eldest son John visiting my parents in Adelaide. In my absence please direct any urgent enquiries to the Wardens Chris Cheah, Denise Manley and

Devin Combs Bowles.

Next weekend from Friday 17th to Sunday 19th September I will be attending Diocesan Synod in Wagga Wagga with Devin and with Dimitri Markotsis two of our Synod representatives. Our third Synod rep. is of course Ashton Robinson who is in Iraq. Jeannette McHugh will preside and preach at the 8.00 and 10.00am Eucharist next week

There are those who see a growing humility in the sequence of Paul's letters from the assured "apostle" to this reading today from his first letter to Timothy where he describes himself as the 'foremost" of sinners. If it is the case then Paul had a growing sense of God's grace and mercy. The gospel includes two stories of Jesus about the lost being found. The astute Bible reader will say but what about the other story -- The prodigal son and the loving father? It was read on the fourth Sunday of Lent! Today's emphasis is on the rejoicing of God and the angels when even one sinner repents. "Sinners were the immoral or those who followed an occupation that the religious regarded as incompatible with the Law" (Leon Morris). The Pharisees saw God as excluding sinners rather than searching out and rejoicing in their restoration. What about us?

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From the Dyer family in Horsham!

We have bought a house here - instead of renting. Having the animals made finding something suitable to rent rather challenging, so we have (with God's help) bought ourselves a little piece of local history. A lovely old (1924) home that reminds me so much of the manses my grandfather had in Geelong and in Sale. I had one of those flash-back experiences that a smell can bring the other day, it was a beautiful day (23 degrees), so I had the doors and windows open and I walked down our now book-lined hallway and smelt something that was so evocative of my grandfather's houses that I could almost see myself as a small child heading down his book-lined hallways!
We have linked up with a great church - the Uniting Church. Horsham has such a strong church going community - most support more than one minister and often pastoral care and youth workers as well! We have clicked really well. We are planning on getting Cane baptised here on the 3rd of October.

ABM Partners Magazine - A new edition is available! Please take one home!

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No servant can serve two masters

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Hymns: Together in Song: 156, 745, 561, The Flower "Spring" Carol (song sheet)

Organist: Colin Forbes

Soloist today: Jeremy Yapp
At Holy Communion: "God is my Shepherd" (Psalm 23) - Dvorak

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

While I am away with Devin Combs Bowles and Dimitri Markotsis at Synod the Rev'd Jeannette McHugh is presiding and preaching at the Eucharist at 8am and 10am.

Synod this year is in Wagga Wagga with services at St John's while the business of Synod is conducted at the Charles Sturt University. There will of course be much to discuss from the Diocesan Mission Plan to Ordinances about Professional Standards and the Governance of the Diocese. The Financial Reports of the Diocese will be discussed as well as National Church issues such as Women Bishops, Lay Presidency at the Eucharist and the location and role of the Anglican Primate (currently the Archbishop of Perth). All issues about which you are no doubt keenly interested!!! Synod representatives will be reporting on the important aspects of Synod over the coming weeks.

Just this week a leaflet about Spring @ St Philip's has been sent out to (I hope) all members of the St Philip's family. The first event advertised is the Pandora's at O'Connor fashion parade on 0 October. The second is The St Philip's Fete on 16th October this year! There is a list of stalls and activities on the notice board in the porch! Please indicate on the list if you can coordinate a stall or be a helper! Sadly the load falls to a faithful few who do not get to see the rest of the fete. Please volunteer even a small amount of your time to assist on a stall or event. Even an hour of your time will make the fete that much greater a success!

Election fever follows football fever! The Federal election is on 9th October! Why not vote on the way to the Pandora's at O'Connor fashion parade. The ACT Assembly election is on 16th October vote early and come to the fete afterwards! The Parish Annual Election for Wardens and Parish Councillors will be conducted on Sunday 24th October BEFORE the 10am Eucharist. A number of members of Parish Council have decided not to seek re election! If you are interested in offering for election to Parish Council or as Warden please indicate you interest on the notice in the porch. It is really important to have nominations ready before the meeting! Please begin asking thinking

and praying about suitable people to fill some of the gaps.

As we emerge from winter the St Philip's finances are stretched. This is the time of year to catch up on your giving if it has fallen behind and to re think your commitment to providing the resources for the future. In plain terms your giving! Sets of envelopes are available for regular weekly giving as well as the Anglican Direct debit scheme operated by our Anglican Development Fund If you prefer you can give through Internet banking by using the information on the form provided Even a modest increase $2 per week per person means an extra $52 per year. An increase of $2 per family per week would mean almost $100 per week and $5000 per year. My main concern is that we pay our Mission Commitment of $3000!

Today's gospel can be confusing! The secret is in verse 8 where the man is commended for his shrewdness NOT his dishonesty! The story is about the use of our wits and resourcefulness in God's service. It seems to me to be about breaking the mould of our thinking and being truly open to alternatives in the way we respond to God

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Readings:

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Hymns: Together in Song: 135, 307, 492, 281, 613
Organist: Colin Forbes

Soloist today: Rob Clayton
Rob will sing Psalm 19 before the first reading.
At Holy Communion: Aria: "That God is Great"
from Chandos Anthems by G.S. Handel

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

It is always good to welcome little ones into the Christian family in Baptism! It is especially good to welcome those who we know and who are a little bit special to us because we know them. Today we welcome Samuel David and Nicholas Stirling Wade! We have come to know Sam and Nicholas with Genevieve and Richard for some time now but it is great that they are to be baptized among us. Sam and Nicholas have some well known Godparents Fiona Dyer and Rebecca and Stephen Palethorpe! It is great to have Fiona, Sian and Catriona Dyer here from Horsham but we will just have to remember Ben who is hard at work back home. We pray for Cate who is to be baptized amidst her new Christian family next week in Horsham!

Well it is good to be back on familiar territory after two days in Adelaide with son John to visit my parents Bob and Josie Lamerton. I managed to catch up with my two Adelaide sisters with their families and by phone with my other sister in Perth. My cousin in Perth caught me by accident when she also phoned! It was a busy two days because we also did a quick walking tour of parts of the city of Adelaide.

I was only back for two days before heading to our diocesan Synod in Wagga Wagga from Friday 17th to Sunday 19th Most of the groundbreaking news from Synod has been in the Canberra Times but I will get our Synod representatives Dimitri Markotsis and Devin Combs Bowles to tell us something of the highlights over the next few Sundays.

Probably the important issues discussed were the concern over the cost of building and properly insurance especially for the parishes with heritage listed buildings. Our general acceptance of the possible consecration of women as bishops was affirmed with some concern for those who could not agree with it. We accepted to extend the use of the Governance Ordinance of 2000 which gives guidance for the structures and organization of Parishes and Ministry Units as well as the Diocese.

This week was a little messed around with a trip to Tumut for my Professional Peer Group Meeting. I find these wonderfully helpful but sometimes I find myself just longing for a day to get some things

done in the parish.

The election campaign rolls on for both Federal Parliament and for the ACT Assembly and if you are confused ... so am I. As a swinging voter I cannot tell which promises for health, welfare and education will serve the country best. In fact I find them fairly evenly balanced and I do find the figures on funding of private schools deceptive without clear comparisons. It would be great if education (and other areas) was operated independent of political bias. Possibly a set amount per student could be provided with an independent commission administering grants on the basis of need The areas where I find real need for change are in the management of asylum seekers, the involvement in Iraq and our relationship with U.S.A. as well as our approach to national security and the environment. Many of you will probably disagree!

Our gospel reading today is a story told by Jesus "among the Pharisees who loved money". The story tells the reversal of fortunes so often mentioned by Jesus as the way of the Kingdom of God. It was evidently a well known tale but the point is made in the dialogue between Dives (the rich man) and Abraham in the reference to the need to listen to Moses and the prophets. If they do not believe them they will not be convinced by someone rising from the dead .. as Pharisees they should know Moses and the prophets had said plenty to say about the requirements of God towards the poor.

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The departed: Francis Lawrence (Lawrie) Keast (d.24/9/90), Coralie Joy Rockwell Sawer (d.29/9/91); John Coleridge Patteson, first bishop of Melanesia, martyr; Matthew, apostle, evangelist and martyr; Sergius of Moscow, abbot and teacher.

TODAY'S ROSTER:

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10am:1st Linda Anchell 2nd Richard Wade
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SUNDAY 3rd October 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion
Readings:

- Lamentations 1:1-6
- Psalm 137
- 2 Timothy 1:1-14
- Luke 17:5-10

Rosters:
Cleaning: Pat Forbes
Flowers: Kerry Anne Cousins
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Offerings banked 21/09/04 Envelopes and Loose $864, EFT $345
Pandora's $111.30, Bibles for the Persecuted $71, Church Use $15

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Sunday 3 October 2004
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Lamentations 1:1-6
- Psalm 137
- 2 Timothy 1:1-14
- Luke 17:5-10

Hymns: Together in Song: 84 (tune 439), 691, 414, 169
Organist: Colin Forbes

10am Choir: Igitur Nos

Introit: Motet - "Duo Seraphim" - Jacob Handl (1550-1591)
Mass Setting "Missa Secunda" by Hans Leo Hassler (1562-1612)
Psalm 137:1-6 (Anglican chant)
At Holy Communion: Motet - "Tantum Ergo" - Deodat de Severac (1872-1921)

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

We welcome the choir Igitur Nos among us today and thank them with their director/conductor Matthew Stuckings for leading and assisting us in our worship!

There continues to be a great deal happening around us even though it is school holidays and a long weekend! The Lamerton family will be travelling to Sydney on Tuesday to say farewell to son John as he flies out to the UK to work for two years. Although we will regain the use of the living room in the Rectory we are very aware that we will miss him very much! Birmingham is further than Belconnen! Many of you have not had the pleasure to meet John he is a wonderful young man and we are very proud of him! (We are biased of course!)

The Elections are descending upon us at a rapid rate! The federal election offers a variation on similar themes child care, education, health care, aged care and competing claims of capable management of the nation's economy. Little has been said about asylum seekers, border protection, national security and the war in Iraq, probably because they are too delicate on which to make political mileage. I feel sorry for those trying to get attention for the ACT election I have found it too hard to discern what issues are local and what is national! I will have one week after 9th October to focus!

We will of course have our own Parish Electoral Meeting on Sunday 24th and need to have candidates for Wardens, Parish Councillors, Clergy Appointment Board and Synod Representatives. Please indicate your interest on the list on the notice board and get someone to formally nominate you.

Just this week one of our locals was deported! Yes, ACT Parks and Wildlife Rangers removed one of our local "dominant male" magpies and deported him to Canberra's deep south. I for one am sad to see him go after spending the last five years cultivating good relations with our magpie population. I have not been aware of any swooping so far this season!

In the gospel reading the disciples ask Jesus "Increase our faith!" The response Jesus gives turns the discussion away from a question of more or less towards the genuineness and quality of faith. Even the tiniest bit of faith can do great things NOT because of itself but because it connects with the greatness of God. Jesus is not suggesting that his disciples occupy themselves with a pointless thing like transferring a mulberry tree into the sea. Instead his concern is with the degree of difficulty! Faith can lead to spiritual pride and so Jesus refers to the standard practice with the slaves of his day. The master does not call the slave to have dinner and thank him/her Instead the master calls on him to serve dinner. This is a hard message because it points out that there is no gold medal or large financial reward for faith the relationship faith brings is its own reward! The story Jesus tells points out also that faith does not stop and say "what a good boy or girl am I" instead faith continues to serve. It is about quality of relationship and persistence!

In writing to Timothy in a time of difficulty ("Recalling your tears" v.4) Paul recalls Timothy's faith and encourages him to rekindle his relationship with God and to persist with his task "guard the good treasure entrusted to you".

Rob Lamerton

Flowers today are given in memory of Dorelle Goodrick

NOTICES

Pandora's Fashion Parade -12pm, Saturday 9 October
Don't miss this, the fashion event of the spring season. Be early to get your seat and enjoy the glamour of the occasion. This is the event at which to be seen and gossiped about in 2004!

Parish Fete --- 9am -1pm, Saturday 16 October
Look through your cupboards, turn out your bookshelves, dig a few plants, begin making cakes, volunteer your time etc., Join us for a very happy day.
See foyer notice board for details of how to help and sign up today!
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Sunday 10th October: Fete Preparation! There will be a Rake and Tidy up of the church grounds after church next Sunday. If we can all chip in it should require about an hour!

BETTER BITS FOR THE FETE

Wanted: bits and pieces for the Better Bits stall at the fete. Small items, such as china, ornaments, embroidery, jewel boxes, etc. I will pick up if necessary - give me a ring. Kerry Anne Cousins, Phone 6247 4928

Gospel Service --- 10am, Sunday 17 October

Parish Electoral Meeting

9.00am Breakfast; 9-30am Meeting, Sunday 24 October Please see Foyer notice board for details regarding positions and nominations. Please talk to me or to one of the wardens if you are able to serve on Parish Council.

CALVARY HOSPITAL TEAM FIRST SUNDAY EACH MONTH

The team meets about 9.20am each first Sunday and gathers people from the wards for Church and returns them at about 11.00am. Please talk to Beryl Blaseotto ph.62477230. We are getting desperate for help here!

Woden Christian Bookshop

Urgently require volunteer counter staff for half-day shifts! Also looking for a manager to take over at the end of 2004. Contact Kevin or Kate 6285 1425.

All Souls and All Saints Day - 5.00pm, Sunday 31 October

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SUNDAY 10th October 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion
Readings:

- Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
- Psalm 66:1-11
- 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Luke 17:11-19

Rosters:
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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
- Psalm 66:1-11
- 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Luke 17:11-19

Hymns: Together in Song: 687, 36 (for psalm), 575, 474, 595 (t15)
Organist: Meg Colwell

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

By now we will have voted for members of the House of Representatives and for the Senate. I imagine the final outcome of the election will be still unclear for some time. We still pray for all candidates and especially those who will be elected. It is I think a great blessing that we can go through an election campaign peacefully even though there is great strength of feeling, energy, and opposing view. I for one am grateful that the direction of the campaign was very much about finding ways to better provide for the people of Australia. A robust political stoush which gives us some choices and makes us think about what might be best for this country must be a good thing!

Next week is our Parish Fete and of course we vote again! This time for the members of the ACT Assembly! I must confess it has been difficult getting my thinking around the ACT elections and local political issues. I am trusting that between getting ready for the St Philip's Fete and the other events of the week I can take time to reflect on the important issues facing the ACT.

The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia has been sitting in Perth this week! One of the main topics has been the consecration of women as bishops. You will now know that the Synod could not agree to proceed! This has created a situation where the legal right of an individual diocese to proceed will need to be put to the test. Our own synod agreed that we should proceed when necessary to consecrate a woman and that the possible legal ramifications should be examined. We will wait and see! One of the issues in the debate is the interpretation of Scripture and the Archbishop of Sydney pointed out that we would find ourselves at odds with parts of the church where the bible is interpreted more conservatively. Quite often those who do not read the Bible literally are painted as not believing the Bible at all! I thought Bishop Jeff Driver responded well when he said on national radio that he too read his bible but he came to a different conclusion about the possible consecration of women as bishops.

Last week in the reading from Lamentations and the Psalm we heard about the anxiety of the people of Jerusalem taken captive into Babylon. It brought to mind the stories of people I know who have

had to leave their homes and begin again in a new place. How difficult that must be! Jeremiah's letter in the first reading today says "Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage". Get on with life, seek the welfare of the city where God has sent you, pray for it, for your welfare is dependent on its welfare! Jeremiah counsels against a corporate gloom encouraging faith and life. The lepers in the gospel story appear to have overcome racial and religious differences in their common suffering and in their approach to Jesus. Their feisty behaviour and faith despite illness is rewarded but gratitude is lacking!

Rob Lamerton

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Fete Preparation today! There will be a Rake and Tidy up of the church grounds after church today for about an hour!

Coordinators/stall managers are still needed for the Bar B Que, the Plants Stall and the Raffle

Raffle - Quality food and drink items are needed for the Raffle! Place them in the basket today

Items for the fete are still needed! Please drop them off this week!

Better bits are wanted for the fete - china, ornaments, embroidery, jewel boxes, etc.
Ring Kerry Anne Cousins, Phone 6247 4928

The Annual St Mark's Public Lecture
"GOD and the infinitely comic: in faith and humour". by Dr Heather Thomson
Thursday 14 October at 7-30pm. Sponsored by Charles Sturt University
For further details www.stmarksntc.org.au

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Hear the Melanesian Brothers from the Solomon Islands
Friday 15th October 7-30pm at Lyneham Uniting Church Hall
Further information -St Johns 6248 8399; Lyneham 6248 9198
(remembering the ten brothers murdered in the Solomon's on the Weather Coast.)

Woden Christian Bookshop

The Bookshop is delighted to announce the appointment of Mr Phillip West as Manager.
The Spring Sale is now on - 50% off retail prices for a great many selected items.
There is still an urgent need for volunteer sales staff for shifts on Monday morning and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons. Please phone the bookshop on 6285 1425.

I believe the modelling talent scouts were seen at the Pandora's fashion Parade yesterday and that some are considering careers in the fashion industry after their taste of

success!

Gilbert and Sullivan; "The Sorcerer" CAMRA's Annual Show
November 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 25th, 26th, 27th, at 8.00pm
ADMISSIONS: Adults $25, Concessions and Groups of 10 or more $20, Children and card carrying students $15
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Saturday: 9am -1.00pm **FETE**

SUNDAY 10th October 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion
Readings:

- Jeremiah 31:27-34
- Psalm 119:97-104
- 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5
- Luke 18:1-14

Rosters:
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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion
10am Gospel Service

Readings:

- Jeremiah 31:27-34
- Psalm 119:97-104
- 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5
- Luke 18:1-14

Hymns at 10am: See the Song Sheet
Organist and Pianist: Colin Forbes
Welcome to our Gospel singers today:
Introit: "The Gospel Train" (trad.) Linda, Clare and Lorraine
Kyrie and Gloria
Anthem (after the gospel) "I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray"
Denise, Lorraine, Mary, Rob and Adrian
At Communion: "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" Julie

Recessional: "Amen"

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

We give thanks again to God for the wonderful weather for our St Philip's Fete and for the wonderful band of "Fete Helpers" as well as many others who made the fete a success. There are so many contributors to the fete when we consider the cakes and other creations as well as the donations which astound us every year. Each year we seem to say it was quiet or we didn't have as much stock but we seem to always meet our expectations and make about $4000. So far takings are $4016 with some small amounts to add on and a few costs to deduct! There is still a good supply of Fairy Floss! Not recommended for diabetics of course!

After thinking about the surplus Fairy Floss I wonder if the fete could have another emphasis more in the direction of healthy eating! We could have a fresh juice bar and/or a salad bar! It would be great to again incorporate some live music and possibly go for a later date with a twilight fete on a Friday evening! It must be time for us to rethink the fete and look at some other alternatives. Helen Palethorpe is front runner to be fete coordinator for 2005 and I get the feeling that there will be no fairy floss! So if you had hoped to get rich by investing in fairy floss think again!

We welcome our singers today for our "Gospel Service”! All of our music today comes from the African American tradition commonly called spirituals. This music was borne out of the experience of slavery and oppression; of dislocation from culture and family; and became the basis of a whole new culture. The great trumpeter Winton Marsalissaid that "singing the blues is the antidote for having the blues". The songs reflect hope in the midst of anguish as the singers reach out for God in deep oppression and despair. In the very singing comes the sense of better things. It seems to me that all music has that therapeutic spiritual effect and is at the heart of our singing each week

Please remember the Electoral Meeting at 9.30am next Sunday 23rd October. There will be breakfast available a little before 9.00am to help your concentration. We will be electing Wardens, Parish Councillors, Clergy Appointment Board Members and Synod Representatives. We need nominations beforehand rather than to put

people on the spot at the meeting. Many of those presently serving are wishing to stand down after a number of years and although I value their presence in their various positions we should accept that they know what is best for them. I encourage your prayerful and thoughtful approach to the nomination and election process.

Up until now Jeremiah had been warning his people and lamenting their failures. Now in today's reading he sees a covenant of individual responsibility before God and a new era of hope and faith when they will experience God's forgiveness and "know the Lord". Paul's words are an encouragement to Timothy to "convince, rebuke and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching". In the gospel the woman approaches a harsh and unsympathetic judge and her needs are met. Jesus points out how much more then will we receive from God who is NOT a harsh judge but a loving Father. The story about the Pharisee and the tax collector illustrates the notion of the first being last and the last being first. The one who is first in terms of the law and religious practice goes away empty handed The one who is last in terms of law and religion leaves in first place withGod.

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

Parish Electoral Meeting Sunday 24 October

9.00am Breakfast - gold coin donation
proceeds to Parish Mission Projects
9-30am Meeting - See noticeboard for details regarding positions & nominations. Please talk to me or to one of the wardens/parish councillors for more information.

All Souls and All Saints Day - 5.00pm, Sunday 31 October
Followed by supper and drinks, please bring a plate of food to share.

G&S "The Sorcerer"
Sat20, Mon 22, Tues 23, Thur 25, Fri 26, Sat 27 November.

We are seeking a person to co-ordinate the pre-show drinks and suppers, all proceeds go towards the Parish Mission Projects, an easy way to make $1000 for the Parish, please see Leighton or Pat for details.

Calvary Hospital Team - First Sunday each month
From 9.20am to 11.00am each first Sunday,
to gather people from the wards for Church
and return them.
Please talk to Beryl Blaseotto ph. 6247 7230.

P.S. we are getting desperate for help here!

Music and Midday by the Royal Military College Band, with special guests the Canberra City Band, will be held at the Canberra Theatre Centre on Tuesday 19th of October 2004. There will be 2 performances, one at 11.00am and the second at 12.30pm. Entry is by donation and all proceeds from the day will be given to Anglicare, St John's Care.

THANKS TO ALL who gave and worked,
bought and sold,
and those who came along
to enjoy the day of the fete!!!!

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The departed: Elizabeth Fry, prison reformer (d.1845); Teresa of Avila, teacher (d.1592); Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, bishops and martyrs (d.1555); The 353 asylum seekers drowned in the SievX disaster October 18th 2001, (145 children)

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SUNDAY 24th October 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

9.00am Breakfast and 9.30am Electoral Meeting

Readings:

- Joel 2:23-32
- Psalm 65
- 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18
- Luke 18:15-30

Rosters:
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Twenty first Sunday after Pentecost

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- Joel 2:23-32
- Psalm 65
- 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18
- Luke 18:15-30

Hymns at 10am: Together in Song 416, 447, 474, 405
Organist: Colin Forbes
Soloist today: Jacquie Brack
Psalm 65
At Communion: Pieta Signore! "O Lord Have Mercy"
Allesandro Stradella

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Today we conduct our Annual Electoral Meeting at 9.30am after breakfast at 9.00am! I am hoping Devin Combs Bowles will be Rector's Warden but he is away in the USA and I am not able to confirm his nomination.

It is important that we have an idea of the tasks ahead as we launch into the future. We will have a new lease with the Kindergarten which will require us to look at maintenance aspects of the Parish Hall. We will most likely have the inclusion of CAMRA as a sub group of Parish Council and we will also need to consider just what we do to redevelop the antique St Philip's toilets as well as the other ongoing administration. It should not be a daunting task if we take it on together.

There is also to be a "Vision" process we are to conduct on the weekend of 19th and 26th of February. Roslyn Williams who has had links with St Philip's through her parents Athol and Thelma Barratt has offered to lead us in this process.

"What is our Mission Statement?" You say!... It is: **"To be a caring community which embraces and honours difference and offers a place to celebrate and grow spiritually within the Anglican tradition."** Think about it and what it means for the way we express our Christian faith at St Philip's.

The prophet Joel makes his appearance among our readings today. Little is known of Joel except that he was the son of Pethuel (Ch 1.1). His name is not unique, it means "The Lord is God" and he shares it with a dozen Old Testament figures. He appears to have lived in the Persian period of Jewish history (539-331BC). His reference to a locust plague recalls how he saw it as God's judgement. The people have obviously repented and so Joel sees now a time of the outpouring of God's Spirit before the Day of the Lord with it's judgements and blessings. In the gospel Luke writes about Jesus and the children as those who have no power, prestige or even property and yet they are the standard for the Kingdom. The "certain ruler" wonders about all his achievements. How does he rate? The answer is that he doesn't unless he is willing to let go of

the trappings of human success. Fortunately what is not possible for humanity IS POSSIBLE FOR GOD! Peter still seems to think his sacrifice will earn him some status but he too has fallen prey to the notion that his achievements and sacrifices are what count. Jesus points out that anyone who has made any sacrifice "for the Kingdom of God" will get back much more "in this age, and in the age to come eternal life."

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

All Souls and All Saints Day - 5.00pm, Sunday 31 October
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Daylight Saving
Begins next Sunday morning at 2am!!! But since no good Christian is out and about at 2am [except webstering ones!] adjust your clocks before you go to bed after "The Bill". At 9.00pm turn the clock to 10.00pm.
Clocks return to normal on Easter Day 27th March 2005
[to help us get to the early morning service!]

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Calvary Hospital Team - First Sunday each month
From 9.20am to 11.00am each first Sunday,
to gather people from the wards for Church
and return them.
Please talk to Beryl Blaseotto ph. 6247 7230.
P.S. we are getting desperate for help here!

Holy Covenant Anglican Church Breakfast Seminar

Saturday 30 October 8am
La Bruschetta Restaurant Jamison Shopping Centre.
Topic: Islam Today - Speaker: Rev Dr Colin Dundon.
$5 Continental Breakfast, $10 cooked breakfast. Please see notice board for details.

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An Iranian Christian (M) deported from Baxter Detention Centre to Iran.
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The departed: Luke, Evangelist and Martyr; Marjorie Sheehan (d.23/10/01); David Reid (d.27/10/94)

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SUNDAY 31st October 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

5.00pm All Saints and All Souls service - followed by supper and drinks.

Readings:

- Habakkuk 1:1-4
- Psalm 119:137-144
- 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
- Luke 19:1-10

Rosters:
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Sunday 31st October 2004
Twenty second Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion APBA p119
5pm All Saints and All Souls

Readings:

- Habakkuk 1:1-4
- Psalm 119:137-144
- 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
- Luke 19:1-10

Hymns at 10am: Together in Song 227, 428, 599ii, 217i
Organist: Meg Colwell

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

This evening at 5.00pm we celebrate All Saints Day and All Souls Day rolled into one event. November the 1st and 2nd are the two days set aside for these observances but I have always felt that two celebrations tend to give the impression of two classes of the faithful departed (a sort of first class and economy class heaven!). Such an idea is silly and even objectionable when we reflect on the nature of God's revelation in Christ. As our thanks for the saints in every generation and as a point of reflection and beauty we offer the Cantata "Christus, der ist mein Leben" transl. "Christ is my Life" by J. S. Bach. There will also be an opportunity to remember and celebrate the life of those we have loved who have moved on to share God's wonder and eternal life. If you have not done so already please enter the name(s) on the list of those to be mentioned in our prayers.

We celebrate this morning the Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost where the readings have the undertones of God's coming to people. In the reading from the Old Testament God answers the question of Habakkuk about the wrong he sees around him The answer is to remain faithful until God's time is right Paul has an expectation of the Lord's imminent return in great power. Then in the gospel the lonely and rejected Zachaeus actively seeks Jesus. As Zachaeus meets with Jesus he blossoms as a person and as a child of Abraham.

Last Sunday our Parish Electoral Meeting was held. I asked Devin Combs Bowles to be Rectors Warden and he accepted from Tucson Arizona. I might add that Devin is the first Rectors Warden I have had who accepted from Tucson! The other two Peoples Wardens positions have been left vacant for now! Elected to Parish Council are James Kim, Helen Palethorpe, Richard Wade (who delivered a policy speech) and Shane Woodburn. My nominations are Janine Studholme and Elizabeth Allinson (both volunteered!). Synod Representatives are Ashton Robinson, Devin CB, and Brian McKinlay. Alternative Synod Reps. are Kerry Anne Cousins, Dimitri Markotsis and Sarah Gowty. Parish members of the Clergy Appointment Board are Chris Cheah, Ian Cousins, and Denise Manley. Thank you to all who were willing to take up office for 2005. The search for Wardens continues!

I was amazed at the variation and complexity of the voting systems

used in the USA for their elections as revealed on "Four Corners" last Monday. Many had no written voting record. Then there was the debacle where almost 60000 postal votes were lost in Florida (where there was so much difficulty at the last election). On top of that the position of President is limited to the very wealthy by the very nature of the contest. Also the US Supreme Court voted according to their political tendencies to resolve the last election! Is this the sort of "democracy" the US wants to export? Even though our compulsory voting system is a little irksome I am much more comfortable about the democracy of the electoral process in Australia!

Rob Lamerton.

NOTICES

All Saints Readings:

- Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
- Psalm 149
- Ephesians 1:11-23
- Luke 6:20-31

All Saints All Souls Service
5.00pm Today, Sunday 31 October
Followed by supper and drinks, please bring a plate of food to share.

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As a special feature, the Cantata "Christus, der ist mein Leben" (Christ is my life) by JS Bach will be performed.

All Saints Day Eucharist
Sunday 31st October 2004
5.00pm

St Philip's Mass Setting
Organist: Colin Forbes

with
Cantata BWV 95
"Christus, der ist mein Leben"
(Christ is my life)
J.S. Bach

Singers:
Marco Agostini
Rob Clayton
Anastasia Dalziell
Alison Knight

Accompanists:
Colin Forbes and Michael Brown

Hymns: Together in Song: 108, 99, 521, 470

Welcome back Marco!
It is great to have Marco Agostini back among us ever so briefly to sing for All Saints day with Alison, Anastasia and Rob.

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Faure's Requiem
At All Saint's Ainslie - Tuesday 2 November (All Soul's Day) 7-30pm

The case of the exploding television!
Michael Fitzgerald Clarke's television exploded without warning last week leaving him unable to watch educational programs such as Australian Idol.
If you have a TV (the non exploding type) you can spare, please let me know!

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SUNDAY 7th November 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Haggai 1:15 - 2:9
- Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
- Luke 20:27-40

Rosters:
Cleaning: Dimitri Markotsis
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Sunday 7th November 2004
Twenty third Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion APBA p119
Baptism of Noah James Palethorpe

Readings:

- Haggai 1:15 - 2:9
- Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
- Luke 20:27-40

Hymns at 10am: Together in Song 494, 590, 491, 779, 135
Organist: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

It is a real blessing to be gathering at 10.00am for the Baptism of Noah James Palethorpe! Noah had such a battle at the beginning of his short life! Thanks be to God for the awareness of local doctors who diagnosed his heart valve problem, the availability of emergency transport, and the medical staff at Westmead Hospital and of course Noah's great mum and dad, Rebecca and Stephen. Not to forget Elise and Jarrah, and the many family, friends and church family for loving and faithful prayers! Well, I could go on! Noah we are pleased to be here to see this day and breathe a sigh and quiet "Thanks God!"

Noah's baptism is hardly a welcome as he has been with us since soon after arriving home from hospital. His baptism is a recognition of something that is already very real his membership in the Body of Christ and his presence among the disciples of Jesus not only at St Philip's but among the Home Church led by Richard Begbie. A welcome to all who come to be with Noah at his baptism today! I do invite all who wish to also share in Holy Communion with us today.

I was amazed to discover that many voters in the US elections rated "Moral Issues" as more important than the war in Iraq. Surely when people are killed in their thousands in what was and is an illegal conflict it has to be a "Moral Issue"! It seems killing Arabs and Muslims (not forgetting the US and British soldiers and others) is not a moral issue. I recall the words of Elias Chacour, a Palestinian priest, wrote "God does not kill!" Jesus takes the commandment "You shall not murder " and revises it to "You shall not be angry!" and even adds sub clauses about insulting people. Yes the so called Moral Issues of abortion and gay relationships are important to be worked on but surely killing on a grand scale is a primary "Moral Issue" especially when the premise for the war in the first place has been shown to be false! PS There is also a commandment about bearing "false witness" against one's neighbour!

Rob Lamerton.

NOTICES

St Marks National Theological Centre FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12 at 6.00PM in the Chapel

End of year celebration
Speaker: Dr. Thorwald Lorenzen.
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Our son John writes: "If you'd like to know what's going on my end of the globe, you can now check out my website on the below link" http://johnlammo.tripod.com We think it is interesting and others have asked for the address, Sooooo!

This Little Light of Mine

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

2. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine.

3. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
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Margaret Hassan as well as others held hostage.
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The departed: Richard Hooker, priest and teacher (d.1600), Frances Joyce Trivett (d 3/11/88); Keith Ashish Huey Sen (d 4/11/86)

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Readings:

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- for the psalm - A Song of Isaiah (page 391)
- 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
- Luke 21:5-19

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Twenty fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion APBA p168
10.00am Holy Communion and Baptism APBA p.51
Baptism of Jesse Dot White

Readings:

- Isaiah 65.17-25
- (for the psalm) A Song of Isaiah (page 391)
- 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13
- Luke 21.5-19

Hymns at 10am: Together in Song 560i, 263, 491, 544, 545
Organist: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Welcome to Paul and Jenny White who bring little Jesse Dot White for Baptism. A little sister for Tyler, Jesse is the great granddaughter of Dot Mayo one of the original members of St Philip's and one our very own "saints". Welcome Jesse with your godparents Paul and Lisa and family.

The death of Yasser Arafat, Palestinian President this week has been met with various responses. I was raised with the view that he was no more than a terrorist but then I came to see that what was called terrorism was the response to another terrorism, the eviction of his people from their land and the continued oppression by the increasingly powerful state of Israel. It seems all very unclear to me who are the terrorists in a very confusing situation! Whatever our opinion Yasser Arafat always reminded us of the hope of the Palestinian people for their own state and self-determination. There was no "State of Israel" until in the aftermath of the trauma of World War 2 and the oppression of the Jews of Europe by Hitler's Nazi Party. The Palestinians hope is for a return to what in recent memory was theirs. On the other hand the Israelis hope to hold on to what they believe is theirs because of an historic tradition – the "Promised Land" the ancient kings of Israel, Jerusalem and the Temple.

The Temple is at the centre of two of our readings today! In the final chapters of Isaiah he expresses the hope that the Temple will be a focus of faith and healing of the nations, of unity and peace. The temple in Jerusalem was destroyed again in 186BC and rebuilt by Herod the Great. In the Gospel reading Jesus is aware that the tensions of his day will eventually again bring destruction to this great and glorious building. Sure enough this did happen some 37 years later in 70AD. Jesus laments the loss of the temple but reminds his followers that it is God who will sustain them by the gift of the Spirit (this is what is described in Luke's further writing). Jesus speaks about destroying this temple and is misunderstood! No temple is needed! Jesus points us to the truth that our body is the temple in which God chooses to dwell. Our hope is for God's presence and rule among us.

Rob Lamerton.

NOTICES

The Diocesan Ordination will take place at St Saviour's Cathedral on St Andrew's Day, Tuesday, 30 November at 6.00pm. Please pray for those to be ordained: **Deacons:-** Helen Cowgill (Twofold Bay), Malcolm Dunnett (Cobargo), Stephen Gunther (Pearce), Geoff Hoad (Young DAM), Stephen Neuhaus (Townsville - Australian Defence Force) **Priests:-** Linda Chapman (Bodalla), Pauline Dare (TBA), Rebecca Newland (Jamison/Radford College), David Ruthven (Karabar)

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Women in Black will line Melbourne Avenue that morning 7-30am to 8-45am. Any woman, wearing black, is welcome to stand in vigil, for justice and peace and against war and violence.

Later in the day, refugee groups will converge on the Parliament. From all over Australia, they will gather to hear speakers 12-30 to 1-45pm.
Then 1.30 to 2pm: Arrival of the Governor General to open parliament and march to further venues for protest.

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Kankinya Summer Christmas Fair
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The departed: Leo of Rome, bishop and teacher (d.461); Martin, bishop of Tours (d.387); Charles Simeon, evangelist (d.1836); Geoffrey Rossiter, Theo Freeth (AFP chaplain), Barbara Browning (mother of Bp. George)

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8pm CAMRA's The Sorcerer — Opening night

SUNDAY 21st November 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Jeremiah 23.1-6
- for the psalm – Song of Zechariah (page 30)
- Colossians 1.11-20
- Luke 23.33-43

Rosters:
Cleaning: Shane & Tim Woodburn
Flowers: Sandra Lamerton
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10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson
Morning Tea 10am: Rhyana & Amanda

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- (for the psalm at 8am) — Song of Zechariah (page 30)
- Colossians 1.11-20
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Hymns at 10am: Together in Song 133, For Canticle 284, 628, 278, 237
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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

It is always good to welcome people home after time away and it is especially good to welcome Ashton Robinson home from Iraq. We thank God for his safe return! (I expect Cathy and Sigrid breathed a collective sigh of relief as well!) Ashton has agreed to tell us something of his experiences with Iraqi Christians and some of the "good news" stories we do not often hear. Thanks Ashton and welcome home!

Also home this week is Devin Combs Bowles from a month and Presidential Election in the USA. Fortunately Devin also got to see his family and at the same time accept to be Rector's Warden from Tucson, Arizona! Not quite as dangerous as Iraq but we are pleased to see you back safe and sound Devin.

Today we come to the end of the Sundays after Pentecost as we celebrate "Christ the King" or "The Reign of Christ" Sunday. The Sundays of Pentecost give us time to ponder the aspects of our life's journey with God under the guidance of the Holy Spirit! The culmination is that we recognize Christ as our King and indeed his reign and rule in all things. The Crucified King of Palm Sunday and Easter is also the Coming King! Coming to reign in all things Christ prepares us by his coming to us day by day! As we give ourselves over to the righteousness of God and attempt to live in his goodness and justice the Reign of Christ comes a little closer.

As we think about the grand plan of God we turn our attention to our small part with the preparation and change we are called to make and the way in which God's purpose is made known in the humanity of Jesus. The grand plan turns us around to focus again on Jesus and his earthly journey begun at his birth at Bethlehem. And so next Sunday we enter Advent — the beginning! We begin all over again to ponder God's coming to us!

Part of the preparation of Advent is to think about being ready and making the way for the Lord. The Christmas Bowl gives us the opportunity to bring the touch of God to situations around the world and so to participate in preparing the way. This year the theme is "give courage, give hope, give peace".

Please take the Christmas Bowl envelopes home and be generous in giving!

Rob Lamerton.

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CAMRA presents Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Sorcerer"
8pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Bookings ph 6249 6067

A percentage of profits go towards St Philip's, so please show your support by attending and promoting it to all your friends.
All proceeds from the suppers will go towards our Parish's Mission Projects. Helpers are required to serve supper each night, please contact Leighton (6260 8030) if you can assist any night. Thanks.

St Philip's Advent Dinner 7pm Friday 3 December
in the Courtyard, $15 adults, $10 children, $40 family

BYO drinks, all proceeds to our Mission Projects.
RSVP Sunday 28th November — list on the notice board.

Kankinya Summer Christmas Fair
Saturday 27th November from 10am to 2pm at Kankinya Aged Care Facility 48 Archibald Street Lyneham — Cakes Books, Crafts plants, Clown Bar b Que, Christmas Craft, Devonshire Teas and much more!!!!

Lyneham High School Carols
Friday November 26th at 6.00pm. See Notice Board for details!

National Gospel Happening
At various venues from 21st to 28th November, Franklin St Manuka, Parliament House, National Gallery, St Christopher's Cathedral, Wesley Centre, St Andrew's

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10am:1st Kim Begbie 2nd Yasmin or Rick Barrington-Knight
Sidespersons:
8am: Clive Lowes
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Morning Tea 10am: Rhyana & Amanda

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Tuesday-Friday: 8am: Morning Prayer 5pm: Evening Prayer
Tuesday:11.00am Area Deans Meeting with the Bishop
Wednesday: 10am Holy Communion
Thursday: 6.00pm NO Meal and Study Group
Friday: 10.00am -1.00pm Pandora's Open
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SUNDAY 28th November 2004
ADVENT SUNDAY

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Isaiah 2:1-5
- Psalm 122
- Romans 13:9-14
- Matthew 24:36-44

Rosters:
Cleaning: Rhyana & Amanda Tarlington
Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins
Readers 8am: 1st Joyce Webster 2nd Shane Woodburn
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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Today is the First Sunday of Advent. Advent means "beginning" and so we find ourselves back at the beginning again! After the celebration of Christ the King as the culmination of the weeks of Pentecost and thoughts of the totality of the reign or rule of Christ we are forced to wonder what it all means. The rule of Christ is only possible if Christ conies to us! We prepare to receive him as a child and journey with him so we come to know the secrets of faith love and obedience to God. So, in Advent we prepare for his coming!

The words of Jeremiah last week pondered the failures of earthly kingdoms and worldly authority. Jeremiah questioned the leadership of four of the kings of Judah, Josiah, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, and Zedekiah leading to the eventual overthrow of Jerusalem in 587. Some of these were nothing more than front men for their supporting powers. His main lament was that they had formed alliances with the Babylonians, Egyptians and Assyrians to prop up their own regimes and failed to lead and care for their people with faith and wisdom.

The story prompted me to wonder about our leaders today! Are we so concerned about alliances which give some international security that issues of justice and welfare, health and education within our own borders are viewed as less important. I heard a comment this week about how combating terrorism would be beneficial to trade. I believe it ought to be reversed that fair and just trade which is also seen to be fair and just trade must be a natural combatant to terrorism! I am also concerned that the Australian Labor Party is considering disconnecting itself from the Union movement at a time when the workforce is becoming increasingly part time and casualised The current situation calls for a changing approach by Unions but not a dissociation of Labor from the Union movement. If the Labor Party can force the governments hand on aspects of the Free Trade Agreement with the USA (albeit in a different political climate) possibly the Labor Party could prove its worth in helping

Unions negotiate unfair dismissal legislation which serves employers and employees as well as the nation as a whole.

Jeremiah's concerns remind us the failures of governments and other human institutions. So what can we do how do we respond? We can think there is little we can do OR do as much as we can as individuals and as lobby groups. Churches and congregations can be very effective lobby and/or action groups. We can take up issues in our local area and we can work with the greater body of Christians to bring about change. One of the great issues being faced in the world today is the spread of HIV/AIDS. It is World Aids Day on Wednesday December 1st and the task of the Church is to be active in education and prevention as well as care and healing around the world. The Christmas Bowl Appeal reminds us that our response to Christ is to do what we can to make the changes necessary for his world to be also changed. Give courage, give hope, give peace!

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"The eggs and the ham and the strawberry jam,
The rollicking bun and the gay Sally Lunn!"
And so we have come to the end of the season of CAMRA's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Sorcerer". It was a great show with strong performances all round! Congratulations to Colin and Pat Forbes and the whole cast! If there was a message it was that we cannot manipulate situations and relationships to please ourselves without cost and confusion. In the end what will be will be and we need to work with what God gives!
Thanks to Leighton Mann and the staff of the food bar for funds raised for missions!

In all my welcomings last week I omitted to welcome back Ian Cousins.

Welcome back Ian!

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6.00pm Diocesan Ordination at Goulburn
Wednesday: 10am Holy Communion
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Friday: 10.00am -1.00pm Pandora's Open
7.00pm **Advent Dinner in the Courtyard**
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SUNDAY 5th December 2004
ADVENT TWO

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Isaiah 11:1-10
- Psalm 72:1-7, 18-21
- Romans 15:4-13
- Matthew 3:1-12

Rosters:
Cleaning: Pat Forbes
Flowers: Carola Parke
Readers 8am: 1st Devin Combs Bowles 2nd John Girdlestone
10am:1st Beryl Holder 2nd Joyce Webster
Sidespersons:
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10am: Chris Cheah and Roger Sharp
Morning Tea 10am: Dimitri and helpers

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Trading Table $12, Pandora's $115.50, ABM $20

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8.00am and 10am Holy Communion APBA p119

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Hymns at 10am: Together in Song 276, 294, 289 (v 1, 2 and chorus at candle lighting), 282 (tune 411), 283
Organist: Colin Forbes

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

We are really on the downhill run to Christmas when we hear that Westfield Belconnen will be open for 32 hours straight at one stage in the lead up to Christmas! What does this say about our need to have all the toys, gifts, decorations, food, wine and drink and Christmas trimmings? Where have we gone wrong? Our whole way of life appears to be built upon this mad cycle of buying and selling, and as we have been reminded recently our dependence on credit and debt! Surely we as Christians have something to say amidst the expectation to spend and to have more and more. In the midst of Advent as we prepare for Christmas we are asked to reflect on those whose needs are greater than ours.

The Christmas Bowl Appeal draws our attention this week to the indiscriminate killing of civilians by military forces in the Philippines and to the needs of the many who are refugees from the conflict in Southern Sudan. It is a conflict which has been going on for about 25 years with numerous promises of peace agreements and ceasefires but which have lead to nothing.

Today's story is about Asunta who at twenty eight has had more than a fair share of struggle and suffering. She says

"I am here in Kenya because of disease and hunger all caused by the war. We have no seeds for agriculture or tools for farming. There are no hospitals or schools in our area It has taken me just over two months to get here, me and my seven children. My milk has dried up because we have not enough food. My little baby is starving and may die."

"My husband was recently killed in the fighting. He was a wonderful

man, gifted by God; but now he is gone. We have to walk carefully at night. If the government forces see a group of people walking towards Kenya, they bomb us. This is a most fearful thing for a mother."

'We Christians of the southern Sudan need the help of the Christmas Bowl. Even if you refuse to give us any thing, please listen to us. Please listen to our story and share our suffering. Please pray for us."

"I worry about my baby. Each night I ask myself: Will she wake up tomorrow? Why are the Arabs doing this to us? And why is the world letting it happen?"

Our reading today from Isaiah shows his hope for a new king"a shoot from the stump of Jesse" one from the lineage of David (Jesse is David's father) and will rule with"the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord." Harmony and peace are emphasized by Isaiah and in the reading from Romans. In the gospel John seems to be very provocative and confronting as he announces the nearness of the kingdom of heaven. His whole message is about the need for real and genuine change in preparation for the ministry of the one who is coming! This is why we hear so much about justice as we prepare for the celebration of the Lord's birth.

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

FUNDS FOR MISSION PROJECTS
Pre show drinks & suppers for the season of "The Sorcerer" has raised $1000. We plan to purchase a small refrigerator for the church and the balance will be for the Parish Mission Projects. Thanks to all our servers/helpers: Shane, Tim, Sarah, Margaret, Rosemary, Alison, Rob & James.

Thanks to Pat Forbes, Denise Manley and Shane Woodburn for organizing the Advent Dinner on Friday evening!

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THE ADVENT CANDLE
Today we light the second purple candle of the Advent Wreath! Although I normally ask families with young children to light the candle. I have asked Washington and Catherine to do so today and to tell us about their family back in Kenya. They have five children: Rebecca, Anne,Debra, Zedekiah (Zeddy) and Isaac. Washington and Catherine also care for a niece and nephew Lucy and Yunis following the death of Catherine's sister.
Thanks be to God for a large family to help with their care!

CAMP PELICAN
Camp Pelican has been the Diocesan Youth Camping program since 1979.
Each year over the Christmas holidays at Tathra four week long camps are held for young people in Years 516, 718, 9/10 and 11/12 plus.
This year the Year 516 camp begins on 26th Dec with Kathryn Ranger (Director) and Dimitri Markotsis as part of the leadership team.
The teams are to be commissioned tonight at St James Kippax.
If you know anybody interested or who we could assist to attend a camp please let me know!

STAMPS
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TREES LOPPED
For safety reasons we have had the trees around St Philip's trimmed and dead trees removed.

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SUNDAY 12th December 2004
ADVENT THREE

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Isaiah 35:1-10
- *for the Psalm* Song of Mary p31
- Romans 5:7-10
- Matthew 11:2-11

Rosters:
Cleaning: Washington Oloo
Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth
Readers
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Organist: Colin Forbes

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Flowers are given today to remember Peter Blaseotto (d. 10/12/03) and Joseph Heaton (d. 31/12/88)

From Rob

Hi Everyone,

After neglecting to make note of Linda Anchell (Deacon), our preacher last week, I should acknowledge Chris Cheah our preacher this week! Chris has chosen some un-traditional hymns for this Third Sunday of Advent however they are all have the Advent themes very much woven through them. Through Advent we will hear of the Advent themes of preparedness and expectancy, hope peace, love and joy from our various speakers. The Rev'd Jeannette McHugh is our speaker for Advent 4. Thanks also to Jeannette who is presiding at the Eucharist at Calvary Hospital with the St Philip's Team on the first Sunday of each month.

Each week in Advent we have been reflecting on the Christmas Bowl Appeal and the way in which it gives courage hope and peace. However this week I was very very much moved by the article from the Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza which I have reprinted on the Advent Prayer sheet. I would put it in the "When you think you are having a hard time" department. Is it any wonder people turn to terrorism or total despair when we read such news and yet they ask us to pray for the peace Jesus came to give then close with a Christmas Blessing. Such faith and hope in the darkness is what Christmas is

surely about!

Isaiah records the joy of the return of God's people and the evidence among them of healing and newness while James counsels patience. Surely joy should be tempered with patience! Jesus asks his questioners what do they see happening and they see the healing and newness of God at work in him. This what we rejoice in, wait for, hope for!

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

Christmas Flowers — Donations are needed of predominantly white and yellows for arranging on Friday 24th Dec. Donations of Holly are also needed!

Rosters Rosters and more Rosters!

The Morning Tea Roster will be having a break in January! A new roster for 2005 is being drawn up as we speak! Please contact Ryanna Tarlington on
62472008. The more helpers the less often you work!
The Cleaning Roster is being drawn up for 2005! Please contact JanineStudholme on 62415894 to be sure of the best places! Please remember that volunteer cleaners save the parish about $2000 per year.

Servers in the Sanctuary! More are needed! This is not limited to any age group so please if you have wondered about this vital ministry in our worship please talk to me as soon as possible.

St Philip's Carols Service
Sunday 19 December 7-30pm

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Zara Mann is one year old! Happy Birthday Zara! I believe we are having a small celebration after church today.

NORTHBOURNE COMMUNITY CENTRE CHRISTMAS PARTY

To enable Robin Moore to make the Northbourne Community Centre Christmas celebration a special occasion, we need gifts of money and light fruit cakes. Please mark your donation "Northbourne CC Christmas Party."

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LETTER BOX DELIVERERS NEEDED!!

To deliver our Christmas leaflets in the O'Connor area. Leaflets and maps are available in the porch. The leaflets need to go out this week to let people know about the Service of Carols and Readings next week!

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ADVENT FOUR

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7-30pm Carol Service (Carols and Readings)

Readings:

- Isaiah 7:10-16
- Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
- Romans 1:1-7
- Matthew 1:18-25

Rosters:
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Interview with Ms. Suhaila Tarazi, Director
Ahli Arab Hospital, Gaza
December 4, 2004

Today the situation is critical. There is so much uncertainty about the upcoming elections, and the siege continues to take place. There are

concerns about personal security and we are living in a chaotic situation. We need to push for negotiations to continue, and for peace. We need this push for peace because there is too much suffering here and most people have lost hope. We are afraid of the continuation of such suffering, that it will lead to violence, and that Gaza will explode again - and this time it will not end.

Nevertheless, Ahli Arab Hospital is still active and doing our best to reach those in need. We have outreach clinics nearly every week, and are targeting new areas with new missions. There are still hundreds that we are unable to reach due to a shortage of funds. We are grateful to all who have support this project, and have participated in putting a smile on the face of so many ill Gazans. We have expanded the surgical services in the hospital, especially in the area of urology, and we hope to expand this work even more in 2005.

During the October incursion of the Israeli military into north Gaza, one of our hospital members lost her home. Ezzia and her family are refugees, and had just moved into a new home in Jabaliya, only moved in six months before. They are still paying on their debts for their home and had done nothing. This home, along with ten others, was in the way of the route the tanks decided to follow, abandoning the roads in the process. They were unable to get anything out; no personal papers, jewelry, or anything. The bulldozer began to demolish the balcony while they were still inside, and one daughter was in the shower. Ezzia and her husband escaped with only their six children. Her husband has been ill with a brain tumor as well, and does not move quickly. Ezzia works as a nursing assistant at the hospital and is the only one to support the family. One of her children was shot in the neck during the incursion and was treated at Ahli Arab Hospital, and fortunately does not have any permanent damage. Prior to the demolition of their home, her nephew had been killed a few days before.

The adolescent child of another staff member went to go help his friend, who has been shot by an Israeli sniper during the October incursion, and was killed himself. He was seventeen. His father has experienced such psychological trauma, that he has not been able to return to work. He works to save the lives of others, but was not able to save the life of his child.

Ahli Arab Hospital is a small family, and we have suffered so much, just from the October invasion of Jabaliya Camp. Imagine how many others have suffered? Please ask all peace lovers to pray for the people of Palestine. Jesus come to give us peace. Palestine is the hometown of Jesus, and he talked about peace. He was crucified for

this. We ask you to pray, and to talk about our suffering, and to work to help us achieve peace.

We convey our Christmas greetings to all our friends, all over the world. May the blessing of Christmas be with you now and forever.

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CHRISTMAS

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Sunday 19th December 2004
Advent Four

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8.00am and 10am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Isaiah 7:10-16
- Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
- Romans 1:1-7
- Matthew 1:18-25

Soloist today: Anastasia Dalziell
After the Creed:"Ave Maria"
At Holy Communion: from "Magnificat in D" - Bach.
"Et Exultavit Spiritus Meus"
transl. "And My Spirit hath Rejoiced in God My Saviour"
And A Hymn to the Virgin - Edmund Rubbra
a translation is below.

Psalm Response: Show the light of your countenance,
O Lord God of hosts and we shall be saved

Hymns 10am: Together in Song 265, 289(v.1-4), 587, 290, 297
Organist: Colin Forbes

Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks! Extras for Christmas gratefully received!

From Rob

Hi Everyone,

Thanks to all Santa's elves and other helpers who got together and mailed out my Christmas Letter and also to those who looked after the Kindergarten during the "Great Flood of 2004" while I was swanning (maybe that should be swimming!) about in rainy old Melbourne.

As we prepare in Advent for Christmas we are also getting ready for holidays and the long hot days of summer we are also preparing for the end of the year! For the Parish Treasurer Shane Woodburn that means checking the Income and Expenditure for the year 2004 at St Philip's. In my Christmas Letter we have included this year a request for a Christmas gift from those who may not have been able to make a contribution through the year. It also offers those who may have

recently won the lottery to give a tithe of their million dollars! (And you thought we didn't know!).

The Rev'd Jeannette McHugh is our preacher today as we come to this last Sunday of Advent. Traditionally this is the Sunday in Advent when we reflect on the faithfulness and life of Mary the Mother of Jesus and today we have some music recalling the place of Mary in God's purpose. In this year of Matthew and as we focus on the events through the eyes of Matthew's Gospel we find however that there is a strong emphasis on Joseph as a human model and father for Jesus. Fortunately we have a Sunday or two after Christmas to meditate on the aspects of the Holy Family.

For me there is always a sense of expectation on this day and in the last days of Advent and the Christmas Bowl Appeal emphasizes this sense of looking out for something to happen. Todays Christmas Bowl Appeal Stories are from Bangladesh, Thailand and Burma. In Bangladesh the Christmas Bowl enables "micro-credit loans" to help people get established in small business ventures and so to break out of the cycle of poverty. Today's story is about Chena who raises and sells chickens. Having started with one dozen chickens she now sells 400 chickens at market while breeding with another 200. Similarly Hussein was enabled to set up a rickshaw repair business but now builds about seven rickshaws per month. Things do happen when people get a helping hand!

The Christmas Bowl Appeal also assists with the care of those with AIDS through a program in Chang Mai operated by The Church of Christ in Tailand. This provides home care and relieves the pressure on hospitals. In Burma The Christmas Bowl works with AusAID to provide food medicine and shelter for many refugees on the Thai Burma border.

If you are wondering why the Christmas Bowl picture on the front of the pewsheet has not been changed it is because the page of pictures has gone missing. Probably somewhere in my study! Please remember the Christmas Bowl Appeal!

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

TONIGHT 7.30PM CAROLS AND READINGS
READERS REQUIRED! STAY FOR SUPPER AFTERWARDS!

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Christmas Flowers — Donations are needed of predominantly white and yellows for arranging on Friday 24th Dec. Donations of Holly are also needed!

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remember that volunteer cleaners save the parish about $2000 per year.

Anglicare also has a Christmas Appeal and promotion with Anglicare Angels.
Angels are available for those who would like to purchase them.
Prices are: Pens $4 and Angels $2
These are the last available!

NORTHBOURNE COMMUNITY CENTRE CHRISTMAS PARTY

To enable Robin Moore to make the Northbourne Community Centre Christmas celebration a special occasion, we need gifts of money and light fruit cakes. Please mark your donation "Northbourne CC Christmas Party."

CAMP PELICAN

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The departed: Alice Isabel Saylor (d.20/12/88); Lucy, virgin and martyr (d.304); John of the Cross, mystic and teacher (d.1591); Thomas, apostle and martyr.

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Readers:
8am: 1st Mark Boyle 2nd Carola Parke
10am: 1st Ann Munro 2nd Washington Oloo
Sidespersons:
8am: Clive Lowes
10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson
Morning Tea 10am: Rhyana & Amanda

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9am Holy Communnion with Carols

SUNDAY 26th December 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Isaiah 63.7-9
- Psalm 148
- Hebrews 2.10-18
- Matthew 2.13-23

Rosters:
Cleaning: Rhonda Evans
Flowers: Volunteers
Readers
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8am: Ian Rischbieth
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Morning Tea 10am: Ann, Bridget & Claire

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Christmas Bowl $115, Anglicare Angels $11, Pandora's $139.20, Northbourne Community Christmas Party $20

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Of one that is so fair and bright
Like the star of the Sea,
Brighter than the day is light,
Mother and maiden:
I cry to thee, thou turn to me,
Lady, pray thy son for me,
Holy,
That I may come to thee,
Mary,
Lady flower of all things,
Rose without a thorn,
Thou bearest Jesus,
Heavenly King, by divine grace:
Of all thou bearest the prize,
Lady, Queen of Paradise
Chosen:
Mild mother you are made

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7pm Children's Service Pianist: Meg Colwell
11pm Carol Singing
Together in Song

11.30pm Sung Eucharist (Midnight Mass)
Readings:

- Isaiah 9: 2-7
- Psalm 96
- Titus 2.11-14
- Luke 2.1-14

Hymns: See Booklet
The offertory Hymn is Together in Song 281
Organist: Colin Forbes
Readers: Ashton Robinson and Joyce Webster
Sidespersons: Ian Rischbeith, Peter Andersson

and Fred Anchell

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From Rob

Hi Everyone,

As we come together to celebrate Christmas The Celebration of Christ there are many things for which to give thanks! The peace and security we take almost for granted and the prosperity and economic growth of our country. We give thanks too for our nations ability to participate in helping to develop and maintain law and order peace and security in Papua New Guinea and The Solomon Islands and even though I disagree with the war in Iraq I pray that those who seek to establish peace and security there are kept safe. Let us be positive and hopeful that gradually after some terrible incidents of Aboriginal unrest in our own country we may sensitively and with respect find ways forward.

We give thanks for and dedicate at the Midnight mass some gifts from Irene and Lawrence Keast. Lawrence died some years ago in 1990. Irene was a wonderfully gracious and well organised woman with a gift for asking difficult questions! Irene passed to her rest earlier this year and arranged in her last weeks to provide for a sanctuary table and new white vestments to replace some which are no longer suitable. A plaque on the table says very simply "This table is the gift of Irene and Lawrence Keast faithful servants of God and members of St Philip's". Thanks go to the members of the Keast family for making sure these gifts came to be and thanks be to God for Lawrence and Irene.

The work of Robin Moore at the Northbourne Community Centre in the Northbourne Flats each Monday has provided a place for meeting and community building amongst those living in the flats and other public housing. This year total attendance has reached 3500 with 120 attending the Christmas Party last Monday! Robin is wonderfully supported by Peter, Morgan, Chris, Isabel, David, Edna and Liz Drysdale with the bulk of funds coming from the Dickson Tradesmen's Union Club and Anglicare. St Philip's Parish also provides funds!

On Sunday (Boxing Day) which is also the First Sunday after Christmas we will welcome in Baptism Laura Jean Michell. Laura come with parents Sarah and Mark and godparents/sponsors Catherine and Shannon Brown. As we celebrate The Holy Family we reflect on our calling to be a Holy Family!

May the Christmas celebration of the coming of the Christ child in Bethlehem be a sign of God's love and a reminder of God's reaching out to all humanity through Jesus. I pray that God's Love Joy and Peace may be your gifts at Christmas and that they may sustain you throughout the New Year ahead!

Rob Lamerton

Saturday 25th December 2004 — Christmas Day

9am Holy Communion with Carols

Readings:

- Isaiah 62: 6-9
- Psalm 97
- Titus 3: 4-8a
- Luke 2: 8-20

Hymns: Together in Song
Organist: Colin Forbes
Readers: Joyce Webster
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10am Holy Communion and Baptism APBA p51

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Those who grieve, especially Joyce Anchell and family, Jim Fraser's family
The departed: Jim Fraser, father of Camp Pelican, Ted Anchell; Norma Florence Reynolds (d.28/12/2000), Irene (d. 17/4/04) and Lawrence Keast (d. 24/9/90), John, Apostle and Martyr; Holy Innocents; Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr (d. 1170); Josphine Butler, social reformer (d. 1905); John Wyclif, teacher and reformer (d. 1384)

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SUNDAY 2nd January 2005

The Naming and Circumcison of Jesus
8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Numbers 6: 22-27
- Psalm 8
- Galatians 4: 4-7
- Luke 2: 15-21

Rosters:
Cleaning: Dimitri Markotsis (who is at Camp Pelican!)
Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins
Readers:
8am: 1st John Girdlestone 2nd Devin Combs Bowles
10am: 1st Chris Cheah 2nd Kerry Davis
Sidespersons:
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