# "Come and see," said Philip
# *Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor!*

Sunday 1 February 2009

## Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

**8am & 10am Eucharist**:
*the service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**Readings:**
Deuteronomy 18.15-20
Psalm 111 - *page 343*
1 Corinthians 8.1-13 Mark 1.21-28

**10am Hymns:** *Together in Song*;
**188, 448, 259, 652**

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***Water, Tea & Coffee** available in the Foyer*

*Dear Friends,*
*Well, here we are with the first pew bulletin for another year! Welcome to St Philip's for this celebration of the Sunday Eucharist.*
*Now that most people are back to their normal routines, with the holiday period over, I am in fact in the midst of a ten day break. I am very grateful to the Reverend Jeannette McHugh for leading the worship services while I am away.*
*We also welcome children back from holidays for their own ministry programme that re-commences this morning with Bel Young, our Children's Ministry Co-ordinator.*
*Finally, I want to take the opportunity to express our gratitude to Alex O'Sullivan for the splendid way he has looked after us in leading the music for our worship during the time that Colin and Pat have been overseas. I am sure we are all deeply appreciative of the way Alex has offered this ministry for us.*
*Every blessing to you all for this week, and I hope to see you again next Sunday, Ray.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**The World**: Zimbabwe and African Union Leaders meeting in Ethiopia today. Palestine and Israel; meetings seeking peace. Reconstruction in Gaza. Sri Lanka.
**With Christians in the UK and Ireland we pray: "**Break down the walls that separate us and unite us in a single body."

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**The Anglican Church in**: Central Africa
**The Primate:** Archbishop Phillip Aspinall; The General Synod. Acting General Secretary, The Right Reverend Richard Appleby
**The Bishops' Office:** Bishop Stuart Robinson, Bishop Allan Ewing, Bishop Trevor Edwards, Bev Forbes; Diocesan Registry:

Anglican Development Fund:
**Pray for:** The twenty-three Dioceses of the Australian Anglican Church
**Remember:** our own Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn as Bp Robinson starts his ministry amongst us.
**Our Community:** School students and teachers as they resume the year.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Claude Woodbridge, Mira Barratt, Peter, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell.
**The Departed:** Carol Andersson 24/01/09, Clara Madge "Clare" Baker d.30/1/03, Stanley R. Morton d.31/1/99, Jean Olivette Cousins d.31/1/87, Douglas Benjamin Hobson, priest d.1/2/69
**The Saints**: Anskar, missionary bishop in Sweden (d.865); Martyrs of Japan, crucified at Nagasaki (d.1597)

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Communion Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty

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| | Flowers: | ?? |
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| | Reader: | Volunteer |
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| | Morning Tea: | ?? |

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**Sunday Home Group** **Today, 12 noon**

At Denise Manley's place, 14 Luehmann St, Page. Ph: 6254 2838. We will continue our study of "Daughters of Eve - Women of the Bible Speak to Women of Today". All are very welcome. Please see Rhonda (at 8.00am) or Ann Munro or Denise (at 10.00am) for more information.

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Pandora's income 23 & 24 February: $288.15

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Sunday 8 February 2009

## Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

**8am Eucharist**
**10am Eucharist & Children's Program**
*The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**Readings:**
Isaiah 40.21-31 Psalm 147.1-11 - *page 377*
1 Corinthians 9.16-23 Mark 1.29-39

**10am Hymns: *Together in Song*;**
**153**, **638** (tune 376), **674**, **245**

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*Dear Friends,*
*Welcome to the Eucharist at St Philip's this morning. If the forecast is correct, we can expect a very hot morning indeed. So, in more ways than one, we offer a very warm welcome back to Pat and Colin. We hope they have had a wonderful time, but it is good to see them again at St Philip's.*
*We have come to the fifth Sunday after Epiphany today and the readings continue the Epiphany theme of the revelation of God to the world, especially the revelation of God in Jesus Christ. The gospel reading shows Jesus, and God present in Jesus, responding to human need with teaching and healing that sets people free and restores them to wholeness and well-being. Epiphany invites Christians to reflect on the goodness and greatness of God, and to bring God's goodness to others.*
*The fifth Sunday after Epiphany, of course, means that there can't be too many more before Lent. Two, in fact! So, having already had some expressions of interest in a Lent Study programme, this morning there is a leaflet setting out the options and containing a response form by which you can now indicate your intention to join one or other of the groups. You will note that the plan to join with Holy Cross in this programme has developed into three options, as St Margaret's Uniting Church is also offering one. Please give me your response form over the next couple of weeks*

*It is also only three weeks to the parish's Annual Meeting – Sunday, 1st March - and in preparation for the election of Church Wardens and Parish Council Members, there are some nomination forms available this morning.*
*Once again, I would like to express my gratitude to the Reverend Jeannette McHugh for leading the worship services while I have been away.*

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World**:.Palestine and Israel; Reconstruction in Gaza; Sri Lanka.
**With Christians in Belgium, Luxembourg, Netherlands we give thanks for** "Christians who make a strong witness for justice and peace in our world."


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**The Anglican Church in**: Maseno South - (Kenya) The Rt Revd Francis Mwayi Abiero
**Diocese of Bunbury:** Bishop David McCall, Clergy and People
**St John's Canberra:** Paul Black; St John's Care:
The ministry of Defence Force Chaplains, and the Bishop to the Defence Force, Bishop Len Eacott.
**Our Community:** Firefighters and people and country threatened with bushfire.
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**The Saints**: Cyril (d.869) and Methodius, bishop (d.885), missionaries to the Slavs.

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| | Flowers: ?? | |
| **8am:** | Sidespeople: | Tim Woodburn |
| | Reader: | Volunteer |
| **10am:** | Sidespeople: | Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson |
| | Bible Readers: | 1st Ashton Robinson, 2nd Sarah Gowty |
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| | Morning Tea: | ?? |

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Pandora's income 30 & 31 January $179.50
Anglicare Christmas Cards $183.00, Community Fair $45.00

### Morning Tea Roster

Many thanks to those staying on the roster this year for morning tea after the 10am service. We need at least two more volunteers to help out once a month! This is a fun way to be a blessing to all! Please talk to James Kim

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(Second Monday of month). Open to all Parishioners.
Any items of general business to be given to councillors prior to the meeting.

**Liturgy Team Meeting** **following 10am Service, Sunday 22 February**

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## Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

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**Readings:**
Kings 5.1-14 Psalm 30 – *page 249*
1 Corinthians 9.24-27 Mark 1.40-45

**10am Hymns:** *Together in Song*; **179, 647, 473, 607**

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*Dear Friends,*
*Welcome to St Philip's for our celebration of the Eucharist this morning.*
*We come having been through a week of being deeply distressed by the news of the awful loss of life and widespread destruction caused by the bush fires. The Primate, Archbishop Philip Aspinall, has written to all bishops with up-to-date information on needs in Victoria and expressing his sympathy and concern for people who have lost loved ones, homes, animals, crops, businesses and property in the fires. He says that the Anglican churches at King Lake and Marysville were both destroyed, and he adds, "This is a sad way to be beginning 2009. My earnest prayer is that in this darkness light will shine by God's grace and through the working of the Holy Spirit. May we each play our part in bringing that love and hope to bear in these grim and painful circumstances". This morning, at St Philip's, we will have a retiring collection so that anyone who wishes to donate to the Red Cross Community appeal may do so. Anglicare Victoria has recommended that donations be made to this appeal.*

*With Lent just 10 days away, material for the Lent Study Groups needs to be ordered and/or prepared this week. There are copies of the leaflet regarding the study options at the back of the church today and I would appreciate receiving the response form by which you can indicate the group to which you intend to come, if you have not already done so. Let me encourage you to join a group. Being part of one is a great help in preparing spiritually for Holy Week and Easter, and a way of reflecting on your spiritual journey in a focussed way.*

*It is also now only two weeks to the parish's Annual Meeting – Sunday, 1st March - and in preparation for the election of Church Wardens and Parish Council Members, there are some nomination forms available again this morning. Please return them to Shane Woodburn or myself as soon as possible. Thank you.*

*Every blessing to you all for this week, Ray.*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World**: Zimbabwe and its new government.
**With Christians in *Portugal, Spain, Italy, Malta* we give thanks for** Guitars, stomping feet, castanets, the whirl of flamenco dancers, Neapolitan songs.
**The Anglican Church in**: Matlosane (South Africa) **The Rt Revd Stephen Molopi Diseko**
**Diocese of Melbourne:** Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Stephen Hale, Phillip Huggins, Paul White, Clergy and People.
**St Alban the Martyr, Woden:** Rebecca Newland (David Grice)
**Australian Federal Police Chaplains:** Gayl Mills**, Emergency Worker Chaplains**
**Canberra Hospital: Chaplain,** Harley Lockley, and members of the chaplaincy team including CPE students; **Supervisor of CPE,** David Oliphant
**Pray for:** Ministry to mentally ill and depressed people; the work of Lifeline Canberra**.**
**Our Community:** Firefighters and those grieving losses in bushfire.
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Pandora's income 6 & 7 February $273.55

## Five Key Points from Parish Council – February Meeting:

1. The AGM of the Parish is to be held on the 1st of March. **All reports** must be provided to the secretary (Fiona Dyer dyerbf@bigpond.net.au) preferably in electronic format by the **18th of February** to enable circulation prior to the AGM. All reports must be available for viewing prior to the meeting as no reports will be read during the AGM.
2. Nominations for positions on Parish Council are open and nomination can be submitted to the Secretary prior to the meeting. Please consider this as a contribution you can make to the running of the parish. We have a number of people retiring from Parish Council this year as they are at the end of their 2 year term. The task is not onerous - particularly if shared about.
3. St Philip's Day will be celebrated in the Parish with a shared lunch following the Service on the 3rd of May.

4. The parish car has been sold
5. Our parish profile has been drafted and the selection process for a new rector has commenced. A parish meeting will be held on the 18th of February in the evening to meet with Rev Sarah McNeil to discuss our needs.

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**Parish Meeting (Clergy appointment)** **This Wednesday, 18 February, 7.30pm**

A general Parish meeting has been organised to hear and discuss with the Rev'd Sarah Macneil the way forward for St Philips in the process of choosing a new Rector. Sarah, Denise, Chris and Ian would like to encourage everyone who can to come along to hear from each other and express their opinions if they wish. This meeting will go to no later than 9.30 pm at the very latest.

**Liturgy Team Meeting** **Sunday 22 February, following 10am Service**

**Ash Wednesday Services** **Wednesday 25 February, 10am & 7.30pm**

**Working Bee** **Saturday 28 February, 9am - 12 noon**

Call for volunteers and also for refreshments to be supplied,
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## Last Sunday after Epiphany - Transfiguration

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**Readings:**
2 Kings 2.1-12 Psalm 50.1-6, *page 272*
2 Corinthians 4.3-12 Mark 9.2-9

**10am Hymns:** *Together in Song*; **143, 234, 238 & Memorial Hymn for Australian People**

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*Dear Friends,*
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*For many, part of that journey will include participation in one of the study groups that will be meeting throughout Lent. It is good to note that twenty five people from the St Philip's congregations have indicated their intention to join one of the groups. May I remind you of the arrangements for those studies.*
*For the study that is being led by Erica, Grace to You, the groups will meet at Holy Cross on Monday evenings at 7.30 (commencing on 2nd March) and Thursday mornings at 10.30 (commencing on 5th March).*
*Both groups for the study, A Journey through the New Testament, will begin this Wednesday, Ash Wednesday, immediately after the morning and evening Eucharist.*
*Please remember that on Ash Wednesday, the Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes will be held at 10.00am and at 7.30pm.*
*This is a very significant day in our Christian year, and I hope that you will be able to be here to begin your own Lenten journey in this way.*
*Another feature of today, Sunday, is that it has also been declared a National Day of Mourning for the victims of the bush fires, and so it is appropriate that we have an observance of it during our worship this morning.*
*Finally, I want to remind you again of the parish's Annual Meeting – next Sunday, 1st March - and in preparation for the election of Church Wardens and Parish Council Members, there are still some nomination forms available this morning. Please return them to Shane Woodburn or Fiona Dyer or myself as soon as possible. Thank you.*
*Every blessing to you all for this week, Ray.*


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## Five Key Points from Parish Council – February Meeting:

1. The AGM of the Parish is to be held on the 1st of March. Report booklet available www.stphilipsoconnor.org.au or limited number in foyer. All reports must be available for viewing prior to the meeting as no reports will be read during the AGM.
2. Nominations for positions on Parish Council are open and nomination can be submitted to the Secretary prior to the meeting. Please consider this as a contribution you can make to the running of the parish. We have a number of people retiring from Parish Council this year as they are at the end of their 2 year term. The task is not onerous - particularly if shared about.
3. St Philip's Day will be celebrated in the Parish with a shared lunch following the Service on the 3rd of May.
4. The parish car has been sold
5. Our parish profile has been drafted and the selection process for a new rector has commenced. A parish meeting was held on the 18th of February to meet with Rev Sarah McNeil to discuss our needs.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World**: to know what humanity is doing to the planet and for changes to be made.
**With Christians in *France and Germany*** we pray for immigrants and refugees.
**The Anglican Church in**: **Melbourne:** Archbishop Philip Freier;
**Diocese of Sydney:** Archbishop Peter Jensen, Clergy and People.

**St John's, Wagga Wagga:** John Stead, clergy and people and their ministries in hospitals, schools and juvenile justice.
**Pray for:** The work of evangelism in every Parish and institution throughout the Diocese.
**Our Parish:** the process of the clergy appointments board; Denise, Ian and Chris.
**Our Community:** Australia, as we pause to remember victims of the Victorian bushfires.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt, Peter, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Joan Ponsonby.
**The Departed:** Howard Done, 25/2/87
**The Saints**: Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna (d.c.155); Matthias, Apostle and Martyr; George Herbert, parish priest and poet (d.1633)

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## NEXT SUNDAY — 8am & 10am Eucharist

**Readings:** Genesis 9.8-17 Psalm 25.1-10 1 Peter 3.18-22 Mark 1.9-15

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| | Flowers: | Lent – no flowers |
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| | Communion Servers: | Tim Gowty & Denise Manley |
| | Morning Tea: | Volunteer or no Morning Tea!!! |

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Pandora's income 13 & 14 February $118.20
Victorian Bushfire Appeal $280.60 Donation $40.00

## WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

**Liturgy Team Meeting** **Today, Sunday 22 February, following 10am Service**

**Ash Wednesday Services** **Wednesday 25 February, 10am & 7.30pm**

**Working Bee** **Saturday 28 February, 9am - 12 noon**
Call for volunteers and also for refreshments to be supplied, please see Ben or Fiona Dyer for further details.

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### Christians for an Ethical Society (CES)

CES is holding a public forum with speaker the Right Reverend Greg Thompson, former Rector of St John's Anglican Church, Reid and now Bishop of the Northern Territory.
**Topic:** "White Man's Dreaming: The NT Intervention".
**When:** Monday, 23 February at 730pm.
**Where:** Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Barton.
**For details see**: http://www.ces.org.au/current_forum.htm.
**Contact**: Heather McLaren 6291 4537

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for lives beloved and cherished,
the brave who faced the flames,
the young and old who perished,
for those who fight the fires
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for all who give relief
to comfort and make whole.

No tears can stem this grief
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"Come and see", said Philip

# Welcome to St Philip's

Welcome to the Anglican Church of St Philip's O'Connor, Canberra, ACT, Australia
We are delighted you are here (especially visitors on the web!)

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Services on Sunday: 8am and 10am Eucharist, Wednesday HC 10am
The vision of St. Philip's is to **be** a caring, Christian community which honours and embraces difference, and offers a place to celebrate and grow spiritually in the Anglican tradition.

## First Sunday in Lent
## 1st March 2009

**8am & 10am Eucharist**
**Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson**
*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- Genesis 9:8-17
- Psalm 25:1-10
- 1 Peter 3:18-22
- Mark 1:9-15

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 684, 591, 560, 593

*Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks!*

Dear Friends,

So, Lent has begun! Welcome to St Philip's for the Eucharist on this First Sunday in Lent. The origin of the season of Lent lies in the rigorous preparation of Christians in the early church for the celebration of the death and resurrection of Christ in Holy Week and at Easter. The church had quickly realised the benefit of a season of preparation marked by penitence expressed in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. It is this sense of preparation, along with an eager expectation of Good Friday and Easter Day, that characterises the season of Lent.

The people doing the Lenten study, A Journey through the New Testament, began their sessions last week, and will continue each Wednesday through Lent. The other study that Erica is leading, Grace to You, will commence this week at 7.30 on Monday evening and 10.30 on Thursday morning. They will be meeting in the Annex of Holy Cross Church.

For something different, Erica has also asked me to let you know about a special Service based on the Christian Labyrinth meditation that is being held at Holy Cross at 5.00pm today. You would be most welcome. There are always many appeals for financial support. The extraordinary generous response from the broad community to the needs of bushfire victims has been overwhelming. But we are also aware of others. For many years, the Anglican Board of Mission has conducted an appeal during Lent in support of its work, and there are envelopes available this morning for you to make a donation at some time during Lent. The Archbishop of Canterbury has launched an appeal for the people of Zimbabwe, but this will run for a year, and at some point you might like to contribute to it: just place your donation in an enveloped marked accordingly. Finally, today we look forward to the Parish's Annual Meeting that will follow the 10.00am Eucharist.

Every blessing to you for the week ahead,
Ray Williamson

**TODAY'S SERVICES:**

**8am:**

Sidespersons: John Girdlestone
Reader: John Girdlestone

**10am:**

Lay Reader: Chris Cheah

Organist/pianist: Colin Forbes
Sidespersons: Roger Sharp & helpers
Readers: 1st Brian McKinlay (roster LA), 2nd Richard Adams (roster CH)
Chalice Servers: Tim Gowty & Denise Manley
Morning Tea: Volunteer or no morning tea!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** continuing in prayer for Zimbabwe; for Fatah and Hamas in Palestine.
**With Christians in Andorra, Austria, Liechtenstein, Monaco, San Marino, Switzerland we give thanks for** ; those who are struggling to curtail the output of greenhouse gases to ease global warming, which is melting the glaciers in the Alps.
**The Anglican Church in:** Missionary Area of Macau — (Hong Kong) The Revd Simon Fan The Primate: Archbishop Phillip Aspinall; General Synod; The Bishop's office, Bishop Stuart, Bishop Trevor, Bev Forbes; The Registry, Anglican Development Fund.
St Alban the Martyr, Woden: Rebecca Newland (David Grice) Australian Federal Police Chaplains: Gayl Mills, Emergency Worker Chaplains Canberra Hospital: Chaplain, Harley Lockley, and members of the chaplaincy team including CPE students; Supervisor of CPE, David Oliphant
**Our Parish:** Give thanks for the work of our Parish Council and prayers for the AGM.
**Our Community**: continuing in prayer for firefighters and emergency personnel.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Claude Woodbridge, Mira Barratt, Peter, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Joan Ponsonby.
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The Saints: Chad, bishop of Lichfield, missionary (d.672); Perpetua and her companions, martyrs at Carthage (d.203)
*"May the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory."*

On the web: Anglican Cycle of Prayer
and the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

**Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish $2000** (excludes rental income.)
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Shortfall $745
Pandora's income 20 & 21 February $454.95 — Reserved for future development of the Parish

## NOTICES: What's on @ St Philip's

St Philip's Annual General Meeting Sunday 1 March, following 10am Service
AGM_Reports_2009.pdf (224KB) and the music report
Music_AGM_Report2009.pdf (30KB)
pdf files are read with the free reader available from Adobe

Leith Hillman & Chris Dudfield's Wedding Thursday 5 March, 4pm
Leith & Chris are getting married at St Philip's and would like to invite their friends from the parish to join them at the ceremony, followed by drinks and the cutting of the cake in the Courtyard.

**"La Clemenza di Tito"** by Mozart, concert highlights, Thursday 6 March, 7.30pm and Saturday 7th March 7.30pm
Presented by *Classical Opera-tives* in conjunction with CAMRA
Read the story (plot synopsis) of Tito, history and setting of the opera at http://camra.asn.au/
Admission $20 at the door. concessions $15.
Proceeds to St Philip's organ restoration fund. Refreshments available.

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St Philip's Calvary Hospital Ministry and Pastoral Care
The Calvary Ministry team needs some more hands and some new energy. Would you like to help?? If you can spare a few hours on Sunday morning once a month please contact Beryl Blaseotto on 62477230 or blas@goldweb.com.au
This is what you'll be asked to contribute to;
· Visiting patients and listening to their stories
· Providing wheelchair transport for patients to chapel services

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## WEEKLY EVENTS

- **Tuesday** 7.30pm Home Group @ Brian & James'
- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion
- **Friday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Fay Pankhurst & Margaret Woodbridge
- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Beryl Blasseotto & Rhyanna Tarlington

## NEXT SUNDAY

Readings:

- Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
- Psalm 22:24-32
- Romans 4:13-25
- Mark 8:31-38

**Rosters:**
Cleaning: Sally & Richard Adams
**8am:**
Sidespersons: volunteer
Reader: Rhonda Evans
**10am:**
Sidespeople: Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe
Readers: 1st Helen Palethorpe, 2nd Rebecca Palethorpe
Communion Servers: Ruth McGorman Mann & Hardy Palethorpe
Morning Tea: Odom family

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**Ministry teams at St Philip's**
**Acting Rector (*locum*)**: Rev'd Ray Williamson
**Wardens:** Ruth McGorman Mann, Denise Manley, and Roger Sharp
**Buildings and Maintenance:** Roger Sharp
**Social:**
**Secretary:**
**Treasurer:** Shane Woodburn
**Pastoral Care:**
Councillors: Fred Anchell, Sally Adams, Ian Cousins

**Please, please, please let me know of any problems!**

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Sunday 8 March 2009

## Second Sunday in Lent

**8am & 10am Eucharist**:
*The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**Readings:** Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22.24-32 – *page 242*
Romans 4.13-25
Mark 8.31-38

**10am Hymns:** *Together in Song*;
**351** (verses 1, 2 & 5) **583, 676** (tune 453) & **611**

**Trisiagon:**

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Children's Ministry helper: ??
Bible Readers: 1st Helen Palethorpe, 2nd Rebecca Palethorpe
Communion Servers: Ruth McGorman Mann & Hardy P
Morning Tea: Odom Family

*Dear Friends,*

*Welcome to St Philip's on this Sunday morning for our Eucharist. We have come already to the Second Sunday in Lent. So we are making our way through the season…and I still haven't had any chocolate!*

*It was good to see so many people come to help at the working bee yesterday week. A lot of tasks were achieved and much cleaning up. Thank you to all who participated, and especially to Ben for organising it.*

*I want also to express appreciation to everyone who came to the parish's Annual Meeting last Sunday and to all who produced the many reports. They reflect a great deal, and much variety, of ministry in which people are involved – and that is very encouraging. As I said at the meeting – but may I also express it here – we are all very grateful to those who served as Churchwardens and members of the Parish Council last year. However, I particularly want to thank those who are not continuing in those roles: James, who was the Rector's Warden in what turned out to be a very stressful and sorrowful year; Doreen who served as one of the Wardens and Fiona who was the secretary of the Council. I personally am very grateful for all they did and for the support they offered me.*

*The Parish Council for the coming twelve months will be:*

*Wardens: Ruth Mann, Denise Manly and Roger Sharp*
*Councillors: Sally Adams, Fred Anchell, Ian Cousins and Shane Woodburn (elected); Pat Forbes and Tim Gowty (appointed).*

*The first meeting of the new Parish Council will be tomorrow evening at 7.30, and next Sunday morning I would like to have a commissioning in which we also pray for them in their ministry during the year ahead.*

*Every blessing to you all for this week, Ray*

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*Items for the **Pewsheet** and names for the **Prayer list** (add or remove), please forwarded to Leighton by Thursday! leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au* or 6161 7133

## WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

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Barbara, aged 60, single, friendly and new to Canberra, is looking for shared accommodation with another friendly woman. She would prefer accommodation close to shops. Please call 62472399 or look for her at the 10am Sunday service.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World**: Rebuilding of shattered communities around the world.
**With Christians in Myanmar and Thailand** we pray for those imprisoned unjustly and who endure spiritual and physical oppression.
**The Anglican Church:** in Montreal - The Rt Revd Barry B Clarke
Diocese of Bunbury: Bishop David McCall, Clergy and People
St John's Canberra: Paul Black; St John's Care; The ministry of Defence Force Chaplains, and the Bishop to the Defence Force, Bishop Len Eacott.
**Our Parish**: Give thanks for the work of Food @ St Philip's and CAMRA songsters.
**Our Community:** those who have no work, and those who have too much.
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**The Saints**: Sister Emma, Society of the Sacred Advent, Queensland d.1939

# Church bulletin typos!

- The Rector will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing: 'Break Forth Into Joy'.
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- The evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
- The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World**: places where glaciers are retreating. Northern Ireland.
**With Christians in Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam** we pray for "Those who help to clear landmines."
**The Anglican Church in** Mount Kilimanjaro - (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Simon Elilekia Makundi
**Diocese of Melbourne:** Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Stephen Hale, Phillip Huggins, Paul White, Barbara Darling, Clergy and People
**St Alban the Martyr, Woden**: Rebecca Newland (David Grice), Morton Johnston (Pam), Jane Foulcher; **Australian Federal Police Chaplains**: Gayl Mills, Emergency Worker Chaplains; Canberra Hospital, Garran: Chaplain, Harley Lockley, Associate Chaplain, Pauline Dare and team. Pray for: Ministry to mentally ill and depressed people
**Our Parish**: For the new parish council and the Lenten studies groups.
**Our Community:** the work of Lifeline Canberra.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Joan Ponsonby, Bonnie Loudon.
**The Faithful Departed:** John Cousins d.14/3/1994; Mary MacDonnell d.14/3/99.
**The Saints:** Patrick, bishop and missionary to Ireland (d.461); Cyril of Jerusalem (d.386); Cuthbert of Lindisfarne (d. 687); Thomas Cranmer, (d.1556);

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## NEXT SUNDAY 8am & 10am Eucharist

**Readings:** Numbers 21.4-9 Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2.1-10 John 3.14-21

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| | Morning Tea: | Margaret Woodbridge & Val Reeves |

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Sunday 15 March 2009

# Third Sunday in Lent

**8am & 10am Eucharist**:
*The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**Readings:** Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19 – *page 239*
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

**10am Music:**
*Together in Song:* **462, 652, 262, 160.**

**Trisagion:**

**Sung Psalm:** *please see separate sheet*

**During communion:** "Judas & Mary"
By Sydney Carter

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*Dear Friends,*
*A very warm welcome again to St Philip's for our Eucharist this morning – on this day when we celebrate the Third Sunday in Lent. Easter is now just four weeks away!*
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**Diocese of Sydney:** Archbishop Peter Jensen, Clergy and People.
**St John's, Wagga Wagga:** John Stead, clergy and people and their ministries in hospitals, schools and juvenile justice. Chaplains in the workplace.
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**Our Community:** Women in Black and those who keep us aware.
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## THIS WEEK

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## Fourth Sunday in Lent

**8am Eucharist**:
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**10am Baptism & Eucharist**
*Please see service booklet*

**Readings:** Numbers 21.4-9
Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22 – *page 337*
Ephesians 2.1-10
John 3.14-21

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*Together in Song:* **477, 164, 720, 606, 245**

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*I welcome very warmly everyone who gathers at St Philip's today, the Fourth Sunday in Lent, for our celebration of the Eucharist and, at 10.00am, also a Baptism.*

*The Fourth Sunday in Lent is often called Refreshment Sunday. It comes just a little over half-way through Lent, and the Gospel reading for the day in the original English Prayer Books in the 16th century was the Feeding of the Five Thousand. So it came to be thought of as an appropriate day to relax the Lenten fast, and be refreshed for the observance of the very holy time in the following few weeks.*

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'I'll to thee a Simnell bring
'Gainst thou go'st a mothering,
So that, when she blesseth thee,
Half that blessing thou'lt give to me.'

***Robert Herrick 1648***

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**8am Eucharist & 10am Eucharist**
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**Readings:** Jeramiah 31.31-34
Psalm 119.9-16 – *page 350*
Hebrews 5.5-14
John 12.20-33

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*With Lent drawing to a close, may I remind you of the ABM Lenten Appeal and the envelopes available for the purpose of supporting it. If you have not already done so, and wish to support this annual appeal of ABM, please place your envelope on the collection plate sometime over the next couple of weeks.*
*Yes, next Sunday will be Palm Sunday, and there will be a Palm Cross available for everyone. The 10.00am Eucharist will begin in the Courtyard with the Liturgy of Palms followed by the Procession around the church. It marks the beginning of Holy Week, and again I would like to encourage you to take every opportunity to worship at the many Services here at St Philip's during the week which, for Christians is our most sacred time in the year.*

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With Churches in Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore we give thanks for the amazing diversity of life.
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Diocese of Polynesia: Bishop Jabez Bryce
Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia: staff and students
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Religious education in schools and parishes
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The Prayer of St Richard of Chichester:
Thanks be to you, our Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits which you have given us,
for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us.
Most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,
may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

From the ecumenical cycle; from the churches of Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore
We pray only that the church will be more courageous than cautious;
that the church will not remain silent when people are suffering;

that the church will not "pass by on the other side"
when the wounded earth is waiting to be healed.

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Wednesday 10am: Holy Communion
5pm: Evening Prayer
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## Sunday of the Passion
## (Palm Sunday)

**8am Eucharist**
*The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**10am Eucharist**
*Please see Service sheet*

**Readings:** Isaiah 50.4-9a
Psalm 31.9-18 - *page 250*
Philemon 2.5.11
Mark 14.1-15.47

*The Passion Gospel to be read at 10am today was compiled by Harold Winstone from the text of the Jerusalem Bible and published in The Gospel Passions (London: Geoffrey Chapman, 1985).*

**10am Music: Hymns:** *Please see Service sheet*

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Communion Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty
Morning Tea: Volunteers or no morning tea!!

**10am:** St Philip's team at Calvary Hospital Chapel

*Dear Friends,*

*A very warm welcome to St Philip's on this Palm Sunday morning! Today we begin our observance of Holy Week and remember all that it means for us as people of Christian faith.*

*The Festival of the Passover was understood as a celebration of God's liberation of the Hebrew ancestors from slavery in Egypt, and its yearly observance was also a reminder of God's continuing loving-kindness and mercy, and most of all God's yearning for people to be liberated from oppression. In the days of Jesus, the Passover was a very important festival, still carrying all its symbolic power and meaning. But particularly at that time, the Passover was seen as a symbol of the hope that the people and the land would soon be free from the oppressive occupation by Rome. Every Jew had an obligation to be in Jerusalem to celebrate this hope. On this day – that we call Palm Sunday – Jesus was one who made his way to Jerusalem; but when he entered the city, the people saw in him the personification of that liberation and acclaimed him as king.*

*Our liturgy on Palm Sunday is a dedication to the sovereignty of Christ. It begins our journey with Jesus into the true meaning of that sovereignty. We, too, celebrate the Passover; we are present at the betrayal and arrest of Jesus. We witness his passion and death. We wait at the cross. On Easter morning we celebrate the mystery of the Christian Passover. This ancient meal has become for us the Eucharist, the great thanksgiving of God's love and grace manifested in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.*

*At our Eucharist today branches and palm crosses are blessed, and at 10,00am we begin with a procession around the church to honour the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem from the village of Bethany. This is a triumphant celebration, for which the penitential season of lent has been a preparation. The red vestments mark the beginning of our observance of the passion of Christ, which continues through the whole of Holy Week.*

*I hope it will be a grace-filled week for you.*

*Every blessing, Ray*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** places of continuing conflict; the London talks.
With Churches in East Timor, Indonesia, Philippines we give thanks for the witness of those who advocate an end to violence.
**The Anglican Communion.** Diocese of Bathurst Bishop; Richard Hurford, Bishop Peter Danaher, Clergy and People St Mark's National Theological Centre, Canberra; those preparing for ministry. Centre for Ageing and Pastoral Studies.
**Our Parish** as we gather throughout this week.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Claude Woodbridge, Mira Barratt, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Charles Mann

In Remembrance of the victims of the 2005 tsunami:
Stay with us, Lord, in the dark moments,
open our eyes that we may recognize you as the risen One,
who has defeated death and its sting;
who has come by water and blood;
who has been baptized with water by John;

who has changed water into wine;
who has calmed the stormy sea;
who has given living water;
who wipes away our tears.
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## THIS WEEK

**Holy Week** – please see list of events on previous page

Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's - Closed
Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's - Closed

## NEXT SUNDAY 7am & 10am Eucharist

**Readings:** Acts 10.34-43 Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24 I Corinthians 15.1-11 John 16.1-8

**Rosters:** Cleaning: Doreen Sengati-Odom & Elizabeth Sillano
: Flowers: Val Reeves & everyone else to help
**7am:** Sidespeople: volunteers
Reader: volunteers
**10am:** Sidespeople: Hardy Palethorpe & helpers
Bible Readers: 1st Ian Barnes, 2nd Pat Forbes
Morning Tea: Odom Family

Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish $2090 per week,
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Offerings received 29 March: $875.75 + EFT $508 = $1383.75. **Shortfall $706.25**
Pandora's income 27 & 28 March $387.30
Anglicare Op shop donation for Northbourne Community $5000.00

## WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

**Monday in Holy Week** **Monday 6 April**
7.00pm Eucharist

**Tuesday in Holy Week** **Tuesday 7 April**
5.00pm Eucharist

**Wednesday in Holy Week** **Wednesday 8 April**
10.00am Eucharist
7.00pm Eucharist

**Maundy Thursday** **Thursday 9 April**
7.00pm Passover Meal, followed by;
Footwashing and Eucharist of the Last Supper
Stripping of the Altar
*Please add your name to the list in the Foyer if you wish to attend, thank you.*

**Good Friday** **Friday 10 April**
12.00noon The Good Friday Liturgy - till 3.00pm

**Easter Day** **Sunday 12 April**

6.00am Lighting of New Fire and Easter Candle;
Easter Vigil and

(**7.00am**) Sung Eucharist – (*please note no 8am Eucharist)*

8.00am – 9.30 Celebration Breakfast

*Please see list in the Foyer, please add you name against the item(s) you can contribute*

10.00am Sung Eucharist (with incense)

**Tim Gowty's Graduation Party** **Monday 13 April from 4pm- 7pm**

All are invited to celebrate with Tim, St Philip's Courtyard, BYO drinks.

RSVP Wednesday 8 April to 6255 2467

**Gala Cabaret Supper** **Saturday 18 April, 8pm**

Presented by CAMRA & Food @ St Philip's. A brand new cabaret show "Twinsets & Pearls" written by Pat Forbes. A fundraiser for the Organ Restoration fund. Tickets now on sale, please see Leighton to purchase your tickets. $40 each or book a table of 7 and get the 7th ticket free.

**Sunday Home Group** **Sunday 19th April**

Will resume at Denise Manley's home, 14 Luehmann Street, Page. Everyone is welcome to join us to continue our discovery of how Women of the Bible speak to the women of today. Ph: 6254 2838 for Denise or speak to Rhonda Evans at 8.00 am or Ann Munro at 10.00 am for further details.

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**Readings:** Acts 10.34-43
Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15.1-11
John 16.1-8

**Hymns:** *Together in Song:* **362, 391, 360, 380**

**10am Music:**

Introit: This joyful Eastertide
*Melody from David's Psalmen, arr. Philip Ledger.*
Easter Greeting: *by Colin Forbes*
During Communion: Christ the Lord is Risen Again, *by John Rutter.*
After Blessing: The Peace of the Earth
*Guatemalian Tradional, arr. John Bell*

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Flowers: The Flower team
**6am/7am:**
Sidespeople: volunteers
Reader: volunteers
**10am:**
Lay Minister: Chris Cheah
Crucifer: Tim Gowty Thurifer: Leighton Mann
Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes
Choir: Linda Anchell, Anne Bannerman, Anastasia Dalziell, Pat Forbes, Alison Knight & Denise Manley
Sidespeople: Hardy Palethorpe & helpers
Bible Readers: 1st Ian Barnes, 2nd Pat Forbes
Morning Tea (breakfast leftovers!): Odom Family

*Dear Friends,*

*Christ is Risen!*

*This has been the Easter greeting of Christians to one another since very early times (in the ancient world where Greek was the common language, they would have said Christos aneste!), and it is still our greeting today.*

*So, I wish you a very happy Easter. It is a great pleasure to welcome you to St Philip's for our celebration of the joy and hope of Easter that we find in the new life of Christ. And in it there is the promise of renewal, fresh beginnings, in our own lives. Indeed, Christ is Risen!*

*This morning, of course, is the culmination of our observance of the Great Three Days in the Christian calendar, which have taken us from the Last Supper to the Garden of Gethsemane, to the crucifixion on the hill of Calvary, and now, early on the first day of the week, to the tomb in the garden where the Risen Christ is met and recognised.*

*I want to express very deep gratitude to all who have done so much in the preparation for our observance of these days, especially to Colin and Pat and those who have sung in the choir for the extraordinary work they have done to enhance our worship so marvellously.*

*This morning also brings us to a beginning – the beginning of the fifty days of the Easter season that will take us through to Pentecost. We will do all we can at St Philip's to make the whole of the great festival of Easter what it is, and I hope you will be able to join us Sunday by Sunday.*

*Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray.*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** special prayers for Jerusalem this weekend; those who live in and near the city.
**Western churches** celebrating Easter; Orthodox churches as they enter Holy Week.
**Churches in**: Japan, South Korea, North Korea, Taiwan.
**The Anglican Communion** as we rejoice on this day.
**The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Diocese of Grafton; Holy Covenant, Jamison; Christ Church, Hawker; St James', Holt; Calvary Hospital; Clare Holland House;
**Pray for:** Anglicare activities in caring for and supporting older people.
**Parish:** Anglicare work, Northbourne Community, Calvary ministries.
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**The Faithful Departed:** Beryl Esma Day d.8/4/2001, Kiran Allister Sen d.8/4/90

Please note there will be no Holy Communion this Wednesday,
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Please RSVP - Tim (6255 2467)

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First show **sold out**, taking bookings for second show on **Sunday 19 April**, please see Leighton or Pat. Tickets $40.

Ticket Holders: Don't forget your cash for extra drinks!

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**AGM of Anglican Women of this Diocese at Goulburn Cathedral**
**Monday 20 April 2009**

The day will commence with Holy Communion at 10am. The celebrant and preacher will be the Dean of the Cathedral, the Very Reverend Phillip Saunders. After morning tea, our guest speaker will be the Bishop's wife, Mrs Jane Robinson. This will be followed by lunch and the Annual General Meeting. Please bring your own lunch. Morning and afternoon tea will be provided.

*Janet Deck, Anglican Women Diocesan Secretary, Taralga Parish.*

## THIS WEEK

Wednesday 10am **NO Holy Communion – will resume next week**
Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN - Kerry-Anne Cousins & Meg Colwell
Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Fiona Dyer & Patricia Abbott

## NEXT SUNDAY 7am & 10am Eucharist

**Readings:** Acts 4.32-37 Psalm 133 1 John 1.1-2.2 John 20.19-31

**Rosters:**
Cleaning: Rhonda Evans & Barbara Dowley
Flowers: Jeannette McHugh
8**am:** Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn
Reader: Shane Woodburn
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Pandora's income 3 & 4 April $243 Church use (CAMRA) $470
Organ Restoration Fund (Food @ St Philip's – St John Passion refreshments) $534.30
ABM Good Friday envelopes (Jerusalem & the Middle East) $8.00

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2. A Working Bee will be held on 23 May, with a focus on the rectory garden – please see above.
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### *Church bulletin typos!*

This evening at 7 PM there will be hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

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## Sunday 19 April 2009

## **Second Sunday of Easter**

**Readings:** Acts 4.32-37 Psalm 133 1 John 1.1-2.2 John 20.19-31

*Dear Friends,*
*First of all, this morning, I want to thank you all for a very splendid Easter, and particularly to say how much I appreciated the efforts of all who contributed to the services in any way, especially Colin and Pat and all the singers for the enormous effort in preparing the wonderful music that so beautifully enhanced our worship, and Leighton and his team for the scrumptious breakfast on Easter morning. I am sure we were all very grateful indeed.*

*So, welcome to St Philip's this morning as we continue our observance of the Easter season. Today, we are celebrating the Second Sunday of Easter. This Sunday, a week after Easter Day, has popularly been known as 'Low Sunday' – reflecting the likely attendance! Officially, in earlier times, it was called 'The First Sunday after Easter'. However, back in the 1990s, a different way of counting these Sundays was introduced in order to emphasise that Easter is not just a day but a whole season. Therefore, today and the next five Sundays are not Sundays after Easter but Sundays of Easter. I hope you will appreciate the point of this and value its significance.*

*During Holy Week, we had the final meeting of the Lenten Study Groups, and it was very good to have so many people participating. Indeed, the conversation during the final few minutes of the Wednesday evening group led to the suggestion of another series – A Journey through the Old Testament. This would be a series of six sessions: Getting Ready for the Journey, The Exodus: A People Expresses its Faith; The Kingdom of Jerusalem: the Beginnings of a Literature; The Last Period of the Kingdom of Judah, 721-587 BCE; the Exile in Babylon, 587-538 BCE; Israel under the Greeks (333-63) and Romans (63 -). At this stage, it seems that commencing on Wednesday 20th May would be the most convenient. Please let me know if you would be interested in being part of a group to do this study.*

*Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray.*

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Please remember Sophia Rose Markotsis as she is baptised this morning at 8.30 am at St Phillip's (yes two l's) Anglican Church, Annerley, Queensland.
Dimitri would appreciate your prayers for his little daughter.

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**Thank You from Tim Gowty**

A big thank you to all those who helped make my graduation celebration such a wonderful event. It was lovely to be able to celebrate with my parish family - thank you for your continued love and support. A special thank you to those involved in "Food at St Philip's" for organising the catering and to all those who helped set up and pack up.

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Djibouti, Somalia and Orthodox churches celebrating Easter.
**Anglican Communion:** Diocese of New York.
**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Diocese of Perth: Archbishop Roger Herft, Bishops Tom Wilmot, Kay Goldsworthy, Clergy and People.
Young District Anglican Ministry: John Thomas (Christine), Barbara Moon. Mothers' Union: Chaplain: Bishop Allan. Pray for Shared ministry with our neighbouring Dioceses particularly Riverina and Bathurst; development of unity and cooperation in our Province and National Church.
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**The Faithful Departed:** Kenneth Johnson (14/4/01); Irene Doris Keast (17/4/04); Noel Collins (18/4/70)
**The Saints:** Anselm, archbishop of Canterbury (d.1109), George, martyr (d.c.303); Mark, evangelist and martyr.

**THIS WEEK**

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| Wednesday | 10am | Holy Communion |
| Friday | 10am-1pm: | Pandora's OPEN – Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans |
| Saturday | 10am-1pm: | Pandora's OPEN – Jeannette McHugh & Philida Sturgiss-Hoy |

**NEXT SUNDAY 8am & 10am Eucharist**

**Readings:** Acts 3.12-20 Psalm 4 1 John 2.15-17, 3.1-6 Luke 24.36-48

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Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

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Sunday 26 April 2009

## Third Sunday of Easter

**8.00am Eucharist & 10am Sung Eucharist**

*The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**Readings:**
Acts 3.12-20
Psalm 4 – *page 225*
1 John 2.15-17, 3.1-6
Luke 24.36-48

**10am Hymns:** *Together in Song*
**392**, **382**, **431** & **387**(tune 84)

**Presiding & Preaching**: Rev'd Ray Williamson
Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth
8**am:**
Sidespeople: Volunteers
Reader: Volunteer
**10am:**
Lay Minister: Sarah Gowty
Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes
Sidespeople: Helen Palethorpe, James Kim & Brian McKinlay
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Chalice Servers: Doreen Sengati-Odom & Leighton Mann
Morning Tea: Margaret Woodbridge & Val Reeves

***Visitors are welcome to receive Holy Communion.***
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*Dear Friends,*

*Welcome to St Philip's this morning again as we continue our observance of the Easter season, today being the Third Sunday of Easter.*

*What a marvellous success it was! What wonderful entertainment! Such fun! Those of us who were fortunate enough to go to a performance of Twinsets & Pearls last weekend had a truly delightful evening. To Pat and Colin, and to Janene and Leila we offer a great thanks. What talent! To the Food @ St Philip's team we offer our appreciation for the delicious culinary – and 'other' - delights. Altogether it was a highly enjoyable occasion; and very successful too in its primary purpose: $1,500 was the financial outcome for the Organ Restoration Fund. Well done, indeed!*

*Last week, I mentioned the suggestion for another study series; this time – A Journey through the Old Testament. Several people have expressed interest, and so the proposal is to commence on Wednesday 20th May, then 27th May and 3rd June. After a one-week interval, we would continue on 17th and 24th June, and conclude on 1st July. I have prepared a small leaflet setting out these and other details, and this is available today, as well as an opportunity to let me know definitely whether you would wish to participate. Given those who have already expressed an interest, I expect the study will be held both in the mornings and the evenings on those dates.*

*This morning, you are also invited to take a copy of the current ABM Partners magazine.*

*Next Sunday we will be observing the Patronal Festival of the parish – St Philip's Day. Following the 10.00am Sung Eucharist, there will be a parish luncheon, and elsewhere you can read details about the arrangements. I hope you can be with us to celebrate what is always a special day in the annual life of the parish.*

*Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray.*

**Parish Food Pantry**

Thank you for continuing to supply non-perishable food for those people in our community who so badly need it. Please note that we have a good supply of pasta at present but in need of pasta sauce, long life milk, tins of hearty soup, breakfast cereals and ready-to-eat meals. All contributions are sincerely welcomed. Please place them in the basket on Sundays.

Thanks, Helen Palethorpe.

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**St Philip's Day – Parish Lunch** **Next Sunday, 3 May**

Following 10am Service **- BBQ with Salads & Desserts.**

Please bring a salad or dessert to share and a gold coin donation for the BBQ.

Fruit punch supplied, BYO wine.

**St Philip's Day – Parish Bike ride to the Lake**

Following the lunch, everyone is welcome to join Ann Munro for a cycle to the lake!

**St Philip's Market Morning** **Saturday 9 May, 8am – 12 noon**

**Trash & treasure (Garage sale items):** more items welcome, please bring them along on the morning.

Volunteers needed from 6am to help unpack and set up.

**Pandora's:** opening early

**Plants:** Terry is running the Plant stall & looking for any plants, cutting etc.

**Sausage sizzle** or **Egg & bacon rolls:** looking for volunteer(s) to run the BBQ.
**Morning Tea:** looking for people to make scones or muffins.
Denise will serve/sell on the morning.
Please talk to Denise if you can make a batch.

**Space available** for your own stall!

All profits will go towards the Rectory renovations.

Please see Leighton for any other details – 0418 686033

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** Seafarers held hostage by pirates;
those who seek sanctuary in Australia; Sri Lanka.
**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Eritrea, Ethiopia
**Anglican Communion:** Nicaragua - (Central America) The Rt Rev'd Sturdie Downs. Diocese of Wangaratta: Bishop John Parkes, Clergy and People
Parishes and ministries of the far south coast: Bega, Merimbula and Twofold Bay.
Pray for: The Church's ministry in holiday resorts.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Owen Kershaw, Ann, Stephen, Michael & Alexander Mann
**The Saints:** Catherine of Siena (d.1380); Philip and James, Apostles and martyrs; Athanasius (d.373)

from the churches of Eritrea and Ethiopia:
O God Eternal, good beyond all that is good,
fair beyond all that is fair,
in whom is calmness and peace:
reconcile the differences which divide us from one another
and bring us back into the unity of love which may bear
some likeness to your divine nature.
Grant that we may be spiritually one,
both within ourselves and with one another,
through the grace, mercy and tenderness of your son, Jesus Christ.

## THIS WEEK

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion
Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Margaret Woodbridge & Fay Pankhurst
Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Beryl Blaseotto & Rhyanna Tarlington

## NEXT SUNDAY 8am & 10am Eucharist

**Readings:** Acts 4.5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3.16-24 John 10.11-18

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| **Rosters:** | Cleaning: | Sally & Richard Adams |
| | Flowers: | Kerry-Anne Cousins |
| 8**am:** | Sidespeople: | John Girdlestone |
| | Reader: | John Girdlestone |
| **10am:** | Sidespeople: | Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp |
| | Bible Readers: | 1st Fiona Dyer, 2nd Chris Cheah |
| | Chalice Servers: | Denise Manley & Tim Gowty |
| | Morning Tea: | *Volunteers or no Morning Tea* |

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Offerings received 19 April: $747.75 + EFT $508 = $1255.75 **Shortfall $834.25**
Pandora's 17 & 18 April $493.45
Parish Mission Projects $100 (Food @ St Philip's – Tim's party)

*Items for the **Pewsheet** and names for the **Prayer list** (add or remove), please forward to Leighton by Thursday!*
*leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au* or 6161 7133

*Church bulletin typos!*

*Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM.*
*All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.*

*The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.*

*Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM.*
*Please use the back door.*

*The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM.*
*The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.*

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter
## 3rd May 2009

**8am & 10am Sung Eucharist**
**Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson**
*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- Isaiah 30.18-21
- Psalm 19:1-6
- 1 Corinthians 15.1-8
- John 14.6-14

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 433, 226, 455 (vss 1,2,3,4,7,8) and 469

*Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks!*

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege and a pleasure to be able to welcome you to St Philip's this morning as we celebrate the Patronal Festival of the parish — St Philip's Day.

Patronal festivals are very important occasions in the yearly cycle of a parish's life. They certainly are an occasion for bringing the parish community together for a day of celebration, and they also help to remind us of the significance of being named in honour, and under the patronage, of one of the key foundational figures in the Church.

Of course, we do not know very much about Philip, the Apostle. He is named in the list of the twelve apostles in the first three gospels, and he features four times in the fourth gospel. There is another Philip, a Deacon and Evangelist, who is a little more prominent in the Acts of the Apostles, and though there is an early tradition (going back to the late first century) that identifies the two, it seems obvious enough from the New Testament that they were two different people with quite different roles in the first generation of Christians. Today, we remember Philip, the Apostle.

Two stories in John's Gospel present him as an approachable, welcoming, inviting person. In one story, the Greeks who were seeking Jesus first come to Philip with their request. But it is the first story that features prominently in our memory. Philip is the one who tells Nathaniel about Jesus, with the invitation, "Come and see".
As we celebrate this St Philip's Day, we also celebrate the fact that this parish, under his patronage, seeks to be a community of faith that is open and approachable, inviting and welcoming, pointing people to Jesus.

With our worship this morning, and the luncheon to follow, I hope that we all have a time of joyous celebration of this Patronal Festival.

Finally, another brief reminder about the study series: — A Journey through the Old Testament. I want to confirm that it will commence on Wednesday 20th May, and I refer you to the small leaflet on which all the dates and other details are set out for you.

Every blessing to you all for this week that has now begun,

Ray

**TODAY'S SERVICES:**
Flowers: Jeannette McHugh (autumn)
**8am:**
Sidespersons: John Girdlestone
Reader: John Girdlestone
**10am:**
Deacon: Linda Anchell
Organist/pianist: Colin Forbes & Alexander O'Sullivan
(with thanks to Alexander's group for the Festival Te Deum in E, Opus 32, 1944 by Benjamin Britten and Psalm 23 setting by Howard Goodall (Vicar of Dibley theme)
Sidespersons: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp
Readers: 1st Fiona Dyer (Richard W), 2nd Chris Cheah
Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty
Morning Tea: St Philip's Day Luncheon…

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** Peacemakers in Sudan, Uganda and Sri Lanka.
**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Sudan, Uganda
**The Anglican Church in:** North Central Philippines — The Rt Revd Joel A Pachao
Diocese of Armidale: Bishop Peter Brain, Clergy and People
St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn: Dean Phillip Saunders; and the Cathedral Chapter; Goulburn Mental Health Service Chaplaincy: Mark Cooper
Pray for: Anglicare activities in Goulburn and regions.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Owen Kershaw, Ann, Stephen, Michael and Alexander Mann.
The Saints: Philip and James, Apostles; John, apostle and martyr, Julian of Norwich (d.1417)
*"May the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory."*

On the web: Anglican Cycle of Prayer
and the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

10am: St Philip's team @ Calvary Hospital Chapel

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Offerings received 26 April: $618 + EFT $508 = $1126
Shortfall $964
Pandora's income 24 April $254.40 (not open on Anzac Day) — Reserved for future development of the Parish

Organ Restoration Fund $1500 — from CAMRA & Food @ St Philip's Gala Cabaret Supper

St Philip's Market Morning Saturday 9 May, 8am — 12 noon

Trash & treasure (Garage sale items): more items welcome, please bring them along on the morning. Volunteers needed from 6am to help unpack and set up.
Pandora's: opening early
Plants: Terry is running the Plant stall & looking for any plants, cutting etc.
Sausage sizzle or Egg & bacon rolls: looking for volunteer(s) to run the BBQ.
Morning Tea: looking for people to make scones or muffins. Denise will serve/sell on the morning. Please talk to Denise if you can make a batch.
Space available for your own stall!
All profits will go towards the Rectory renovations.
Please see Leighton for any other details — 0418 686033

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- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Sally Adams & Ann Munro

## NEXT SUNDAY

Readings:

- Acts 8:26-40
- Psalm 22:26-32
- 1John 4:7-21
- John 15:1-8

**Rosters:**
Cleaning: Helen & Hardy Palethorpe
Flowers: Val Reeves
**8am:**
Sidespersons: volunteer
Reader: Rhonda Evans
**10am:**
Sidespeople: Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe
Readers: 1st Anne Bannerman, 2nd Doug Bannerman
Communion Servers: Ruth McGorman-Mann & Hardy Palethorpe
Morning Tea: Sengati family

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# *"Come and see," said Philip*
# *Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor!*

Sunday 10 May 2009

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

**8.00am Eucharist & 10am Sung Eucharist**

*The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.*

**Readings:** Acts 8.26-40
Psalm 22.26-32 *page 243*
1 John 4.7-21
John 15.1-8

**10am Hymns:** *Together in Song*
**393, 648, 720, 653, 531**

**Presiding & Preaching**: Rev'd Ray Williamson
Flowers: Val Reeves
8**am:**
Sidespeople: volunteer
Reader: Rhonda Evans
**10am:**
Lay Minister: Chris Cheah
Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes
Sidespeople: Leighton Mann & helper
Bible Readers: 1st Anne Bannerman, 2nd Doug Bannerman
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Morning Tea: Sengati Family

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*Dear Friends,*

*May I offer you a very warm welcome to St Philip's this morning as we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Easter, and as we also celebrate a Baptism at the 10.00 Eucharist.*

*So I am very pleased to offer a particular welcome to Dustin Jobe Bradley-Smyth, who is to be baptised, and his parents Cherie Bradley and Trent Smyth, and to their family and friends who are joining us for this special occasion.*

*The Easter season seems to be slipping by rather quickly. It is only three weeks to Pentecost. In Australia, the week leading up to Pentecost is observed as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, and in many local areas around the country there will be special ecumenical gatherings to bring Christians together. In this area, at 8.00am on Saturday 30th May, we are invited to the Churches of Christ, Limestone Ave, Ainslie to have breakfast together, pray together and hear Bishop Pat Power, Auxiliary Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn, speak on ecumenism. Bishop Power is also Canberran of the Year for 2009. We have to give the numbers attending by Monday 25th May.*

*On another matter entirely, many of you are aware that Erica and I are heading off with a small group of people to the Holy Land in the second half of September. The trip is being organised through the Middle East Council of Churches and so, in addition to visiting well-known sacred sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Galilee, it will allow us to meet local people and to visit a number of the projects supported by the Christmas Bowl. The trip will begin and end in Amman, and so there is also the chance to visit Petra. We would still like to have a few more people in our group. If you are interested please see me and I can give you a brochure that we have put together.*

*Next Sunday we will be observing Anglicare Sunday, and I am pleased to let you know that Ruth McGorman-Mann we speak to us about the work of Anglicare.*

*Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** Relief for the people of Africa from the burden of international debt.
**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Kenya and Tanzania (Washington and Katherine).
**Anglican Communion:** North Queensland - The Rt Revd William J Ray, The Rt Revd Saibo Mabo, The Rt Revd James Randolph Leftwich.
Diocese of Ysabel, Solomon Islands: Bishop Richard Naramana (May and Luke)
St Philip's O'Connor: Ray Williamson; Australian National University: Chaplaincy Team: Kevin Connor; University of Canberra: Chaplain, Bill Pearcy; Radford College: staff and students;
Pray for: Ministry to post-secondary students. And for: Licensed Lay Ministers throughout the Diocese.
**Those in need:** Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Owen Kershaw
**The Departed:** Alexander Lloyd Mann 19/6/98 – 5/5/09, Violet Pocknall d.8/5/84
**Those who mourn:** Ann, Stephen & Michael Mann and extended families (Lloyd & Mann families).
**The Saints:** Matthias

## THIS WEEK

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion
Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Kerry-Anne Cousins & Meg Colwell
Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Fiona Dyer & Patrica Abbott

## NEXT SUNDAY — 8am & 10am Eucharist

**Readings:** Acts 10.44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5.1-12 John 15.9-17

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| | Morning Tea: | James Kim & Roger Sharp |

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Offerings received 3 May: $828 + EFT $508 = $1336 **Shortfall $754**
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Mission Project $19.90 (St Philip's Lunch)

## WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

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2009 International AIDS Candlelight Memorial
Multi-faith service
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## Sixth Sunday of Easter
## & Anglicare Sunday
## 17th May 2009

**8am & 10am Sung Eucharist**
**Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson**
*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- Acts 10:44-48
- Psalm 98 page 325
- 1 John 5:1-12
- John 15:9-17

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 398, 630, 641, 153

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Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins
**8am:**
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**10am:**
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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** Pakistan, Sri Lanka, people living with AIDS
**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Malawi, Zambia
**The Anglican Church in:** Northern Mexico, The Rt Rev'd Marcelino Rivera-Delgado.
Diocese of North Queensland: Bishop Bill Ray, Assistant Bishops James Leftwich, Saibo Mabo, Clergy and People.
Parish of Queanbeyan and District: Ian Palmer (Elizabeth), James Wood (Jo), Gayl Mills (Greg), Mary Thorn, Ann Burt (Dennis) Community of Celebration and Mary's Place: Michael Cockayne Anglicare Bargain Hunter shop: Kaye Pritchard and Hazel Wheatley
Pray for: Work amongst needy, unemployed and homeless people of all ages.
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World Aids Day

We are all affected by HIV/AIDS;
we are the body of Christ.

We have lost close relatives;
heal our bodies.
We have lost close friends and neighbours;
heal our hearts.
We have lost church and work mates;
heal our spirits.
We have lost our hope;
heal our minds.
We put our trust in you.
You are Emmanuel,
you are God With Us.
You will never leave us or forsake us.
You will be with us to the end of the ages.

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Africa Praying: A Handbook on HIV/AIDS Sensitive Sermon Guidelines and Liturgy, ed. Musa W. Dube, WCC, 2003, p.44.

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Offerings received 10 May: $870.10 + EFT $508 = $1378.10
Shortfall $711.90
Pandora's income 8 & 9 May $375.30 — Reserved for future development of the Parish
Market Morning 9 May (for Rectory repairs & renovation) $740.80

**Retiring Collection**

In June there will be a Retiring collection for Nungalinya College, Darwin.

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Housewarming & Bonfire Saturday 13 June, from 5pm
You are invited to Ruth, Leighton & Zara's for a bonfire with mulled wine & soups. Please bring some finger food and drinks to share.
48 Lachlan Street, Macquarie 61617133

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- **Friday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans
- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Phillida Sturgiss-Hoy

## NEXT SUNDAY

Readings:

- Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
- Psalm 1
- 1John 5:9-13
- John 17:6-19

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Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth
**8am:**
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Reader: Shane Woodburn
**10am:**
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Five Key Points from Parish Council's May Meeting

1. The carpet, underlay and floor tiles have been removed from the Rectory, and the upgrade of the bathrooms will begin shortly. Quotes for other work are being obtained.
2. Fundraising activities for the Organ Restoration Fund have raised $9,500 to date.

3. Work on improving the paving in the courtyard will begin in the next week or two.
4. There will be a Retiring collection in June for Nungalinya College.
5. The Council has decided that in future no photographs will be permitted during Baptisms. Instead, a photo opportunity will be provided after the service has concluded.

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## Seventh Sunday of Easter
## 24th May 2009

**8am & 10am Sung Eucharist**
**Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson**
*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
- Psalm 1
- 1 John 5:9-13
- John 17:6-19

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 387, 521 (vss 1, 2, & 4) and separate sheet.

*Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks!*

Dear Friends,

The Easter season is almost over. Today is the Seventh Sunday of Easter, and I gladly welcome you to St Philip's for our celebration of the Eucharist this morning.

Today also is the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). There are a couple of resources to assist us in our observance of this week. There is a small Prayer Card available for everyone to take, to use each day this week, and to keep as a reminder of the on-going quest for the visible unity of the Church. I have also made copies of a leaflet that sets out the bible readings, reflections and prayers for each of the eight days of prayer for unity. This comes from the resources for the 2009 WPCU that have been prepared internationally and based on the initial work done by an ecumenical group in Korea. Please remember also the special observance of the Week that has been planned for this area. At 8.00am next Saturday we are invited to the Churches of Christ, Limestone Ave, Ainslie to have breakfast and pray together. For catering purposes, we have to give the numbers by tomorrow, so I would be grateful if you would write your name on the paper for this purpose.

The WPCU concludes at Pentecost, the date of which is determined by the date of Easter. Not always, but often it partly coincides with another Week of Prayer in Australia — the Week of Prayer for Reconciliation. This is always between two set dates: 27th May and 3rd June, and follows immediately after Sorry Day, 26th May, the date of the release of the report from the Royal Commission into the Stolen Generations. This, too, is a matter for our prayers, and you will find that the leaflet of daily readings and prayers for the WPCU will also direct your thinking and prayers to matters relating to Reconciliation.

Yes, next Sunday is Pentecost — one of the great festivals in the Church's year, often referred to as the Church's birthday. Red is the colour for the celebration — both in the church and on each person. Please wear your red…!

Ray

**TODAY'S SERVICES:**
Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

**8am:**
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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Botswana, Zimbabwe: The leaders of government and their success in bringing economic progress, education and health care to their people.
**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Week of prayer for Christian Unity and Anglican Communion Sunday
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of The Murray: Bishop Ross Davies, Clergy and People
Parishes of: Tumut and Adelong; South-West Slopes Ministry District (the Parishes of Batlow and Tumbarumba) Ken Day (Janice); Mannus Correctional Centre: Ken Day
Pray for: Ministry to prisoners and prison officers.
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The Saints: St Augustine of Canterbury (missionary and bishop d.605)
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Dear God, our builder,
you have all the building materials needed to construct our societies.
You have all the strength to put wisdom on all that has fallen apart in our lives.
You have the wisdom to reshape our world.
Inspire us with all your wisdom, strength and love,
to rebuild the broken walls in our community.

(from the churches of Botswana and Zimbabwe)

On the web: Anglican Cycle of Prayer
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## Pentecost!
## 31st May 2009

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Readings:

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- Psalm 104.26-36 — page 331
- Romans 8:22-27
- John 15:26-27, 16:4-15

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 398, 422, 409 plus Service booklet.

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Dear Friends,

A very warm welcome to St Philip's this morning as we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. It is a wonderful day to gather for worship. It is one of the great festivals in the Church's year, often referred to as the Church's birthday.

On this final day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the Daily Scripture and Prayer resource directs our thinking towards our ministry of 'proclaiming hope in a world of separation' and offers the following reflection: "When Christians gather to pray for unity, they are motivated and sustained by hope. The strength of the prayer for unity comes from God's renewal of the created world; its wisdom from the Holy Spirit who breathes new life on dry bones; its integrity from opening ourselves completely to God, to be transformed into instruments of the unity Christ wills for his disciples." That is a wonderful reminder offered to us by a group of Christians in Korea.

Today we are also still in the midst of another Week of Prayer that is observed in Australia — the Week of Prayer for Reconciliation. This is always between two set dates: 27th May (the 1967 referendum date) and 3rd June (the date of the Mabo judgement in 1992). We have seen significant actions in the past two years which have helped Australia move to a better understanding and acknowledgement of the pain and suffering of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Graeme Mundine, the Executive Officer of the NCCA's Indigenous Commission has said, "Actions such as the apology to the Stolen Generations, the Statement of Intent on health; even the flawed Northern Territory Intervention are all concrete steps towards reconciliation. As we celebrate these actions we must not lose sight of the fact that reconciliation is not only a political issue and is not something that the Government alone must instigate and act on. …True and lasting reconciliation will only come from a sustained change of heart at all levels of our community." These are other matters for our reflection and prayers at this time.

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**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Ogbomoso — (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) The Rt Rev'd Matthew Osunade
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The National Council of Churches in Australia: General Secretary John Henderson; Council of the Church in South-East Asia (Anglican) and the Christian Conference of Asia (Ecumenical); Pray for: Partner relationships between our Church and other Churches of Asia and the Pacific.
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The Saints: Bede of Jarrow (d.735); Justin, martyr (d.167); Martyrs of Uganda (d.1886); Janani Luwum, archbishop of Uganda (d.1977); John XXIII, bishop of Rome, reformer (d.1963); Boniface of Mainz (d.754)
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Start the revolution in my life,
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and guide me in the everlasting way.
(Psalm 139… from World Council of Churches)

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## 7th June 2009

Jerusalem Prayers for the World Week of Peace for Palestine Israel.

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Readings:

- Isaiah 6:1-8
- Psalm 29 — page 248
- Romans 8:12-17
- John 3:1-17

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 132, 447, 179, 143

*Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks!*

Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure to welcome you to St Philip's on this first Sunday after Pentecost which, especially in the Anglican tradition, is known as Trinity Sunday. It is the day that the cycle of the Church's year gives us to focus our thinking and our wondering on the deep mystery of God in the light of our experience of Jesus. It, therefore, can also be the day above all days when we know that our response to that great mystery is worship. That is what we are about, especially when we gather here on Sundays — worship: seeking to experience, to ponder, to adore the mystery that is God.

That is why our worship needs to be not just words, but song and ceremony and other kinds of symbols that do not depend on words — for all are vehicles by which we can glimpse — experience — just something of the mystery. The experience is everything, the words by themselves are nothing. So, I hope that our worship on this day will enable you to feel that great mystery a little more profoundly.

Here at St Philip's, we certainly know the importance and value of music, and so we are delighted and very grateful that this afternoon Colin Forbes is offering a recital of five Beethoven sonatas. Please come along if you can at 2.00pm.

Another very powerful way to enter into the experience of mystery is through silence, and this weekend those who belong to the Tuesday Home Group have gone on a retreat at the Benedictine Monastery in Jamberoo. Please pray that it might be a time of both physical and spiritual refreshment for them.

Today, we are again in the midst of a special Week. This time it is the World Week for Peace in Palestine Israel, 4-10 June 2009. The World Council of Churches is inviting churches and related organizations to join a week of prayer, advocacy and action for a just peace in Palestine and Israel, because of the urgent need for a peace settlement that secures the legitimate rights and future of both peoples. Particularly this morning, we can pray with churches living under occupation, using a special prayer from Jerusalem (some copies will be available). Education and advocacy are also crucial responses, and further information and ideas can

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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Pray for children who have never known peace, who have been traumatized and victimized by war.
**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Okigwe South - (Province of Owerri, Nigeria)
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of Brisbane: Archbishop Phillip Aspinall, Bishops Geoff Smith, Rob Nolan, Jonathan Holland, Clergy and People
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## Second Sunday after Pentecost
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**Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson**
*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- 1Samuel 15:34 - 16:13
- Psalm 20
- 2Corinthians5:6-10(11-13)14-17
- Mark 4:26-34

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 216, 795, 414, 627

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We see this in the gospel reading this morning. It features two of Jesus' parables that liken the Kingdom of God to seed growing: seed that is planted and grows and produces grain 'in secret'; and the mustard seed that produces the largest tree in the field. These parables emphasise the certainty of growth and its mystery. They speak about the ultimate triumph of the reign of God, and the final triumph of love and goodness, in the face of the apparent triumph of hate and violence in the world. The parables, therefore, are wonderfully hopeful for us in giving us courage to continue our Christian life of faith and discipleship.

This morning we have a special privilege at St Philip's: we will be presenting Meg Colwell with a CAMRA Honorary Life Membership, at the end of the 10.00am Service. Then a big cake to follow for morning tea! Last Sunday afternoon, Colin Forbes gave us a wonderful performance of five Beethoven Sonatas, and on everyone's behalf I want to express much appreciation to him. What talent! All who were there enjoyed it very much, indeed were inspired by Colin's gift to us, and we look forward to other occasions.

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**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Province of Ondo, Nigeria; The Rt Rev'd George L Lasebikan
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Parishes of Good Shepherd, Curtin: David Robinson; Brindabella Gardens, Curtin: Chaplain: Morton Johnston; St Peter's Weston: Jason Page; All Souls', Chapman: Rob Donald; Anglicare: The Open Door Shop
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## 21st June 2009

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Readings:

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**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 28, 580, 254, 674

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to our Eucharist at St Philip's this morning on this third Sunday after Pentecost.

Today's gospel reading, recounting Jesus stilling the storm, draws a number of Mark's most frequent and basic themes together into one story. One theme is about Jesus' identity. With the disciples we see the very human Jesus asleep in the boat in the middle of the storm. Storms and water in the ancient Hebrew tradition represent the forces of evil and chaos that God alone can control. When Jesus is roused from sleep by his frightened disciples he calms the storm and the disciples recognise in him the power and presence God. They ask the question, "Who is this, that the wind and the waves obey him"?. It is the fundamental question raised by the ministry of Jesus. This story points us back to other biblical stories, such as the creation, the flood, the crossing the Reed Sea and the River Jordan, to seek the answer. We also see in the story Mark's interest in nurturing the faith of his readers. With the disciples we are invited to answer the question about Jesus' identity and we are challenged in turn by Jesus' question, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?". Mark's story encourages us to trust God — that God will be with us through all the "storms" of life, not necessarily rescuing us from them, as God did not rescue Jesus, (or Job or Paul in our other readings), but in giving us the grace and strength we need and in always opening new possibilities for us for life and growth and love.

One matter from the Parish Council today concerns the use of incense. The question was referred to the PC from the Annual Meeting, and since then a great deal of consideration has been given to the matter by both the PC and the Liturgy Group. The outcomes of all these deliberations have been brought together into a small leaflet which is available for you this morning. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the process in a careful and sensitive manner.

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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Families and friends of those who were murdered or disappeared in Argentina and Uruguay.
Give thanks for: Composers and poets who have brought new songs to the churches of these countries and to Christians all over the world.
**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Oturkpo - (Province of Jos, Nigeria) The Rt Revd David Bello
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- Psalm 130 | Psalm 30
- 2Corinthians 8:(1-6) 7-15
- Mark 5:21-43

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*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- Lamentations 3:22-33
- Psalm 30 - page 249
- 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
- Mark 5:21-43

**10am Hymns:** Together in Song 606, 647, 598, 421

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Dear Friends,

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The gospel reading today is part of a series of four demonstrations of the power of the Kingdom of God to transform human experience delivering us from all that would diminish life and keep us from relationship with God, and enabling us to come into fullness of life with God. After giving us a series of parables that teach about the nature of the Kingdom, Mark gives these examples of how the Kingdom of God works in practice. The first of the four demonstrations was found in last week's passage - the stilling of the storm, rescuing from the chaos and meaninglessness that evil can bring. Then comes Mark's description of the healing of the demoniac (which we don't hear), in which we see the power of God to deliver from evil forces that would reduce human life to chaos. The third and fourth demonstrations are the intertwining stories in today's passage. Both are about the healing of women, one afflicted for twelve years, one only alive for twelve years. Through the power of the Reign of God, both are restored to wholeness.

There are just a few things to mention today. As we come to end of the month, I want to remind you of the appeal for Nungalinya College, which is the National Indigenous Education and Training College of the Anglican, Roman Catholic and Uniting Churches. Please support it as generously as you can.

We are coming to the end of the Old Testament study series: there is only one more session to go. The Wednesday morning group will meet this week, but the evening group meeting is being deferred till the following week, and so those who have been coming will have a free Wednesday evening this week.

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**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Bolivia, Chile, Peru. Pray for the rights of indigenous and mestizo (mixed race) peoples in these countries.

**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Diocese of Patna - (North India) The Rt Rev'd Philip Phembuar Marandih
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- Psalm 48
- 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
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ìCome and see,î said Philip

Welcome to St Philipís OíConnor!

Sunday 5 July 2009

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Ezekiel 2.1-15 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12.2-10

Dear Friends,

A very warm welcome to you as we gather at St Philipís this morning for our Eucharist on this fifth Sunday after Pentecost.

I extend a special welcome to Claire Mary Ann Bridley, who is to be baptised this morning during the 10.00am Eucharist, and to her family and family friends who are with her.

The first part of the gospel reading today brings to a close the beginning phase of Jesusí Galilean ministry, with an unmistakable focus on the new family of Jesus. Jesus has generated a new family, and provided a new criterion for belonging to that family: living according to the way of God. He has continued his powerful proclamation of the Kingdom in both word and deed. Yet the first signs of rejection have begun to appear, and this opening phase of his ministry concludes when the people of his hometown dismiss him as a person without authority. Nevertheless, his disciples are still with him, following him, despite their shortcomings. Jesus invites them to share his mission, and it is around them that Jesusí new family will continue to be formed. Across the centuries, it is baptism that has been the mark signifying entry into that family, and we can be reminded of our own belonging to the family of Christ as we share in a baptism this morning.

This morning we also welcome again Alexander OíSullivan who will be our organist both today and next Sunday while Colin is having some time away during the school holidays..

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Strictly no housewarming gifts ñ we have everything we need and too much of what we want!

St Philipís Garage Sale Saturday 25 July, 8am ñ 12noon

Donations of goods welcome.

Helpers needed from 6am to setup. Can you make something for Morning tea? Please see Leighton for further details.

St Philipís Twilight Community Fair Saturday 21 November, 3-7pm

Barbie dolls wanted plus any other Barbie products. Please see Margaret Woodbridge.

PRAYER from the ecumenical cycle.

To be more patient,

give us strength, Lord.

To become peace-makers,

equip us, Lord.

To be right,

give us your light, Lord.

To accept our faults,

give us humility, Lord.

To be in solidarity with those who suffer,

make us sympathetic, Lord.

That our actions will be guided by love,

give us your Spirit, Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela

Give thanks and pray for: Those who pay the high cost of working for justice and peace.

Anglican Communion: Diocese of Phulbani - (North India) The Rt Rev'd Bijay Kumar Nayak

Diocesan Cycle: Diocese of Bathurst: Bishop Richard Hurford, John and Jan Stead (as John prepares to leave Wagga Wagga and be consecrated bishop on August 29th); St Mark's National Theological Centre, Canberra;

All being prepared for ministries in the Diocese and beyond; Centre for Ageing and Pastoral Studies;

Pray for: Vocations to the sacred ministry.

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Sunday 12 July 2009

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings:  Amos 7. 7-14 Psalm 85. 8-13 Ephesians 1.1-14 Mark 6.14-29

Dear Friends,

Today we come to the sixth Sunday after Pentecost, and I am pleased to welcome you to our celebration of the Eucharist here at St Philipís this morning.

Interestingly, today the Lectionary gives us a gospel reading that mainly tells us of the beheading of John the Baptist.  Spare a thought for the preacher!  Mark seems to use his traditions concerning the death of John the Baptist for at least two reasons.  John is the messenger who announces Jesus, and he has an unswerving commitment to his God-given mission: to preach a baptism of repentance.  It has cost him his life.  Second, his life and death have close parallels with the life and death of Jesus; his death points forward to Jesusí death.  Being placed in the midst of the account of the disciplesí mission, Mark uses Johnís death to emphasise that discipleship is no easy life: it is a costly choice.

This morning there is a special announcement to be made.  Robyn Moore is to be ordained Deacon at the Diocesan Ordination Service in the Cathedral on Saturday 28th November.  As you probably know, Robyn has been a participant in the Ordination Programme for the last eighteen months, and that was preceded by a year of preparation and discernment for acceptance into that programme.  Now, she is to be ordained for the ministry of a Vocational Deacon ñ one who is to exercise a particular ministry in the community ñ and for Robyn that ministry will continue to be expressed primarily through her role at the Northbourne Community Centre.  It is certainly an acknowledgement and endorsement of her ministry there by the wider church.  We congratulate her and pray for her as she prepares for her ordination.

It is important that I give another reminder of the next ëCreating Safe Ministriesí workshop, because so far no one has indicated their intention to attend.  All involved in childrenís ministry and Church Wardens are required to attend a workshop if they have not done so already. This one is on Saturday 22nd August at the Gungahlin Anglican Church, 9.30am-3.30pm.. It would be good to register early, so please let me know soon.

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Sunday, 26 July, 12noon

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pleased to welcome you there.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama

Anglican Communion: Portsmouth, UK - The Rt Rev'd Dr Kenneth Stevenson

Diocesan: Diocese of Grafton: Bishop Keith Slater, Clergy and People

Parishes of Holy Covenant, Jamison: Susanna Pain (Nikolai Blaskow), Jill Crawford (Ministry in Colleges in ACT), Jasmine Dron; Christ Church, Hawker: Guerin Tueno; Ginninderra Gardens, Page: Chaplains: Wendy Bloomfield (Nursing Home), Guerin Tueno (Hostel); Calvary Hospital, Bruce: Anglican Chaplaincy Team; Clare Holland House (ACT Hospice), Barton: TBA; St James', Holt: Nick Speyer (Joy), Anne Ranse, Colin Puffett (Youth Worker)

Pray for: Anglicare activities in caring for and supporting older people in nursing homes, hostels, independent living units and in the general community; for staff and volunteers; for clients.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Liz Sloane, Brenda Harrison

The Saints: Sydney James Kirkby, bishop, pioneer of outback ministry and the Bush Church Aid Society. (d.1935)

PRAYER from the ecumenical cycle.

Loving God, I offer myself to you.

May my mind think of you, and my eyes see the needs of others.

May my ears hear the cries of the world and my voice speak of you.

May my hands work for your reign and my feet walk on your path.

May my life be used in your service and my heart love you more than anything else.

May the joy of the Lord be my strength to serve him all the days of my life.

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Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

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Subject:This week @ St Philip's O'Connor - Sunday 19 July 2009

From:

Date:Mon, 20 Jul 2009 19:12:48 +1000

To:St Philips Anglican Church O'Connor <stphil@grapevine.com.au>

ìCome and see,î said Philip

Welcome to St Philipís OíConnor!

Sunday 19 July 2009

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Jeremiah 23.1-16 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2.11-22 Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

Dear Friends,

Welcome to St Philipís this morning.

On this Seventh Sunday after Pentecost the readings focus on an issue that is a problem for many in contemporary society ñ getting the work-life balance right. The hectic busyness of modern western society is partly fuelled by a desire to be needed and to matter. When this desire is not met by faith, work can become a way to justify our existence and maintain our dignity. People identify the symbol of this trend in our society as the mobile phone and the ëcultic practiceí of the belief is the relentless attention people pay to text messages and emails. In the gospel passage, Jesus welcomes the disciples back from their mission. As part of their debriefing Jesus becomes aware of his friendsí tiredness and invites them to a time of quiet, a time to withdraw from the demands and busyness of their lives. The disciples and Jesus need the time to renew their energy, their connection with each other, and their relationship with God. We all need time and space to gain new vision and energy, to refocus our lives, and reconnect with who we are as followers of Jesus. Time for prayer, reflection and the enjoyment of life as Godís primary gift to us are essential for human flourishing, spiritual, physical and emotional.

Today, we have the unexpected (and sad for us) news that Doug and Anne Bannerman are moving from Canberra to Alstonville in northern NSW. And we find that this morning will be the last time they are both with us at St Philipís before they move. After a long association with the parish, it is a big change for them and for us, and we will miss them greatly. But as they prepare to move, and Anne to take up her new position at the Southern Cross University library, we assure them of our very good wishes and prayers, and thank them for all they have contributed to this parish community and all they have meant to us as friends.

Finally for today, another reminder ñ to those for whom it is relevant - of the next Creating Safe Ministries workshop on Saturday 22nd August at the Gungahlin Anglican Church, 9.30am-3.30pm.

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ANOTHER ADVENTURE FOR THE BANNERMANS

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close to Ballina, Byron Bay and Lismore.

They will be returning to Canberra regularly and will be at St Philipís from time to time.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico

Give thanks for Church leaders who have spoken on behalf of the downtrodden.

Pray for peaceful settlement of border disputes, for the disappeared in Guatemala and the political situation in Honduras.

Anglican Communion Cycle: The Rt Revíd Samuel Azariah Moderator, Church of Pakistan & Bishop of Raiwin.  Pray that we might become aware of those whom we exclude. Pray for the Anglican church as it works to include all.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of Perth: Archbishop Roger Herft, Bishops Tom Wilmot, Kay Goldsworthy, Clergy and People

Young District Anglican Ministry: John Thomas (Christine), Barbara Moon

Mothersí Union: Chaplain: Bishop Allan

Pray for: Shared ministry with our neighbouring Dioceses particularly Riverina and Bathurst; development of unity and cooperation in our Province and National Church.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Liz Sloane, Brenda Harrison.

The Saints: Mary Magdalene (feast day 22nd July); James, Apostle and Martyr (feast day 25th July)

PRAYER from the ecumenical cycle.

Spirit of Unity, gather in this humble prayer the prayers from all your people in the world, that your peace, your justice and your mercy enfold us and enable us to live as one, the new humanity of peace.

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Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans

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Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

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To:St Philips Anglican Church O'Connor <stphil@grapevine.com.au>

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Sunday 26 July 2009

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: 2 Kings 4.42-44 Psalm 145.10-18 Ephesians 3.14-21 John 6.1-21

Dear Friends,

A very warm welcome to you as we gather at St Philipís this morning for our Eucharist on this eighth Sunday after Pentecost.

In recent weeks our gospel readings have been passages in Mark which precede and then surround the feeding of the 5000 and its sequel, the walking on water. Now just when we might expect to hear Markís account of the feeding, the framers of our Lectionary take us away from Mark and switch us to John. Symbolism is very important for all the gospel writers, and Mark seems to have developed the use of bread as a symbol to represent the gospel, and the fact that he includes two stories of feeding, in different locations, further seems to suggest that he wants to celebrate that this good news is both for Israel (5000) and for the Gentiles (4000). However, the switch to Johnís Gospel for the feeding of the 5000 is not altogether inappropriate because John is very much into symbols and he has developed the symbol of bread even further, to the point where the bread is Jesus himself. John then elaborates this symbol in the long discourse on the theme of ëthe bread of lifeí. Our gospel readings during the coming weeks will take us through this discourse.

At a meeting of the parishís Liturgy Group a few months ago I was asked about the possibility of presenting a series of addresses on the Liturgy ñ our Order of Service for the Eucharist. The impending gospel readings from John chapter 6 seems to provide a very appropriate context in which to do so, and therefore I will seek to do this on the next three Sunday mornings. If I can make a contribution in this way to an understanding of our worship, then I am very happy to do so.

Every blessing to you for today, and for the week ahead, Ray

Key Points from the Parish Councilís July Meeting

∑ In the Rectory, the bathroom upgrades, painting throughout and laying of new floor coverings have all been completed. New curtains in the living areas will be installed next week.

∑ The Council has given the go-ahead for some significant plumbing/drainage work in the Rectory to rectify a long-standing problem.

∑ Work on the first phase of paving in the courtyard and for

Pandoraís is now complete and security screens have been installed on the front and back doors and on the side window.

∑ We were not successful in securing financial support from Anglicare for the Northbourne Community Centre. However we have now received formal advice that the Snow Foundation will provide some significant funding for the Centre for this financial year with a continuation of some funding for next year.

∑ $500 has been provided to Nungalinya College in the Northern Territory. The Retiring collection in August will support another of our mission projects ñ the Toungoo Water Project in Myanmar.

WHATíS ON @ ST PHILIPíS

Retiring Offering in August

For the Toungoo Water Project in Myanmar.

Working Bee @ the Rectory Saturday 8 August, 9am ñ 12 noon

The focus will be on the remaining work in the Rectory garden. Hopefully there will also be time to tackle some of the Church grounds. Please put the date in your diaries.

St Philipís Twilight Community Fair Saturday 21 November, 3-7pm

Itís on again! Your committee of Kerry-Anne Cousins, Denise Manley, Leighton Mann, Ann Munro and Helen Palethorpe have started the planning process for this yearís St Philipís community event and we need your help!

What you can do now!

fi Give us suggestions for food to be sold. This year we will be serving Gourmet Hamburgers, Curries ñ chicken, beef and vegetarian. If you have any other good ideas for food that can be readily made and safely sold please let us know

fi Make Christmas cakes large and small ñ ask for a refund for the cost of ingredients. Christmas cakes are a most sought after item on our Kitchen Creations stall!

fi Bring your donations for the Gourmet Food Hamper raffle by end of August ready for Pandoraís Fashion Parade on 13th September.

fi Commit contributing to the Skills Auction ñ everyone has valuable skills be it baking, ironing, driving, cleaning, singing, gardening ñ details and forms available soon

fi Dust off your old Barbie Dolls and give them to Margaret Woodbridge ñ there will be a special Barbie Doll stall.

fi Start potting plants for sale at the Plant Stall

fi Please let us know if you would like to be the coordinator of a stall or any aspect of the event. We need leaders for each section. The more hands the lighter the load!

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Thank you for your help and support!

Parish Roll

The Parish Roll again needs updating and this will be done over the next three to four weeks. Please check your own details but also have a look for entries of people that should be deleted for example who have moved from the Parish or Canberra. Many thanks to Brian and James for coordinating the update.

Farewell Gift for Sandra Lamerton

Sandy has written to express thanks for the farewell gift, saying in the card ìThe unexpected and generous cheque took my breath away. If only the people at St. Philips realised the value of their largesse given to me over my time there. Christ is in us all. With love î.

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Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: The Caribbean. Give thanks for The Caribbean Council of Churches; for warm seas and idyllic beaches. Patois, Creole, Srana, Bajan and other languages which fill these islands with meaning.

Anglican Communion Cycle: Rhode Island - (Province I, USA) The Rt Rev'd Geralyn Wolf

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Parishes and ministries on the South Coast: Twofold Bay, Fay Fraser, Helen Cowgill; Merimbula Pambula, David Luck, Andrew Bowyer; Bimbimbie Retirement Village; Bega: Chris Short; Wambiri Youth and Conference Centre: Manager: Stuart Macleod; Sapphire Coast Anglican College: Principal, Tony Horsley;

Pray for: The Church's ministry in holiday resorts.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel.

The Departed: Sheila ìDotî Mayo d.22/7/02, Michael Gamble d.24/7/97, Portia Vincent d.26/7/90.

The Saints: Mary and Martha of Bethany; William Wilberforce (d.1833); Joseph of Arimathea; Ignatius of Loyola (d.1556); Holy men and women of the Old Testament.

PRAYER adapted from the ecumenical cycle.

We thank you for the gifts your bounteous grace provides.

Save us from becoming purveyors of the careless and irresponsible disposal of the waste we produce.

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Wednesday 10am Holy Communion

Friday 10am-1pm: Pandoraís OPEN ñ Valerie Seymour & Beryl Blaseotto

Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandoraís OPEN ñ Rhyanna Tarlington

NEXT SUNDAY 8am & 10am Eucharist

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Rosters: Cleaning: Leighton & Ruth

Flowers: Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

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Reader: John Girdlestone

10am: Sidespeople: Roger Sharp & Chris Cheah

Bible Readers: 1st Fiona Dyer, 2nd David Tscharke

Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty

Morning Tea: Volunteer or no

morning tea!

10am: St Philipís Team @ Calvary Hospital Chapel

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Sunday 6 September 2009

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10 am Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 35. 4-7; Psalm 146 - page 377; James 2.1-17

Mark 7.24-37

10am Music: Together in Song: 282, 638, 160, 658

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Ray Williamson

Flowers: Val Reeves

8am:

Sidespeople: John Girdlestone

Reader: John Girdlestone

10am:

Lay Minister: Sarah Gowty

Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

Sidespeople: Roger Sharp & Chris Cheah

Bible Readers: 1st Chris Cheah, 2nd ??

Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty

Name Badges

Have you found yours on the new board? If you are missing, please see Denise who will make you a new one! Please wear your name badge each Sunday, especially 'Back to Church Sunday' when we will be inviting our friends along.

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Dear Friends,

A very warm welcome to St Philip's this morning for our Eucharist on this Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

It is also Father's Day! So, a very happy day to all the fathers among us.

The readings for this Sunday offer us a vision of 'the time of fulfillment' when eyes will be opened and ears unstopped and hearts will leap for joy. There will be healing for human brokenness and pain, creation will be renewed in abundance and beauty and all people will be included in love of God. All this is God's promise from ancient times and the fulfillment of

the promise has begun in Jesus. Jesus opens our eyes to the reality of God's presence - in the goodness of people and the beauty and fragility of life. Jesus opens our ears to hear God's Word spoken to us - in the Scriptures, by others and through all creation. With these touches by Jesus, our world and our lives become charged with the presence of God and we know joy.

Please remember that next Sunday is Back to Church Sunday. Along with several other parishes in the area, St Philip's will be part of a large advertisement in the Canberra Times next Wednesday to inform people about "Back to Church Sunday". Our own personal invitation will also be an important part of this endeavour to encourage people 'back to Church'. If you have not given your invitation to someone yet, please do so soon. This is an occasion when everyone is asked to make a special effort to bring family or a friend or someone you know who has not been to Church for some time. It is a great opportunity for us to invite others into this place of worship, where they might be touched by Jesus, stirred by his story, and see the presence of God shining in his face.

Every blessing to you for today, and for the week ahead, Ray

WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

Pandora's Spring Fashion Parade Saturday 12 September, 11.30am Champagne Lunch $8

'Back to Church Sunday' 13 September

Invite a friend! Please bring something to share for morning tea (following 10am Service) maybe your favourite Muffins!

St. Philip's Family Picnic  Sunday 27 September, from 12noon

Cotter Avenue, Cotter River Reserve

BYO everything. Huge playground available for the kids.

CAMRA Recital by Stephen Anthony Brown

'Five Knights and a Gondola' Tuesday 27 October, 7.30pm

Garage Sale  Saturday 31 October, 8am ñ 12noon

All Souls / All Saints Sunday 1 November

Royal School of Church Music Sunday 1 November, 3pm

Hymnfest & Organ Recital St Philip's O'Connor

Gospel Service Sunday 15 November, 10am

St Philip's Twilight Community Fair Saturday 21 November, 3-7pm

Today will be the last chance to donate items for the Gourmet Hamper. The Gourmet Hamper Raffle will commence at Pandora's Spring Fashion Parade.

Your wonderful Recipes to Sarah Gowty for the St Philip's Cookbook, which will be launched & sold at the Fair

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Start making Christmas cakes ñ ask for a refund for the cost of ingredients. Christmas cakes are a most sought after item on our Kitchen Creations stall!

Start potting plants for the Garden Stall

Christ the King, Sung Eucharist (with incense) Sunday 22 November, 10am

Robin Moore's Ordination Saturday 28 November

(St Saviours Cathedral, Goulburn) (time tbc)

Advent Dinner in the Courtyard Saturday 28 November, 6.30pm

First Sunday of Advent Sunday 29 November

Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday 20 December

Service of Lessons and Carols 7.30pm

Christmas Eve Thursday 24 December

Family Christmas Pageant 7pm

Sung Eucharist 11.30pm

Christmas Day Friday 25 December

Eucharist (with incense) 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Cycle: Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia

Anglican Communion: The Most Rev'd John Wilson Gladstone Moderator, Church of South India & Bishop of South Kerala

The Diocese Cycle: the Diocese of Bendigo: Bishop Andrew Curnow, Clergy and People.

Canberra Grammar School: Headmaster, Simon Murray; staff and students; Chaplain Senior School, Chris Welsh (Deborah); Head of Department of Religious and Values Education, Jeff Knowles.

Canberra Girls' Grammar School: Principal, Susan Just, staff and students; Chaplain, Paul Harris; Part Time Assistant Chaplains Kathryn Appleby and Lisa Perkins.

Anglican News: Lew Hitchick and the production team

Pray for: The work of Christian education in all schools.

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Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish $2090 per week, excludes rental income.

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Retiring Offering - Toungoo water project $5

Pandora's income 28 & 29 August $159

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Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor!

Sunday 13 September 2009

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost & 'Back to Church Sunday'

8.00am & 10 am Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a; James 2.18-26; Mark 8.27-38

10am Music: Together in Song: 432, 71 (response 2), 473, 526, 242

During The Prayers of the People: "A Touching Place" The Iona Community
During Communion: "Wondrous Love" American Folk Hymn arr. Richard Walters

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Ray Williamson

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

8am:

Sidespeople: Volunteer

Reader: Rhonda Evans

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As we come to worship today we hear a gospel passage that is often seen as a turning point in Mark's gospel.  It signals a moment of recognition: Peter confesses Jesus as the Messiah, the Christ.  It reminds us that for

each one of us, our own recognition of Jesus as the Christ is a profound turning point. But in the gospel passage, it all goes terribly wrong; and we are reminded also that we cannot escape the fact that confession of Jesus as Christ is not enough! Peter got the recognition right, but got it wrong in understanding the meaning of it. He rejects any suggestion that Jesus would ever be vulnerable and suffer, that Jesus would ever be anything but successful in the usual sense of the word. The portrait of Jesus we have in the gospels is one that subverts popular norms of greatness and power. But it does not just tell us something about Jesus as an historical person. It also has something to do with our understanding of God and our understanding of what it means to be a disciple. We are followers of one who lived seeking to liberate people from anything that oppressed them. His focus was about change in individuals and communities. In doing so he offered us a new understanding of God. This is the Christ we follow, and the God we worship and in whose presence we live.

Today is the day Erica and I leave on our journey overseas ? to the Middle East, especially the Land of the Holy One, and to the UK. There will be ten of us in the Middle East (including Linda and Chris) and there are plans for us to offer an opportunity to tell something of our experience when we return (although finding a date is not easy!). I will be away for four Sundays, and then back till the end of November. May all be well here at St Philip's.

Every blessing to you for today, and for these next few weeks, Ray.

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Our New Rector

It is with great pleasure that the St. Philip's members of the Clergy Appointment Board are finally able to advise that Bishop Stuart has appointed Rebecca Newland as Rector Designate of St Philip's. Rebecca will resign from her current position as Rector at St. Albans in Lyons sometime before 1 December, which, to the best of our knowledge, will be her induction date here. Her induction will also be Bishop Stuart's first official visit to St Philip's.

Many parishioners will of course remember Rebecca with affection and respect from her previous time with us, most recently when she acted as our Rector while Rob Lamerton was on leave for 9 months from May 2006 to January 2007.

Until Rebecca starts with us, Ray Williamson has generously agreed to continue as our locum, for which we remain extremely grateful, and indeed honoured.

Denise Manley, Ian Cousins and Chris Cheah.

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Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish $2090 per week, excludes rental income.

Offerings received 6 September: $514 + EFT $508 = $1022. Shortfall $1068

Pandora's income 4 & 5 September $195.25

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WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

Piano Recital by our Organ Scholar: Alexander O'Sullivan

Today 11.45am (duration approx. 45 mins)

This is an opportunity for the congregation to hear the results of their support of Alexander's piano studies. Over the last 12 months Alexander has deputised on a number of occasions during Colin's absence, most notably over the Christmas period. We are grateful for his significant contribution, as he is for St Philip's assistance towards his development. This recital is both a 'dry run' for his impending AMusA & a practical way of saying 'thank you' to St Philip's. The recital is FREE, although donations towards the scholarship fund will be gratefully received. The programme includes works by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin & Bartok.

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Your wonderful Recipes to Sarah Gowty for the St Philip's Cookbook, which will be launched & sold at the Fair

Margaret Woodbridge is after Barbie Dolls and other Barbie products.

Start making Christmas cakes ? ask for a refund for the cost of ingredients. Christmas cakes are a most sought after item on our Kitchen Creations stall!

Start potting plants for the Garden Stall

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

St George's Anglican Church, Bagdad **

Ecumenical Cycle: Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania

Anglican Communion: Southern Highlands, Tanzania:The Rt Rev'd John Mwela

The Diocese Cycle: Ministry with Aboriginal People of Australia: Bishop James Leftwich, Aboriginal Clergy and People

Combined Ministry District of St Paul's, Manuka, St David's, Red Hill and St Luke's, Deakin: Brian Douglas (Jane), Michael Armstrong (Angela), Bishop Neville Chynoweth (Joan), Peter Pocock, John Gibson (Narelle)

St David's Close Self Care Units, Red Hill: Warden David Clark (Toni)

Aged Care Chaplaincy: Jill Elliot, Chaplain to Morling Lodge Nursing Home, Jindalee Nursing Home and Carey Gardens Aged Hostel in Red Hill; Gloria Dowling, Chaplain to Mountain View Aged Care Facility

John James Memorial Hospital: Clem Watts

Pray for: Peace in the world.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Catherine, Joyce Braithwaite.

The Departed: Athol Horace Barratt 9/9/04

** ST GEORGE's Anglican Church was one of many buildings in Baghdad damaged during a day of bombings on Wednesday of last week. In one of the worst outbreaks of violence for many months, up to 100 people were killed and hundreds more were injured when government ministries in the Iraqi capital were targeted.

Scores of buildings were hit by the force of the explosions. The Chaplain of St George's, Canon Andrew White, said: "One of the bomb blasts blew out every window in the church and in the clinic. No one there was killed, but several people in the clinic were injured by flying glass." He said that doctors from the clinic went out into the streets to help treat the hundreds of people injured by the bombings. "We give thanks to God that no one in the church was killed, and that our doctors were able to help."

Canon White, who was in the UK at the time, said he had contacted the Bishop in Cyprus & the Gulf, the Rt Rev'd Michael Lewis, who had sent his love and prayers to all concerned. A statement from the Foundation for Relief and Reconciliation in the Middle East said the motives for last Wednesday's bombings "were, in all probability, sectarian. Religious leaders wield enormous influence in Iraqi society; power that can be used for good or ill, to incite aggression, or to promote peace." Canon White is president of the Foundation.

Although churches were not targeted in these bombings, Christian places of worship have been attacked. Last month, security at St George's and other churches was strengthened after seven churches in the capital and one in the northern city of Mosul were bombed.

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8am:

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.

Readings: Proverbs 31.10-31; Psalm 1; James 3.1-12; Mark 9.30-37

10am Music: Together in Song: 246, 427, 498 and 545

Presiding and Preaching: Rev'd Dr Don Saines

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

8am: Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn

Reader: Shane Woodburn

10am: Lay Minister: Sarah Gowty

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The gospel today is as usual a good reminder of the practices we are invited to share as a community of Christ. Being a servant is not necessarily an easy role and some of us especially need to hear the balance Jesus brings to this when he speaks of us as no longer servants but

friends. Only through friendship and love do we find the strength to give to others. This is why we also need to sit at the feet of others and especially to gain inner strength from knowing we are loved by God and our friends.

Today Jesus also speaks of welcoming children into our midst. For me children bring liveliness and the unexpected. My grandchildren (we have four so far!) always break me away from being too focused. But Jesus speaks here of something more: children were not considered socially important ? so his comment is linked back to the discussion about who is to be greatest. This is not a request to put ourselves down or to think less of ourselves; it is rather a reminder to think of others who, like us, are made in the image of God.

I look forward to our weeks together. If you would like a pastoral visit or some spiritual guidance during this time, please contact me on 0402 588 221.

With every best wish, Don

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The Diocese Cycle: Diocese of Riverina: Bishop Douglas Stevens, Clergy and People.

Cootamundra: David Ruthven (Sharon), Colleen Close (John), Lyn Forsyth (Clive)

Temora: Michael Faragher (Rhonda) Junee and Junee Correctional Centre:

Pray for: Cursillo Movement Lay Director, Rob Barrett; Spiritual Director Caroline Campbell; Secretariat; Servant Communities.

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Twilight Fair ? raffle $62.80

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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10 am Eucharist

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Readings: Esther 7.1-6, 9-10, 9.20-22; Psalm 124 - page 361; James 5.12-20; Mark 9.38-50

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important ways we seek to hear God together and discern the tasks ahead for our church in this region.

Sometimes the most menial of tasks do have important consequences, not only for ourselves but for the wider plan of God's purposes. Today readings from the book of Esther in the Hebrew Scriptures and the Gospel of Mark are something of a reminder of this and of God's providence I our lives. Esther may not be a story you have read, but it is worth reading. It is a story of salvation and yet the name of God is not mentioned and nor is there any account of the Jews in the story offering prayers throughout their trials. And yet the strong inference is that God is there throughout and bringing salvation to pass.

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St Philip's Anglican Church in O'Connor is looking for a coordinator to minister to pre-school and school aged children and their families.

Hours: up to 5 hours per week (including Sunday morning worship). $22/hour + superannuation

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Ecumenical Cycle: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia

Anglican Communion: The Most Rev'd David Robert Chillingworth Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church & Bishop of St Andrews, Dunkeld & Dunblane

The Diocese Cycle: Diocese of Willochra: Bishop Garry Weatherill

Parishes of Cobargo: Harvey and Elizabeth Sloane; Bodalla-Narooma: Trevor Smith (Lyndell), Janet Williams (Dale), Judy Taylor; Open Sanctuary @ Tilba Tilba: Linda Chapman (Anthony Mayne); Moruya: Robin Lewis-Quinn; Batemans Bay: Ian Lambert (Jill), Colin Walters (Kay); Boomerang Meeting Place: Tom Slockee (Muriel).

St Peter's Anglican College: Principal, Tony Horsley; staff and students; Chaplain, Mark Sweeney (Sandi)

Pray for: Aboriginal and Islander ministry: the Diocesan Koori Commission (Convenor: Tom Slockee), Bimbadeen Training College, Cootamundra.

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Sunday 4 October 2009

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10 am Eucharist

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Readings: Job 1.1; 2.1-10; Psalm 26 ? page 246; Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16

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Dear Parishioners,

Sometimes events in our lives or in the world around us seem overwhelming. You will know the kinds of events I am talking about for we all face them from time to time. In our region the Tsunami that hit Samoa and American and the earthquake in Sumatra in Indonesia are cases in point. Such events seem hard to reconcile with the gospel of love we proclaim. Yet we do live in a world that is imperfect and these events are part and parcel of living, though I never want to say this glibly. Faith in God will be the

measure of our response to these events, and sometimes this will include asking questions of our creator and expressing anger and grief.

Human response in these times of tragedy is also moving and inspiring as we see human love and giving, and compassion dealt out in ways we thought impossible. In a sense this is also what today's gospel recognises ? the willingness to go to other human beings in need and to proclaim by word or deed the love of God. In fact there are often times when this is all we can do ? show the compassion of God in the best ways we know how.

Our prayers and thoughts are with the many in Indonesia and Samoa, American Samoa and Fiji who have lost or have injured loved ones and who face tough times ahead. May God give us grace to respond the best way we can.

Don

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Prayer For Healing Service

The next Bishop's Prayer For Healing Service will be Wednesday October 7 at 7.00pm, St. John's Canberra. There is (as always) much sickness, anxiety and grief across our diocesan church family. This service is an opportunity to present such concerns to our Lord, Jesus and to draw strength and comfort and release from Him. I do hope that parishes will conduct similar ministries locally and this service allows us all to see how such an event might be organised and structured.

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TIME OUT FOR MEN SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER, 2009

The theme of this retreat for men will be:

'The Open and Shut Doors:

knowing ourselves, knowing God and the will of God'

Jesus said: "Look at me. I stand at the door. I knock. If you hear me call and if you open the door, I'll come right in and sit down . . . with you . . ." (Revelation 3:20)

To which Silvanus adds an interesting footnote: ?Knock upon yourself as upon a door, and walk upon yourself as on a ? road. For if you walk on that path you cannot go astray, and when you knock on that door, what you open for yourself shall open. "

During this retreat we will be focusing on the question of knowing God's will for our lives. This will be ideal for us as we contemplate the rapidly approaching end of a year and the beginning of another.

Time out, in other words, to consider from where we have come, where we are at this moment, and the direction we are going to take into the future.

These moments aside are precious in a busy world, and can be truly life-changing.

Boris Pasternak, the great Russian writer observes that:

"When a moment knocks on the door of your life, it is often no louder than the beating of your heart and it is very easy to miss it."

Look forward to seeing you there.

The day will be led by Nikolai Blaskow, Associate Priest Holy Covenant Jamison, writer: screen, poetry, prose drama; short and documentary film maker.

When: Saturday 10th October 2009, from 10am to 3pm.

Where: St Mark's National Theological Centre Blackall Street, Barton

What to bring: bring your own lunch - morning and afternoon tea will be provided.

Cost: donation of $10-$20

Information and Registration: nikolai@nikolaiblaskow.com

Phone: (02) 62486465

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I don't think I am avoiding the real question that Jesus is putting to this man of many possessions, but it is a question about trust as well as about

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I have enjoyed being with you these last four weeks and pray God's blessing on you all as you venture ahead in grace. I hope to worship with you again in the future, God willing.

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"The global financial crisis is greatly increasing poverty and hardship in Australia. Its greatest victims, especially those without work, will continue to suffer long after the financial markets have recovered and the crisis has been declared over. Many Australian governments and community organisations have adopted the European concept of "social inclusion" as a policy theme. Will it help to promote hard-headed attention on those in greatest hardship and on underlying causes in areas like employment, income, housing and transport? Or will there be a softer focus, concentrating more on alleviating symptoms and on the less deeply disadvantaged?"

Time and Place: Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, corner

Blackall St and Kings Avenue, Barton, at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 14 October. A donation of $5 is invited to cover the cost of room hire. Supper is provided.

Who we are: The CES (Christian for an Ethical Society) is a local mainstream Christian ecumenical community organization seeking to bring issues of social justice into the public forum. Further information on the CES can be found at www.ces.org.au

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Pray for: The continuing development of accessible schools in the Diocese.

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Luke, Evangelist and Martyr

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Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray.

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Gilbert and Sullivan Masterclasses and Workshops with Guest Presenter Stephen Anthony Brown from the UK. Food @ St Philip's will be catering for this event. Help is required with cooking and preparing food and serving at the workshops, please see Leighton about how you can assist.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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Anglican Communion: The Gulf - (Pakistan) The Rt Rev'd Azad Marshall

The Diocese Cycle: Diocese of Grafton: Bishop Keith Slater, Clergy and People

Holy Covenant, Jamison: Susanna Pain (Nikolai Blaskow), Jill Crawford (Ministry in Colleges in ACT), Jasmine Dron

Christ Church, Hawker: Guerin Tueno (Emma)

Ginninderra Gardens, Page: Chaplains: Wendy Bloomfield (Nursing Home), Guerin Tueno (Hostel)

Calvary Hospital, Bruce: Anglican Chaplaincy Team

Clare Holland House (ACT Hospice), Barton: TBA

St James', Holt: Nick Speyer (Joy), Anne Ranse, Colin Puffett (Youth Worker)

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Please save your Egg cartons for the Mann's chooks and ducks, thanks.

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Sunday 25 October 2009

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Jeremiah 31. 7-9; Psalm 126; Hebrews 7.21-28; Mark 10.46-52

Dear Friends,

A very warm welcome to St Philip's on this Sunday morning, this Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost.

Today, we hear a gospel passage that brings to an end a significant section of Mark's gospel. It tells of the healing of a blind man, Bartimaeus, in Jericho. This is the final healing story in the gospel, and Mark has included it because of its double meaning. Like the recovery of the blind man in chapter 8, the story of Bartimaeus stands in contrast to the preceding failure of the disciples and symbolises the ability of those who have faith in Jesus to see the truth. The blind man sees something at least of the truth which the crowd is unable to see. The story is an appropriate climax to a section, which has spelt out the meaning of discipleship, but it also points forward to the incidents that follow. Mark's story is a final challenge to his readers to join Bartimaeus in following Jesus on the road, on the way, of discipleship, even though that road leads to Jerusalem and all that happens there.

The healing back in chapter 8 is located in Bethsaida; Bartimaeus is in Jericho; they are on the way to Jerusalem. For the recent travellers these are all familiar places: we visited them just about a month ago. So, this coming Thursday evening we will share with you some of the experience. Our story will be about the tour we made, the land and the places we visited; it will be about our experience in visiting the Christian sacred places in the land of the Holy One; and it will be about how our awareness was raised concerning the political situation in a land of occupation. I hope you will be able to join us.

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Key Points from October Parish Council Meeting

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2. Rebecca will spend occasional nights in the Rectory over the next six weeks. She is expected to move permanently into the Rectory a week or so before her induction on 1 December.

3. The painting of the outside woodwork of the Rectory is now complete and the locks have been re-keyed. Cleaning inside was a priority at the Working Bee on 17 October. There is then some remaining work to complete over the remaining six weeks.

4. Discussion has begun with Rebecca on a new covenant between her and the Parish. In accordance with Diocesan guidelines, this needs to be endorsed by the Bishop and completed by the time of her induction.

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Anglican Communion: Torit - (Sudan) The Rt Rev'd Bernard Oringa Balmoi

The Diocese: Diocese of the Northern Territory: Bishop Greg Thompson Parishes of Cooma: Paul Cohen, Jenni Roberts, Edith Mayhew; Berridale and Snowy Mountains: Carol Wagner; Southern Monaro: Ken Foster, Judy Holdsworth; Cooma Correctional Centre: Chaplain, Jenni Roberts; Snowy Mountains Grammar School: Principal, Andrew Rostron.

Pray for: Premier of New South Wales (Nathan Rees), Chief Minister of the ACT (Jon Stanhope), and their respective Governments and the Opposition

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The Saints: Simon and Jude, apostles and martyrs; Martin Luther (d.1546) and other Continental Reformers; and All Saints.

Prayer from the Ecumenical Cycle:

Lord Jesus, the storm is life and life is the storm and there is no escaping it; but what matters is that you are in the storm with us, a beacon and a presence that is sure.

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All Saints All Souls

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to worship at St Philip's today as we celebrate All Saints' Day with an observance of All Souls.

On this day the church looks backward to recall with gratitude the lives of people of faith who have gone before us. We remember 'great ones' from the distant past and those whose lives and memories remain painfully and preciously close. The Scripture readings today place our rememberings firmly in the context of God's future and fill our reflections with hope. The readings from Isaiah and Revelation look forward to a future when there is an end to the pain of hunger, grief and loneliness. It is a future when God dwells with God's people and is pictured as a great feast. The question of when this glorious future will come about is not answered. But the gospel story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead reminds us that God's future breaks through even in the present, and as it did for Mary and Martha, it fills us with joy.

It was very gratifying to see so many people from both the St Philip's and Holy Cross congregations here last Thursday evening for the travellers' Report Back. We certainly enjoyed sharing a little of our experiences and telling something of the situation we encountered. It was a great evening, with delicious food ? for which our appreciation goes to Kerry-Anne and Ian. But thanks to everyone for all your interest and support, and thank you too for the generous donation which I will pass on to the Middle East Council of Churches for the work in support of Palestinian refugees, especially in Gaza.

Every blessing to you for today, and for the week ahead, Ray

Bishop Stuart's latest 'YouTube' address can be accessed via our Parish Website www.stphilipsoconnor.org.au. Just click on the Bishop's face!

A big thank you from CAMRA

CAMRA (Canberra Academy of Music & Related Arts) would like to thank St Philip's for their continued support and providing us a home. We had a very successful G & S Masterclass weekend and the catering by Food @ St Philip's was outstanding!

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The Twilight Fair committee invites all who are playing a leading role. Things are pretty much on track this year but we just want to make sure everyone is aware of what is happening and who is doing what and that we haven't forgotten anything that really matters. Please BYO Lunch. Wine, juice, tea & coffee provided.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Cycle: Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda.

Pray for: Those displaced by violence and by the volcano in Goma, that they may be able to rebuild their lives.

Anglican Communion: Ughelli - (Province of Bendel, Nigeria) The Rt Rev'd Vincent O Muoghereh

The Diocesan Cycle: The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate: Archbishop Phillip Aspinall and The General Synod

The Bishops' Office: Bishop Stuart Robinson, Bishop Allan Ewing, Bishop Trevor Edwards, Bev Forbes, Wayne Brighton and Diocesan Registry; Anglican Development Fund; all who work in these tasks.

Pray for: The strengthening of relationships between the twenty-three Dioceses of the Australian Anglican Church, the development of our life and witness as a National Church and for our ecumenical relationships.

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The Saints: All Souls; Richard Hooker, priest and teacher (d.1600)

Everlasting Lord God, you hold all souls in life, we pray you to pour forth on your whole Church the bright beams of your light and heavenly comfort, that we following the steps of those who have loved and served you here on earth and are now at rest, may at the end go in with them to your full joy that has no end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (from the Melanesian

Prayer Book)

Prayer from the Ecumenical Cycle

Lord, you call on us to pray for our enemies.

Have mercy on those who are disposed to do us evil and who divide your church.

Deliver us, Lord, from every temptation.

Have mercy on our lack of belief and our wavering faith as we travel the path towards the unity of your people.

You are our God and we want always to be your people under the guidance of your Holy Spirit.

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Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10am Eucharist

The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.

Readings: Daniel 12.1-3 : Psalm 16 - page 234 : Hebrews 10.11-25 : Mark 13.1-11

10am Music: See below

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

8am: Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn; Reader: Shane Woodburn

10am:

Lay Minister: Brian McKinlay

Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

Sidespeople: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson

Bible Readers: 1st Linda Anchell, 2nd Fred Anchell

Chalice Servers: Grace B, James Kim & Linda Anchell

Morning Tea: James K & Roger Sharp

Visitors are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

At 10.00am Communion bread is administered first, then the small cup for intinction (dipping). The two common cups for sipping follow.

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our worship at St Philip's today, the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost. At the 10.00 Eucharist this morning we are to have the special Gospel Service music that has been organised by Pat. We are very grateful to her and to Colin and the choir for leading us in this way.

As we approach the end of the church's year, the major theme found in the readings today is ?endings' ? the end of time, the end of the Temple, the end of peace and security for Jesus' disciples with the outbreak of persecution. In the reading from Daniel, the events that will usher in 'the end' are described in apocalyptic terms, i.e. with vivid imagery and great drama. The understanding that lies behind apocalyptic literature is that regardless of the scope and intensity of the struggle that takes place in the world, and no matter how powerful the forces of evil may be, God, good and love will ultimately triumph. For this reason we can trust God and should live lives that place us on the side of love and goodness, working

with God to establish God's rule. Apocalyptic, therefore, also addresses present events. The gospel passage begins what is known as 'the little apocalypse' of Mark's gospel, which draws its imagery from the apocalyptic writings of the Old Testament. It understands the chaos and difficulty that life often is as ?the beginning of the birth-pangs'. Using this imagery, it takes seriously the reality of present suffering but at the same time is full of hope. What we wait for and struggle for is the birth of new life, not only for us as individuals, but for the whole world.

No doubt everyone is working hard for the Twilight Fair next Saturday afternoon. We very much look forward to it, and with much appreciation to all who have done so much in organising it.

The following Saturday, 28th November, as well as there being the Dinner here in the evening, there will be the Ordination Service in the Cathedral in Goulburn. Robin Moore is to be ordained Deacon, and I know that several people will be going to support her on this very special occasion. The Service begins at 11.00am, and the word is "get there early" if you want to be seated in the Cathedral.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday in the Christian, and we celebrate it as the Feast of Christ the King. It will be one of the special days when incense is used at the 10.00am Sung Eucharist.

Every blessing to you for today, and for the week ahead, Ray

HYMN 1

It's me. it's me, O Lord, Standin' in the need of prayer,

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1. Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord,

Standin' in the need of prayer (Rep)

2. Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me, O Lord,

Standin' in the need of prayer.

3. Not my father, not my mother, but its me, O Lord,

Standin' in the need of prayer.

4. Not the stranger, not my neighbour, but it's me, O Lord,

Standin' in the need of prayer.

HYMN 2

Kum bah-ya, my Lord, Kum bah-ya (Rep x 3), O Lord, Kum bah-ya.

1. Someone's praying, Lord, Kum bah-ya.

2. Someone's crying, Lord, Kum bah-ya.

3. Someone's singing, Lord, Kum bah-yah.

HYMN 3

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

2. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.....

3. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine.....

HYMN 4 (TiS 666)

1. We are marching in the light of God.

2. We are living in the light of God.

3. We are living in the love of God.

4. We are moving in the power of God.

HYMN 5 (TiS 720)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

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Give thanks for the rainforest and its gift of oxygen, so the world can breathe.

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The Diocesan Cycle: The Anglican Church of Australia: Diocese of Melbourne: Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Stephen Hale, Phillip Huggins, Paul White, Barbara Darling, Clergy and People

Parishes of St Alban the Martyr, Woden: Morton Johnston, Jane Foulcher. Australian Federal Police Chaplains: Gayl Mills (Greg), Emergency Worker Chaplains. Canberra Hospital, Garran: Chaplain, Harley Lockley, Associate Chaplain, Pauline Dare and members of the chaplaincy team including CPE students; Supervisor of CPE, David Oliphant.

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Council of Churches $59, RSCM Hymnfest (Organ Restoration Fund) $221

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Sunday 22 November 2009

Christ the King (Last Sunday after Pentecost)

Readings: Daniel 7. 9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93 - page 321; Revelation 1.4-8; John 18.33-37

Dear Friends,

A very warm welcome to you as we come to worship at St Philip's to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King and mark the last Sunday of the church's year.

Many will be recovering from the tremendous effort made yesterday for the Twilight Fair. On behalf of the rest of us, a big ?thank you' to Helen Palethorpe and all who did so much to make the Fair such an enjoyable and successful event.

The theme that runs through the readings for today is power?the nature of power and of powerlessness. The reading from Daniel pictures the power of God being given to "one like a human being?, literally ?one like a son of man' using the Hebrew word for a weak man, enosh, rather than the usual word for man, adam. The contrast with the beastly power of human empires in the passage immediately before today's reading, challenges us to think critically about the use and abuse of power in our world. The titles given to God and to Jesus in the reading from Revelation reinforce this understanding of God's power. It belongs to Jesus who loved and suffered and gave to bring us to fullness of life. The reading from John's gospel highlights the confrontation between the world's understanding of power and Jesus' understanding. Pilate thinks he has power, but in fact has little. Jesus who appears utterly powerless, knows what real power is and from where it comes. It is the power that turns crucifixion into resurrection.

Next Saturday, as well as there being the Dinner here in the evening, there will be the Ordination Service in the Cathedral in Goulburn. Robin Moore is to be ordained Deacon, and I know that several people will be going to support her on this very special occasion. The Service begins at 11.00am, and the word is "get there early" if you want to be seated in the Cathedral.

If you are not able to go to Goulburn, you may like to support the Kankinya Nursing Home by going along to the Summer Fair, 10am - 2pm.

Next Sunday we begin a new church year with the First Sunday of Advent. But it will be my final Sunday with you, and so I hope you will be able to worship with us.

Every blessing to you for today, and for the week ahead, Ray

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2. The lock and security door on the Parish Office have been replaced ? the former having been inadequate for some time.

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The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 14 December.

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Robin Moore's Ordination Saturday 28 November, 11am (St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn)

Advent Dinner in the Courtyard & Ray's Farewell / Saturday 28 November, 6.30pm / Please bring a Salad or Dessert to share. Meat & Fruit Punch provided, BYO Wine. Please RSVP on the list in the Foyer.

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Recently some representatives of St Philip's attended an information session run by SEE-Change: Society, Environment, Economy Change. The purpose of the session was to provide information regarding the proposed discount buying of solar (photovoltaic) panels for the generation of electricity to householders and organisations within the ACT.

Faith Communities and congregations were targeted as the thought was that people in these groups had already demonstrated that they were most likely to already have a strong awareness about the plight of the planet and the desire to do something practical to work together on climate change.

SEE-Change's offer is not limited to members of these groups but will be available to as many households and organisations as express a desire to know more. The groups were seen as being conduits to as many like-minded people as possible.

SEE-Change's offer is:

- To form a co-operative group which would have much better negotiating and purchasing power than any individual;

- To research and co-ordinate all the necessary information to 1. ensure the best deal and 2. make easier all the bureaucracy involved with claiming all available rebates, in other words, to do all the ?stuff';

- Open to all members of the Parish and their family and friends. For those members who cannot avail themselves of the offer personally, the suggestion was made that they could contribute towards the cost of a panel or panels for the Church buildings. This would include renters, apartment dwellers, etc;

- Not requiring a decision at this time; an expression of interest is the only thing called for at the present time. All expressions of interest would be co-ordinated by the end of February 2010, when negotiating with potential vendors would begin. It is envisaged that, for those parties who wish to proceed, the final decision would need to be taken about mid-year 2010 with contracts signed before September when the ACT Government has indicated it will be reviewing the current rebate/feed-in tariff;

- To show that there is a possibility of generating earnings in the mid to long term and to highlight the Parish's stand on environmental matters with an offer of a practical suggestion.

What to do:

If you are interested in including your household in the expression of interest for solar (photovoltaic) panels submitted by St Philip's please forwarded your name, number of installations, size of installations and contact details (telephone number and email address) to Mr Fred Anchell at fred1@live.com.au. Please note there is absolutely no obligation at this point. This is an expression of interest only.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Cycle: Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger

Give thanks for those who plant trees to counter the spread of the desert.

Anglican Communion: Wau - (Sudan) The Rt Rev'd Henry Cuir Riak

The Diocesan Cycle: The Anglican Church of Australia: Diocese of Sydney: Archbishop Peter Jensen, Bishops Robert Forsyth, Peter Tasker, Glenn Davies, Ivan Lee, Alan Stewart, Clergy and People

Parishes of St John's, Wagga Wagga: Acting Rector: Karen Kime (Lee), Judy Begent, Leonie White, Norman Fellowes, Jim Waddell, Colin Rush, Daphne May, Ian Forsyth; Wagga Wagga Base Hospital: Leonie White; St Martin's College; The Riverina Anglican College; Juvenile Justice Centre, Wagga Wagga.

Pray for: Workplace chaplains.

Special Prayers this week are asked for those to be ordained on Saturday; especially Robin Moore.

Give thanks for the Twilight Fair and all those who helped.

Pray for Ray and for Rebecca and for the parish as we approach the induction of our new rector.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Joyce Braithwaite, Myrle Bovis.

Give Thanks: for the prayers & continued healing of Catherine

The Departed: Stanley Roy Vincent d.16/11/02, Constance Morton d.25/11/2001

The Saints: Clement of Rome, bishop and martyr (d.c.100); James Noble Aboriginal deacon (d.1941)

A prayer from the Ecumenical Cycle

God, our Father, we bless you for the gift of life that you grant us,

that strength of faith, so fragile and so powerful,

which is nourished by the assurance of your love.

We pray to you, Lord, for the sustenance of life for the people of these five countries,

Mali, Niger, Chad, Burkina Faso and Mauritania.

Stir up the strength and courage of all those who are engaged in lifting these countries out of poverty.

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First Sunday of Advent

8.00am & 10am Eucharist

The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.

Readings: Jeremiah 33.14-16; Psalm 25.1-10 ? page 244; 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13; Luke 21.25-38

10am Music: Together in Song: 265, 276, 266, 273

Psalm response ? see insert

During Communion: "The Word of Life", words & arrangement The Iona Community, Tune: Wild Mountain Thyme (Irish Traditional).

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It is a pleasure also to welcome the Reverend Robin Moore as a Deacon at the 8.00 Eucharist today, and to congratulate her on her ordination

yesterday in St Saviour's Cathedral.

As we come to the season of Advent, we can think of it as taking us back to the beginning of things, back to that time so long ago when men and women of faith yearned for the coming of the Christ. So, Advent anticipates our celebration of how that yearning was satisfied by God's fresh beginnings in the person of Jesus, the Christ. The season also is for us an attempt to capture that spirit of hope even in the midst of apparent hopelessness, a spirit of yearning for that which would be too good to be true ? some new and unique expression of God's purposes of love in our world now.

This year, it is also a time of new beginnings for this parish. In two days time, Rebecca will be inducted as the next Rector of St Philip's, and it will be an occasion of great anticipation and hope, both for her and for every member of the parish. Advent could not be a more appropriate time for this new beginning.

Over the last fifteen months we have been on a considerable journey as a parish community ? from great shock and deep sorrow, through grief and celebration, finding God's grace holding and leading us, to now be on the verge of something new.

I thank you most sincerely for the privilege of being on that journey with you, for the warmth of the welcome you have given me throughout this time, for the friendship and generosity that have been so kindly offered, for the willing inclusion of Erica on every possible occasion, and for the wonderful opportunity to share with you in worship and ministry during this time.

Every blessing to you all for today, for this particular week ahead, and for all your future as a community of faith in this place,

Grace and peace, in Christ, Ray

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Congratulation to Fred Anchell - St Philip's 2009 'Twilight Star' recipient.

FROM MORLEY TO MOZART

Divine Solos and Duets for Sopranos:

Greta Claringbould, Soprano

Gemma Dashwood, Soprano

St John's Anglican Church, Reid

4pm, Sunday 6 December 2009

ENTRY FREE

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ecumenical Cycle: Liberia, Sierra Leone. Pray for: The fullness of human life for all men, women and children of all tribes and ethnicities in Liberia and Sierra Leone.

Anglican Communion: West Texas - (Province VII, USA) The Rt Rev'd Gary Lillibridge; The Rt Rev'd David Mitchell Reed

The Diocesan Cycle: Diocese of Polynesia: Bishop Jabez Bryce

Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia: staff and students

Religious Orders serving within the Anglican Church of Australia: The Order

of Saint Benedict, The Society of the Sacred Mission, The Society of Saint Francis, The Little Brothers of Francis, The Society of the Sacred Advent, The Community of the Holy Name, The Community of Sisters of the Church, The Community of Christ the King, The Sisters of the Incarnation, The Community of Saint Barnabas and Saint Cecilia

Special Ministries: Military Christian Fellowship: Russell Bielenberg (Helen); Order of St Luke: Pastor Ken Perrin (Church of Christ); Religious education in schools and parishes: Schools Ministry Consultant and Convenor of RE Unit of ACT Churches' Council; Education for Ministry Diocesan Coordinator: Michael Richards; Confirmation Preparation: Confirmation candidates, the Catechumenate and Alpha programs

Pray for: Outreach and ministry amongst youth. For those ordained yesterday.

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Sunday 6 December 2009
Second Sunday of Advent

8.00am & 10am Eucharist
Readings: Malachi 3.1-4; Song of Zechariah page 425; Philippians 1.1-11; Luke 3.1-6
10am Music:
Hymns: Together in Song: 271, 272, 278, 275
Introit: Morning Psalm, Sherrell Prebble
For the Psalm: Our God has turned to his people.
Words: Timothy Dudley-smith, Music: David G Wilson
During Communion: Oh, what a beautiful city.
African American spiritual, arr. Edward Boatner
Blessing: An Irish Blessing
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It is a joyous time to beginning a new chapter in my ministry. There is something precious about this time of year as we prepare for the Christmas celebrations and the coming of Jesus Christ. It is also a busy time. There are I think two essential words for Advent - one is “yes’. That’s ‘yes’ to Jesus and all he brings to our world. Within humanity there is a hunger for justice, love and peace. There is an expression of exultant joy waiting to be released once we find that reality. In Jesus we have that fulfilled. The second word is ‘no’. That’s ‘no’ to excess consumption, late nights, rushing from place to place and last minute shopping. It is

also no to buried family resentments and unresolved conflicts. Easier said than done of course but just stopping and taking some deep breaths can bring us back to ourselves and God, the ground of our being. Centreing on God can open us to his bountiful grace and strengthen us for the weeks ahead.

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Service of Lessons and Carols, followed by supper, 7.30pm
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Family Christmas Pageant
Sung Eucharist Thursday 24 December 7pm 11.30pm
Christmas Day; 9am Eucharist (with incense)

Denise's 60th Sunday 27 December, 5m
An invitation to Denise's 60th birthday party, in the Kindergarten (no gifts please).
Drinks and nibbles to start, followed by a buffet dinner. All parishioners are warmly invited to come and join us in a relaxing, fun celebration.
RSVP: Leith Dudfield 0428 492 344 or leith.dudfield@live.com.au by 23 December.

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Father Laurence Freeman, Benedictine monk and Director of The World Community for Christian Meditation is making a (rare) visit to Canberra. He is giving talks today and tomorrow at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall St (Cnr Kings Avenue) Barton. The details are available on a flyer in the Foyer of the church, but in summary are as follows:
Sunday 6 December, 3.30-5.30 pm - Introductory talk and meditation. Cost $10
Sunday 6 December 6 pm - Fr Laurence will speak at the Sunday Dusk service at St Mark's Chapel (adjacent)
Monday 7 December, there is an all day programme, comprising three sessions: from 10-12 a.m., from 1-2 p.m. (workers' lunch hour) and from 2.30-4 pm.
Cost $25 all day, $5 for the 1-2 pm session only.

Father Laurence is a first rate speaker and guide. If you have ever had any interest in contemplative Christian practice, or wondered how meditation might fit in with a Christian spiritual life, don't miss this. Inquiries to Chris Cheah 0428 107 221.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Ecumenical Cycle: Cape Verde, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Senegal
Pray for: Peace, understanding and tolerance between the different religions of these countries, and respect and the freedom to express one's faith.
Anglican Communion: Western Mexico - The Rt Rev'd Lino Rodriguez Amaero
The Diocesan Cycle: Diocese of Bendigo: Bishop Andrew Curnow, Clergy and People
Canberra Grammar School; Canberra Girls' Grammar School;
Anglican News: Lew Hitchick and the production team
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The Saints: Nicholas of Myra, bishop; Ambrose of Milan; bishop & teacher (d.397); Richard Baxter, pastor and spiritual writer (d.1691);

Almighty Father, lover of souls, who chose your servant Nicholas to be a bishop in the Church, that he might give freely out of the treasurers of your grace: make us mindful of the needs of others and, as we have received, so teach us also to give; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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Sunday 13 December 2009
Third Sunday of Advent

Readings: Zephaniah 3.14-0
Song of Isaiah
Philippians 4.4-7
Luke 3.7-18

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
‘The LORD, your God, is in your midst: he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.’ (Zephaniah 3:17)

‘So, with many other exhortations [John the Baptist] proclaimed the good news to the people.’ (Luke 3:18)
Throughout Advent we hear from a selection of Old and New Testament prophets. Today it is Zephaniah and John the Baptist. These two men were separated by 700 years of history, yet the messages they proclaimed share more than a few commonalities. Zephaniah decried the faithlessness of the southern kingdom of Judah, and prophesied doom for Jerusalem. John the Baptist — no stranger to controversy — described those who came to him for baptism as a bunch of poisonous snakes. Both prophets warned of impending judgment and called for repentance. But both also celebrated the One who renews, recreates, restores and redeems. God rejoices in our deliverance. The good news that John proclaimed, and on which we focus in this season of the church year, calls us to look forward, to the promise and possibilities of the present and future.

As world leaders meet in Copenhagen to find a way forward through the political and moral challenge that is climate change there is reason to be deeply worried about the ‘impending judgment’ if we humans do not act in the best interests of all. Like the prophets and people of faith of old we look to Christ, the good news of all creation. In Christ we find a new beginning. May the light of Christ guide those in power. Amen

Blessings, Rebecca

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If you would like me to hand colour your cookbook as a special gift for some-one please let me know.
No extra cost. Kerry-Anne Cousins
WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

Parish Council, December Meeting Thursday December 17, 7.30pm

Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday 20 December

Service of Lessons and Carols, followed by supper 7.30pm

Please bring a plate of Christmas food to share, drinks by donation.

Christmas Eve
Thursday 24 December

Family Christmas Pageant
7pm

Sung Eucharist 11.30pm

Christmas Day
Friday 25 December
Eucharist (with incense) 9am
Denise's 60th Sunday 27 December, 5pm

An invitation to Denise's 60th birthday party, in the Kindergarten (no gifts please). Drinks and nibbles to start, followed by a buffet dinner. All parishioners are warmly invited to come and join us in a relaxing, fun celebration.

RSVP: Leith Dudfield 0428 492 344 or leith.dudfield@live.com.au by 23 December.
Holy Communion - will not be held Wednesday 30 December, 10am

New Year's Eve Party @ the Mann's Thursday 31 December, from 8pm
It's on again, come join us for a cocktail or two! Please bring a plate of finger food to share.
48 Lachlan St Macquarie.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Ecumenical Cycle: Benin, CÙte d'Ivoire, Togo.

Give thanks for: Those who search for ways to provide clean water. Coffee and cacao, palm groves and coconut, yams and peanuts.
Pray for: Children who are trafficked for cheap labour or otherwise exploited.

Anglican Communion: Willochra - (South Australia, Australia) The Rt Rev'd Gary Weatherill [and Parish of Whyalla, Cath Holt]
The Diocesan Cycle: Ministry with Aboriginal People of Australia: Bishop James Leftwich, Aboriginal Clergy and People.
Combined Ministry District of St Paul's, Manuka, St David's Red Hill and St Luke's Deakin: Brian Douglas, Michael Armstrong, Bishop Neville Chynoweth, Peter Pocock, John Gibson.
St David's Close Self Care Units, Red Hill: Warden David & Toni Clark; Aged Care Chaplaincy: Jill Elliot; John James Memorial Hospital: Clem Watts
Pray for: Peace in the world.
Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Joyce Braithwaite, Myrle Bovis.
Those who mourn: Conrad and Shelby Canterford and family.
The Departed: Peter David Blaseotto (d.10/12/03), Dorothy Moore (d.12/12/84), Joseph Horace Heaton 13/12/88
The Saints: John of the Cross, mystic and teacher (d.1591);

THIS WEEK
Wednesday 10am: Holy Communion
Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN
Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN
NEXT SUNDAY
8am & 10am Eucharist
Readings: Micah 5.2-5 Song of Mary Hebrews 10.5-10 Luke 1.39-45
Rosters: Cleaning: Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans
Flowers: The Flower Team
8am: Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn
Reader: Eloise Wright
10am: Sidespeople: Peter Andersson & Grace Barnes
Bible Readers: 1st Ann Munro, 2nd Ashton Robinson
Chalice Servers: Grace B, James Kim & Linda Anchell
Morning Tea: James K & Roger Sharp
Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish $2090 per week, excludes rental income.
Offerings received 2 & 6 December $700 + EFT $508 = $1208.
Shortfall $882

Induction Service (for St Mark's) $433.15 Trading Table $12.00
Items for the Pewsheet and names for the Prayer list (add or remove), please forward to Leighton by Thursday 12 noon. leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au or 61617133
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Hon. Deacons: Rev'd Linda Anchell, Rev'd Robin Moore (St Philip's Care)
Hon. Priests: Rev'd. Jeannette McHugh.
Wardens: Ruth McGorman-Mann, Denise Manley J.P. & Roger Sharp