### This coming week @ St Philip's

10am

Monday St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre

- including Lunch **Holy Communion** 

Friday 10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion

7 – 8.30pm **St Pip's Youth Group** 

Saturday 10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion

Autumn/Winter collection launch

Light refreshments provided

Saturday 10am Holy Communion @ Kankinya

Saturday 11am Wedding of Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon and

Mrs Jeanette Tunks at St Mary in the Valley Anglican Church, Cnr Weber & Were Sts, Calwell, followed by morning

tea. All welcome!

**Sunday** 8am Holy Communion **Sunday** 10am Holy Communion

### Prayer Points

**Thursday** 

For those in need: Grace Barnes; Betty Heaton; Roberta; Margaret

Woodbridge, the family of our dear friend Ethel McInnes.

Those we remember: John Dimmick (22/3/71), Patrick Bannerman (23/3/94), Ethel McInnes (24/3/16), Allan Pound (28/3/93), David Linaker (29/3/96), Suzanne Lewis (2/4/99).

## For Next Sunday -Second Sunday of Easter

8am Holy Communion

Sidesperson Reader & Readings

John Girdlestone John Girdlestone Acts 5.27-32; Revelation 1.4-8

**Liturgical Assistant** 

Elizabeth Allinson

#### 10am Holy Communion

Flowers Welcomer
Kerry-Anne Cousins Denise Manley

Presiding & Preaching Liturgical Assistant

Rev'd Jeannette McHugh Sarah Gowty
Organist Sidespeople

Colin Forbes Sally Adams & Roger Sharp

Chalice Readers & Readings

Hardy Palethorpe & Volunteer Jack Adams: Acts 5.27-32

Fred Anchell: Revelation 1.4-8

Morning tea: Rebecca Palethorpe & family



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Sunday 27 March 2016

Easter Day

10am Musíc

Hymns: 362, 381, 387 & 380

Sentence

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Luke 24.34: Psalm 118.24

## Prayer of the day

God of glory, fill your Church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection, that, in the midst of this sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, raised to new life with Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Today's Readings

Acts 10.41-43; 1 Corinthians 15.19-36; Luke 24.1-12

# Today's Rosters

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins & Volunteers Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

7am Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn;

Exultet: Rev'd Linda Anchell; Bible Reader: Shane Woodburn

**10am** Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: Kerry-Anne Cousins & Fred Anchell; Crucifer: Leighton Mann; Liturgical assistant: Linda Anchell; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible readers: David French (OT), Pat Forbes (NT); Chalices: Denise Manley & Doreen Odom; Morning Tea: Jan Gulliver & Manjuni Gregory

### Psalm 118 vv 1-2, 14-24

1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim:

that his mercy endures for ever.

14 The Lord is my strength and my song: and has become my salvation.

15 The sounds of joy and deliverance: are in the tents of the righteous.

16 The right hand of the Lord does mighty things: the right hand of the Lord raises up.

17 I shall not die but live:

and proclaim the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord has disciplined me hard:

but he has not given me over to death.

19 Open me the gates of righteousness: and I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord:

the righteous shall enter it.

21 I will praise you, for you answered me: and have become my salvation.

22 The stone that the builders rejected: has become the head of the corner.

23 This is the Lord's doing:

and it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day that the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

### From the Locum Tenens Rector

#### Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24

The psalm offers an important perspective from which to face the realities of life: a thankful recognition of God's redemption in the past as a basis for trust in God's future. The psalm opens with the declaration of God's steadfast love, his unerring commitment to his covenant with the people (1-4). This is the foundation of the gospel and living.

Over the centuries Christians have heard Jesus 'speaking' in verses 5-18, which encompasses part of our reading (14-18). What they were discerning was that the best framework for grasping the significance of God's saving action in the cross and resurrection of Jesus was God's work in the exodus and exile to which this psalm responds. God was active in the exodus; God was active in the exile and restoration and the same God was active in Jesus.

The passage reflects the experience that the deeds of human beings often bring death in their wake and that is the context for our reading. His enemies wish him death and not life.

On the other hand God brings life and for that the psalmist is intent on worshipping God with thanksgiving as his great theme. His life is safe in God's hand, God's salvation is life.

For the Christian reader Easter day is the day the Lord has made (24) even if Jesus has been rejected. In God's eyes Jesus' resurrection makes him the stone that holds the temple together. The Lord's Day is the celebration that God's unstoppable life continues to flow to all people. Easter day is the day when we recognise the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Worship, praise, and personal commitment the living God are the only ways to obey God.

Little wonder that the portion of the psalm we use today is one that has become part of the worship and theology of the Christian community.

Question: What part does thanksgiving play in your spiritual life? Are you a life giver or a life taker? Martin Luther regarded this psalm as "My own beloved psalm." Can you understand why that might be?

Colin

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## St Philip's Calendar http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php

Sunday 10 April 12–2. 30pm Sunday Home Group – Lamerton Centre

Wednesday 13 April 7pm Parish Council Meeting Friday 29 April 5 - 7pm St Philip's Happy Hour

Theme: Aussie / ANZAC day. Everyone welcome

Drinks for sale. If you are able, please bring some finger food to share

Sunday 1 May St Philip's Day

#### From the Rector

The Rector wishes to announce that Denise Manley has agreed to be appointed as Rector's Warden for 2016.