

Welcome to St Philip's

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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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.

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.

Sunday 15th July 2007 **SEVENTH SUNDAY of PENTECOST**



Jesus asked "Which of these three was a neighbour?"

8am Eucharist

10am Sung Eucharist

The service begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book

Readings:

- Amos 7.7-17
- Psalm 82
- Colossians 1:1-14
- Luke 10:25-37

10am Hymns: [Together in Song](#) 121, 657 (tune 497), 544, 473
Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

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

Greetings to all!

After last Sunday's sung Eucharist at 10am I went back into the church and discovered that the smell of the incense still lingered! How wonderful! I know many people still question the use of incense but I have come to enjoy its use in worship and the wonderful lingering presence of our offering to God!

Not sure if I should be disappointed at the small number at the meeting on Monday night or pleased that you all trust the Parish Council well enough to leave the planning to them! After considerable weighing up of the options we decided to proceed with a revised version of the disabled toilet and refurbishment of the toilets generally. The plan places the disabled toilet into the present toilet area and gives separate access to the two cubicles. We will use the funds raised by Pandora's at O'Connor but will also seek the assistance of a government grant for this project. The meeting also generally agreed to provide a better home for Pandora's and to investigate further the additional space needed for a meeting room and kitchen for parish needs.

The Good Samaritan story from today's gospel is of course so very well known but we miss the point if we do not understand how despised were the Samaritans in Jewish society in Jesus' day. The Samaritan was the "surprise hero"! If Jesus was telling this story today in Australia who might he cast in this role? Would it be a radical young Muslim, an Aboriginal person, a disabled person or a drug addict? It is often too easy to generalize about people and to miss the good in them because of our own prejudice! Jesus finds goodness in the rejected and outcast and uses them as the "surprise heroes" in his stories!

Rob Lamerton.

TODAY'S SERVICES:

Presiding & Preaching: The Rev'd Robert Lamerton

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

8am:

Lay Minister: Stephen Billett
Sidespersons: Tim Woodburn
Reader: Vanessa Tatham

10am:

Lay Minister: Brian McKinlay
Sidespersons: Peter Andersson & Grace Barnes
Children's Ministry: School Holidays
Readers: 1st Brian McKinlay, 2nd Richard Wade
Morning Tea: James Kim & Roger Sharp

Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish

\$1690 (excluding rental income.)

Offerings received 8th July: \$816.50 + EFT \$400 = \$1216.50

Shortfall of \$473.50

Morning Tea \$11.25 Toungoo retiring offering \$42.50

Kindergarten Rent \$2566.66

NOTICES

[ABM talk](#) on The Solomons [see leaflet ([below](#))] 4th August

Liturgy Meeting - 11.30am today!!

Sunday Home Group TODAY at Beryl Blaseotto's home, 28 Longstaff Street, Lyneham. 3.00-5.00pm. Please phone 6247 7230 or Ann Munro on 6249 8397 for queries or if you'd like a lift. ALL welcome.

CAMRA history wanted! In CAMRA's 10th anniversary year we are gathering programs or photographs (prints, negatives or digital) from past performances Brian McKinlay would like them to help build a comprehensive website of CAMRA's performances and achievements. Email: [brian AT nottoomuch.com](mailto:brian@nottoomuch.com) or 'phone 61616352.

July Retiring Offering

St Philip's is committed to giving to the Toungoo Diocesan Partnership with ABM! Throughout July we have the opportunity to give to our parish objective for this important venture in Myanmar. The funds provide for a clean water project, HIV/AIDS education and health care and other medical needs.

The Beginning Experience

The Beginning Experience is a weekend program for those who have experienced the loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce.

The next BE weekend is from 10th -12th August. See the notice board for details!

CHRISTIAN BOOKWORLD - BELCONNEN

Lifesource bookshop still operating under the name Christian Bookworld — Belconnen.

LOOKING AHEAD — DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2, 4, 9 & 11 August 7.30pm CAMRA's Marriage of Figaro

Saturday 10 November 3pm-7pm St Philip's community fair

Celebrating 50 years in the O'Connor community

NOW OPEN — Community Fair Art Competition

"The world we live in", frames & canvases available in the foyer

Now seeking Team leaders for the Fair!

See the notice board for latest news!

WE PRAY FOR:

The World: The development of strong and stable government in Iraq and for peace. For justice in the battle against extremism in Pakistan. The people of France celebrating the beginnings of their republic.

In Australia: For wisdom and justice as authorities deal with terrorism suspects and for the willingness to confront issues of Health, Housing, Education and Environment.

The Church: Diocese of Melbourne: Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Stephen Hale, Phillip Huggins, Paul White, John Wilson, Clergy and People. St Alban the Martyr, Woden: Rebecca Newland (David Grice). Australian Federal Police Chaplains: Gayl Mills (Greg) and Emergency Worker Chaplains. Canberra Hospital, Garran: 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.

The Canberra Girls Grammar School in this time of change and challenge.

Those in need of healing: Michael Fitzgerald Clarke, Roger Sutcliffe (open heart surgery), Megan Brocklehurst, Betty Lamerton, Hannah Newbold, Dot Huckstepp, Sadie Crocker (Jeannette McHugh's mother), Margaret and Claude Woodbridge, Stewart Barrett, Erhard Timmel, Toni, Michael Cockayne, Roy Ayrton, Tony Kildea, Jill Scott, Yoko and Jutaro Murase, Ian Wright, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt, John Cunliffe, Moya, Joyce Braithwaite, Peter Andersson, June Axelsen, Stephen Lollback. Pray for John Cunliffe and family at the death of Simon Cunliffe.

On the web: [Anglican Cycle of Prayer](#) and the [Diocesan Cycle of Prayer](#)

Ministry teams at St Philip's

Priest: Rev'd Rob Lamerton

Wardens: Hardy Palethorpe, Roger Sharp & Doreen Odom

Liturgy: Rob Lamerton

Buildings and Maintenance: Roger Sharp

Social: Hardy Palethorpe & Ann Munro

Secretary: Fiona Dyer

Treasurer: Shane Woodburn

Pastoral Care: Doreen Odom

Liturgy: Rob Lamerton

Councillor: Fred Anchell

WEEKLY EVENTS

- **Sunday** 3pm-5pm Home Group
@ Beryl Blasseotto's
- **Monday to Thursday** 8.30am Morning
Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Kankinya
Nursing Home — Holy Communion
5.30pm Meditation
7pm Home Group @
Brian and James' phone 6161 6352
- **Wednesday** 10am Holy
Communion
- **Friday** RECTOR'S DAY OFF
10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Joan
Kearidge & Meg Colwell
- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN**
Fiona Dyer & Betty Jennings

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings:

- Amos 8:1-12
- Psalm 52
- Colossians 1:15-29
- Luke 10:38-42

Rosters:

Cleaning: Shane & Tim Woodburn

Flowers: Val Reeves

8am:

Sidespersons: volunteer

Reader: Shane Woodburn

10am:

Sidespeople: Helen Palethorpe, James Kim & Brian
McKinlay

Readers: 1st Fred Anchell, 2nd Linda Anchell

Children's Ministry: School Holidays

Morning Tea: Ann Munro & Margaret Woodbridge

Pandora's income from 6th and 7th July \$219

reserved for future development of the parish and Pandora's

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The Revd Richard Carter
representing
ABM and Anglicord
will speak on

"The Church and Society in the Solomon Islands"

at Holy Cross Anglican Church Hackett.
5 - 7pm Saturday 4th August

Come and share in fellowship.
A light supper will be served.

Richard Carter

English Priest Richard Carter lived and worked in the Solomon Islands for 17 years, first as a teacher and then with the Melanesian Brotherhood - an Anglican community who commit to live a simple life of prayer, poverty, peace-making and celibacy.

When civil conflict broke out across the Solomon Islands in the 1990s, the legal system, police force and economy collapsed. But the Melanesian brothers became mediators and relief workers — trusted by people on all sides of the conflict.

So in 2005, people throughout the world were shocked to hear the news that seven Melanesian Brothers had been brutally murdered.

For three months, Richard and the community had waited, prayed and hoped that the men had been taken hostage and would one day be released. But the terrible truth is that the men were murdered at the very start of their peace mission.

Richard has written a book that draws from his journal and letters from that time, titled *Search of the Lost: the death and life of seven peacemakers of the Melanesian Brotherhood*.

Richard asks, what happened to these brave, talented men who were prepared to risk their lives to help others? He also writes about how he faced such conflict and tragedy, and how he made sense of that through his Christian faith.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, says "this wonderful book brings to life .. the struggle to make sense of the sacrifice and trauma of these last year, the joy of their witness.

Everyday life can discourage the impulse to care for your neighbour. Walking away rather than helping has become a more and more acceptable option.

With such cultural aversion to self-sacrifice, can we see any value in laying down one's life for one's friends?

Now Richard works at St Martin-in-the-Field Anglican church in London and works with homeless people, but has a great love for the people of the Solomon Islands.

