

This coming week @ St Philip's

Monday	St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre - including Lunch
Tue – Fri	8am Morning Prayer
Tue – Fri	5.30pm Evening Prayer
Thursday	10am Holy Communion
Thursday	11am & 7pm Lenten Study
Friday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion
Saturday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion
Saturday	10.30am Holy Communion @ Kankinya

Prayer Points

For those in need: Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.

Those we remember: Betty Heaton (24/3/17); Alan Pound (28/3/93); David Linaker (29/3/96); Suzanne Lewis (2/4/99); Rose Anchell (6/4/2010); Beryl Day (8/4/2001); Kiran Sen (8/4/90).

For Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Lent (Palm Sunday)

8am	Holy Communion
Sidesperson Vicky Luker	Reader & Readings Rhonda Evans: Isaiah 50.4-9a Philippians 2.5-11
Liturgical Assistant	Elizabeth Allinson
10am	Holy Communion
Flowers No flowers during Lent	Welcomer Davidson Family
Presiding & Preaching	Liturgical Assistant Linda Anchell
Rev'd Martin Johnson	Leighton Mann
Crucifer	Sidespeople Alison & Alistair Davidson
Organist Colin Forbes	Readers & Readings Peter Wilson: Isaiah 50.4-9a Brian McKinlay: Philippians 2.5-11
Chalice Doreen Odom & Hardy Palethorpe	Doreen Odom & Family
Morning tea:	



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Sunday 2 April 2017

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Psalm Cantor: Brian McKinlay

10am Music

Hymns: 398, 682, 259 & 210

Sentence

'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord; 'whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.'

John 11.25-26

Prayer of the day

Life-giving God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death: breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Ezekiel 37.1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8.6-11; John 11.1-45

Today's Rosters

Flowers: No flowers during Lent

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson

Sidesperson: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: John Girdlestone

10am Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Sally Adams & Roger Sharp; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Ann Munro (OT), Ashton Robinson (NT); Chalices: Tim Gulliver & James Kim; Morning

Tea: Rebecca Palethorpe & Family.

Psalm 130



Response: Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord.

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:
Lord, hear my voice;
- 2 O let your ears consider well:
the voice of my supplication. **R**
- 3 If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:
who then, O Lord, could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you:
so that you shall be feared. **R**
- 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him:
and in his word is my hope.
- 6 My soul looks for the Lord:
more than watchmen for the morning, more, I say, than watchmen for
the morning. **R**
- 7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:
and with him is ample redemption.
- 8 He will redeem Israel: from the multitude of their sins. **R**
Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning
is now and shall be, world without end. Amen.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

'I am the resurrection and the life,' famous words spoken by Jesus at the death of his friend Lazarus. They were to remind Martha that her brother was not resurrected but was to return to life 'so that God may be given glory.' It was to demonstrate that the 'new life' of faith, being 'born again', 'seeing anew' sharing in the waters of eternal life is often one of difficulty, crisis, challenge as well as joy. Lazarus, after all, was pursued by the authorities following this event – they sought to kill him along with Jesus. He has been described as the most unfortunate man ever because he died twice!

Lazarus has been a familiar character in the political landscape of this country. In 1989 John Howard lost the liberal leadership to Andrew Peacock and when asked whether he could become Liberal leader again, Howard likened it to 'Lazarus with a triple bypass!' He went on of course to become Liberal leader and titled his autobiography 'Lazarus rising.' Politics however by its very nature is about rise and fall and as we know Howard was to lead the Liberal party to defeat and was famously to lose his own seat. Rise and fall; much like the little deaths and renewals that are the marks of the life of faith. Lazarus' raising was of this order.

Jesus words 'I am the resurrection and the life' remind us that we 'share' in his resurrection. It is a shared experience, something that the entire created order groans and longs for. We share in the ups and downs as we share in Christ's sufferings so that we might share in his resurrection, we are after all his body, and where the head has gone so the body must follow.

As I write plans are well advanced to celebrate Betty Heaton's funeral. She was a friend to many of you and a long time parishioner of St Philip's, one of the originals. We assure her family of our prayers at this time.
Blessings, **Martin**

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

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| Friday 7 Apr, 7 – 8.30pm | St Philip's Youth Group |
| Saturday 8 Apr, 9 – 11am | Cleaning Bee, church & courtyard |
| Sunday 9 Apr, | Passion/Palm Sunday |
| Sunday 9 Apr, 12.30-3pm | Home Group, Cancelled for April |
| Wednesday 12 Apr, 7pm | Parish Council Meeting |
| Thursday 13 Apr to | |
| Sunday 16 Apr | Various Easter Services |

>>>>> [See insert for details of all Easter Services](#) <<<<<

Easter Celebration Breakfast

Please place your name next to the items on the list in the foyer that you are able to contribute to the breakfast. Contributions can be drop off on Saturday (Easter Eve) and left in the Foyer or Easter Day by 8am.

Please see Leighton for any further details. 0418 686 033

Sunday 23 Apr, 3-4pm	Parish Get-together Lake Cruise on the MV Southern Cross. All details: http://www.csc.com.au/ourboat . Coordinator: Denise Manley 0414 309 469. No bookings necessary, turn up by 2:45 and pay at the boat.
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| Friday 28 Apr, 7-8.30pm | St Philip's Youth Group |
| Friday 28 Apr, 5 – 7pm | Happy Hour All Things British! |