

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: Chris Hudlass; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.

Those we remember: Rose Anchell (6/4/10); Beryl Day (8/4/01); Kiran Sen (8/4/90); Ken Johnson (14/4/01).

For Next Sunday – Easter Day

7am	Holy Communion
Sidesperson	Reader & Readings David French: Romans 6.3-11
Liturgical Assistant	Elizabeth Allinson
10am	Holy Communion
Flowers	Welcomer Erika Langman
The flower roster people	
Presiding & Preaching	Liturgical Assistant Brian McKinlay
Rev'd Martin Johnson	
Organist	Sidespeople Peter Andersson & Kerry-Anne Cousins
Colin Forbes	
Chalice	Readers & Readings Fred Anchell: Acts 10.34-43
Denise Manley & Volunteer	tbc: Colossians 3.1-4
Morning tea:	Jan Gulliver & Helen Palethorpe



St Philip's *Come & See*

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Sunday 9 April 2017

Sixth Sunday in Lent

Psalm Cantor: Linda Anchell

10am Music

Hymns: 244 & 341

Sentence

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2.10-11

Prayer of the day

Everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son to take our nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross: in your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 31; Philippians 2.5-11; Matthew 26.14-27.66

Today's Rosters

Flowers: No flowers during Lent

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson

Sidesperson: Vicki Luker; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: Rhonda Evans

10am Welcomer: Davidson Family; Sidespeople: Alison & Alistair Davidson; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Jeannette McHugh; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Peter Wilson

Pewsheets deadline: Thursday 12noon. Please forward notices and prayer points to pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au or 0414 309 469

(OT), Brian McKinlay (NT); Chalices: Denise Manley & Doreen Odom;
Morning Tea: Doreen Odom & Family.

Psalm 31



Response: I trust in you, O Lord, for you are my God.

- 9 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:
my eye wastes away for grief, my throat also and my inward parts.
- 10 For my life wears out in sorrow, and my years with sighing:
my strength fails me in my affliction, and my bones are consumed. **R**
- 11 I am become the scorn of all my enemies:
and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.
- 12 I am a thing of horror to my friends: **R**
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.
- 13 I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:
I have become like a broken vessel.
- 14 For I hear the whispering of many:
and fear is on every side; **R**
- 15 While they plot together against me:
and scheme to take away my life.
- 16 But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:
I have said `You are my God.' **R**
- 17 All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies and from my persecutors.
- 18 Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake. **R**
- Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning
is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

In years gone by the fifth Sunday of Lent (last Sunday) was Passion Sunday and this Sunday was Palm Sunday. Our current lectionary asks us to bring these two Sundays together so that we experience liturgically, what I call the two processions. The procession into Jerusalem when the crowds yelled 'Hosanna' and the procession to Golgotha, when the crowds yelled 'crucify him!' If our Lenten journey has been one of introspection, reflection, prayer we have perhaps found times when we are involved in both these crowds. Such is life! Yes it is difficult, tough; GK Chesterton put it well: Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and not tried.

Today and into this week we live that emotional roller coaster, we will come into church this morning celebrating and leave desolate, it is the story of the week. We are called more than ever to enter into these liturgical events and find in them our deepest selves.

We will gather on Thursday eve and celebrate the Eucharist as the disciples at the Last Supper. We will experience the profundity of the foot washing a deeply humbling, dare I say humiliating re-enactment and then we will be offered the opportunity to stay awake one short hour in Gethsemane. Friday we will experience the crucified Jesus who even from the cross leads us – deeply penitential. And then on Saturday eve we will gather around a candle and recall the story of our salvation as new life flickers into being. That new life will burst into light on Easter morning as we continue our celebration, the Gloria will ring out and the first Eucharist will be celebrated. We will then breakfast together before the solemnity of the Sung Easter Eucharist.

Austin Farrer wrote the shortest 'Gospel' ever, it applies to us and our lives of faith:

God gives you everything

Give everything to God

You can't

But Christ will make you able because he has risen from the dead.

A very Holy Week to you all, I look forward to marking these days with you for the first time.

Blessings, **Martin**

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

- Sunday** 9 Apr, 12.30-3pm **Home Group, Cancelled for April**
- Wednesday** 12 Apr, 7pm **Parish Council Meeting**
- Thursday** 13 Apr, 7pm **Maundy Thursday**
- Friday** 14 Apr, 9am **Children's Stations of the Cross**
- Friday** 14 Apr, 12 – 3pm **Good Friday Service**
- Saturday** 15 Apr, 7pm **Easter Eve**
- Sunday** 16 Apr, 7am & 10am **Easter Day**

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 dropped off on Saturday (Easter Eve) in the Foyer on 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.**

- Friday** 28 Apr, 7-8.30pm **St Philip's Youth Group**
- Friday** 28 Apr, 5 – 7pm **Happy Hour *All Things British!***