

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
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: Clifton Baker; Linda Anchell; Sam Mahony; Chris Hudlass; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.
Those we remember: Marie Lewis (7/6/01); Gordon Arthur (9/6/92); Rosemary Haseler (11/6/97); Trish Young (13/6/01); Mira Barratt (18/6/09); the family of John Carnahan (Margaret & Russell McCaskie & family).

For Next Sunday - Thanksgiving for the Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)

8am Holy Communion

Sidesperson

Volunteer

Reader & Readings

Volunteer: Exodus 24.3-8;

1 Corinthians 10.14-21

Liturgical Assistant

Elizabeth Allinson

10am Holy Communion

Flowers

The Flower Team

Presiding & Preaching

Rev'd Martin Johnson

Organist

Colin Forbes

Chalice

Tim Gulliver & Denise Manley

Welcomer

Erika Langman

Liturgical Assistant

Brian McKinlay

Sidespeople

Peter Andersson & Kerry-Anne Cousins

Readers & Readings

Volunteer: Exodus 24.3-8

Denise Manley: 1 Corinthians 10.14-21

Jan Gulliver & Anne Mahony

Morning tea:



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Sunday 11 June 2017

Trinity Sunday

10am Music:

Hymns: 132, 101, 501 & 142

Communion: Le Coucou by Louis-Claude Daquin

Recession: Take Five by Paul Desmond

both played by Jack Adams

Sentence

Proclaim the Name: 'The Lord, the Lord, a God who is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.'

Exodus 34.6

Prayer of the day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, for you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Exodus 34.1-8; Song of the Three 29-34; 2 Corinthians 13.11-13;
Matthew 28.16-20

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Vicki Luker;
Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: Rhonda Evans.

10am Welcomer: Davidson Family; Sidespeople: Fred Anchell & Brian McKinlay; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Peter Wilson (OT), Pat Forbes (NT); Chalice: Doreen Odom & James Kim; Morning Tea: Doreen Odom & Family.

Canticle: The Song of the Three 29-34

Blessed are you, the God of our forebears:
 worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.
 Blessed is your holy and glorious name:
 worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.
 Blessed are you, glorious in your holy temple:
 worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.
 Blessed are you who behold the depths:
 worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.
 Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom:
 worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.
 Blessed are you in the heights of heaven:
 worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

"The Trinity is a matter of five notions or properties, four relations, three persons, two processions, one substance or nature, and no understanding!!" It is easier to sing about than to explain! But...it is the foundation upon which our faith is constructed, if someone asks us to 'explain' God the Trinity should be the first thing on our lips, but more often than not it isn't because it is all too difficult.

We here at St Philip's use the creeds of the church and our worship is very Trinitarian in shape: Look carefully at the prayer book you will find that there are many threefold prayers and our collects are prayed to God, in Christ through the Spirit. But there are of course issues that we need to be mindful of. We live in a very different world to those of the 4th Century who framed our creeds, but that doesn't mean that we reject this most important Christian concept. I'd like to offer two ideas that may help – acknowledging that this is a difficult philosophical and theological idea.

Many would claim that the idea of God as Father and Son is difficult because 50% of us cannot be fathers or sons. (spirit is easier!) And after all are we not all made in God's image? This is true; in using this language we are of course following Jesus who clearly used these terms. However it is really important to remember that Jesus dares to call God Abba, an address of astounding intimacy. He smashes the contemporary stereotypes of fatherhood in his culture. The Father in the story of the Prodigal Son is an important figure in this regard. Paul Ricoeur the French philosopher wrote: 'calling God Father is a prophetic act

which does not look back to a great ancestor but forward in the direction of a new intimacy.'

So we use the term Father, Son and Holy Spirit, which is consistent with our biblical faith. But we must recognise the axiom 'God is what God does,' this too is very important. We here at St Philip's also address God as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier. You will hear both of these ascriptions as we worship and celebrate God in our Christian tradition.

We might be tempted to consider all this as idle philosophical speculation. But our doctrine of God has immense practical application. It is the bedrock of our understanding of relationship and reconciliation, it is something we must hold fast to. Today as much as any other time in our history.

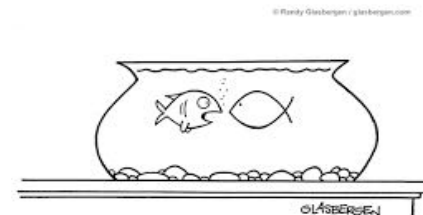
Clover leaf might have been easier!! Water, ice and steam, anybody?!!
 Blessings,
Martin

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

Today	11 June, 12.30pm	Home Group - Lamerton Centre
We'day	14 June, 7-9pm	Parish Council - Lamerton Centre
Sunday	18 June,	Mission Project: ABM Education Project in Myanmar
Friday	23 June, 7-8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group - Lyneham High
	School drama production.	Contact Rebecca Palethorpe for more info.
Friday	30 June, 5 - 7pm	Happy Hour - Aussie Trivia - Lamerton Centre
	Centre	
Sunday 9	12 - 2.30pm	Sunday Home Group - Lamerton Centre
Wednesday 12	7pm	Parish Council - Lamerton Centre
Friday 21	7pm - 8.30pm	St Pip's Youth Group - Lamerton Centre

Saturday 22 10am - 1pm **Pandora's presents "Christmas in July"**
 Add some sparkle to your winter and join us for festive-themed refreshments while you browse our special fashion treats in the warm and friendly setting of Pandora's. All welcome!

Friday 28 5pm - 7pm **Happy Hour - Christmas in July** - Lamerton Centre



"Can't we talk about something besides religion for a change?"