

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	9am Feast of the Annunciation , Eucharist
Saturday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion
Saturday	10.30am Holy Communion @ Kankinya
Saturday	2pm Baptism – Arlo Thomas Matthews

Prayer Points

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

Those we remember: John Cousins (14/3/94); Mary MacDonnell (14/3/99); Jean Parke (17/3/87); Marj Wright (19/3/02); Noel Barratt (20/3/99); John Dimmick (22/3/71); Patrick Bannerman (23/3/94); Ethel McInnes (24/3/16).

For Next Sunday – Fourth Sunday in Lent

8am	Holy Communion
Sidesperson	Reader & Readings Volunteer: 1 Samuel 16.1-13 Ephesians 5.8-14
Liturgical Assistant	Elizabeth Allinson
10am	Holy Communion
Flowers	Welcomer Helen Palethorpe
No flowers during Lent	
Presiding & Preaching	Liturgical Assistant Elizabeth Allinson
Rev'd Martin Johnson	
Organist	Sidespeople Louise & Matt McKay
Colin Forbes	
Chalice	Readers & Readings Louise McKay: 1 Samuel 16.1-13 Brian McKinlay: Ephesians 5.8-14
Hardy Palethorpe & Volunteer	
Morning tea:	Helen Palethorpe & Geetha Sekhon



St Philip's Come & See

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Third Sunday in Lent

Introit: Here I Stand – Pat & Denise

Communion: Let Your Restless Hearts Be Still – Denise

Blessing: Be Still and Know – Denise

All from Iona Community

10am Music

Hymns: 446; 585; 335 & 154

Sentence

'The water that I will give,' says the Lord, 'will become in you a spring of water welling up to eternal life.'

John 4.14

Prayer of the day

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

Exodus 17.1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5.1-11; John 4.5-42

Today's Rosters

Flowers: No flowers during Lent

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson

Sidesperson: Volunteer; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: David French

10am Welcomer: Erika Langman; Sidespeople: Peter Andersson & Kerry-Anne Cousins; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Brian McKinlay; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Gail Langendorf (OT), Denise Manley (NT); Chalice: Tim Gulliver & Volunteer; Morning Tea: Jan Gulliver & Volunteer.

Psalm 95



Response: O come let us worship and bow down and kneel before our Maker.

- 1 O come, let us sing out to the Lord:
let us shout in triumph to the rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his face with thanksgiving:
and cry out to him joyfully in psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God:
and a great king above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth:
and the peaks of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his and he made it:
his hands moulded dry land. **R**
- 6 Come, let us worship and bow down:
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
- 7 For he is the Lord our God:
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. **R**
- 8 Today if only you would hear his voice- `Do not harden your hearts as at Meribah:
as on that day at Massah in the wilderness;
- 9 `When your forebears tested me:
put me to proof, though they had seen my works.
- 10 `Forty years long I loathed that generation and said:
"It is a people who err in their hearts, for they do not know my ways";
- 11 `Of whom I swore in my wrath:
"They shall not enter my rest." **R**

From the Rector

Dear Friends,
As I mentioned last week John's Gospel offers us some wonderful stories and characters to consider and reflect upon. Today we meet the Samaritan woman at the well, an extraordinary encounter when you consider the cultural sensitivities

of the day. I read recently 'She is the most carefully and intensely catechized person in this entire Gospel!' I have read this account many, many times, but this time was different because of a small phrase that in the past I had completely overlooked.

In the passage we read this 'Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. 'Come and see' she says to the people in the city...Come and see!

The Samaritan becomes an apostle much like Mary Magdalene, the first to meet the risen Jesus and go to tell the others. She is a model for us here at St Philip's we who gather and find inspiration in our motto 'Come and see.' It is a motto that has a future focus, it has movement, it is inviting, it presupposes nothing, it is a perfect foundation on which we can build our mission.

Although having said that I have immediately fallen into a commonly held misconception...the Church does not have a mission, the mission has a church! It is God's mission and I think that ultimately God's mission is one of reconciliation. Today's gospel account has an underlying theme of reconciliation and my thinking is that above all, in our modern fragmented world, we need to share in God's mission of reconciliation.

If you are still looking for a Lenten way of journeying and thinking ABM's marks of mission are well worth considering.

- Witness to Christ's saving, forgiving and reconciling love for all people
 - Build welcoming, transforming communities of faith
 - Stand in solidarity with the poor and needy
 - Challenge violence, injustice and oppression, and work for peace and reconciliation
 - Protect, care for and renew life on our planet
- I hope Lent is a satisfying journey for you....blessings, **Martin**

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

Friday 24 Mar, 7-8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Saturday 25 Mar, 9am	Feast of the Annunciation. This is an important festival in our calendar. It marks the beginning of our story as Christians when Mary said yes to God's call through the Angel Gabriel. The Eucharist will be celebrated at 9.00am at St Philips (before Pandoras opens)! The Baptism of Arlo Thomas Matthews will be held at 2.00pm. Come along and celebrate this day....Christmass is coming!
Friday 31 Mar, 5 - 7pm	Happy Hour Seafood & Market Day Prep
Friday 7 Apr, 7 - 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Saturday 1 Apr, 9am - 1pm	St Philip's Autumn Market!!
Saturday 8 Apr, 9 - 11am	Cleaning Bee, church & courtyard
Sunday 9 Apr, 12.30pm	Home Group, Lamerton Centre
Wednesday 12 Apr, 7pm	Parish Council Meeting