

This coming week @ St Philip's

Monday	St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre
Tue – Fri	8am Morning Prayer
	5.30pm Evening Prayer
Thursday	10am Eucharist and Morning Tea
	11am Lenten Study – Lamerton Centre
	7pm Lenten Study - Lamerton Centre
Friday	10am – 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
Saturday	10am – 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
	10.30am Eucharist @ Kankinya

Prayer Points

For those in need: Pat Forbes; Colin Forbes; Fred Langman; Roger Sharp; James Kim; Brian McKinlay; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley. The repose of the soul of Chris Hudlass and for her family and friends.
Those we remember: Chris Hudlass (18/3/18); 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); Betty Heaton (24/3/17); Allan Pound (28/3/93); David Linaker (29/3/96).

Next Sunday – Easter Day

Readings: Acts 10.34-43; Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3.1-4; Matthew 28.1-10

7am:	Presiding & Preaching: The Rev'd Martin Johnson
	Sidesperson: John Girdlestone
	Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson
	Server: Zara Mann
	Chalice Server: Leighton Mann
	Readers: Joseph Lloyd & John Girdlestone
10am:	Presiding and Preaching: Rev'd Canon Professor Scott Cowdell
	Welcomer: Denise Manley
	Sidespeople: Sally Adams & Roger Sharp
	Music: Colin Forbes
	Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks
	Readers: Tim Gulliver (OT) Denise Manley (NT)
	Chalice Servers: Rev'd Martin Johnson & Doreen Odom
	Morning tea: Remainder of Easter Celebration Breakfast

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

EFTPOS available in the foyer to assist with your giving.



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Sunday 25 March 2018

Palm – Passion Sunday

10am Music

Hymns: 333, 353, 341 & 496

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 50.1-9a; Psalm 31.9-20; Philippians 2.5-11; Mark 14.1-15.27

Today's Rosters

Flowers: Palms

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: Shane Woodburn

10am Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: Louise & Matt McKay; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Sarah Gowty; Server: Zara Mann; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Ann Munro (OT), Rebecca Palethorpe (NT); Chalices: Denise Manley & Hardy Palethorpe; Morning Tea: Anne Mahony & Jan Gulliver.

Psalm 31.9-20



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. **Resp.**
- 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:
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. **Resp.**
- 14 For I hear the whispering of many:
and fear is on every side;
- 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.' **Resp.**
- 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. **Resp.**
- 19 O Lord, let me not be confounded, for I have called upon you:
but let the wicked be put to shame and brought to silence in the grave.
- 20 Let the lying lips be dumb:
that in pride and contempt speak such insolence against the just. **Resp.**

From the Rector

Dear Friends

As you know we are, at present, in Year B of the lectionary cycle, it is the year of Mark and today, Passion/Palm Sunday, we will hear the account of the Passion from Mark's gospel read in full. Mark's gospel is short on detail and for that reason it was for centuries overlooked. After all why would you read Mark if you could hear Jesus as the new Moses expounding the new 'law' in the astonishing words of the Beatitudes, or listen to him telling the parables of the Good Samaritan or the Prodigal Son or hear the majestic words of the prologue of the fourth gospel. And yet for all this Mark's gospel has this ability to speak to us in

a different way, engage us and more than the others, invite us in. Perhaps that was the intention of Mark to allow us to find a place within the text rather than crowding us out.

As we hear the Passion narrative today listen out for a distinctively Marcan piece. Verse 21 is one sentence, a simple one: *They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.* We are likely to pass over it such is its simplicity; but I wonder if we are missing something crucially important. We know nothing about these three, Simon and his two sons, Mark typically doesn't elaborate, but is it possible that Rufus and Alexander were known to the folk who first heard this gospel? Did their father return home to Cyrene with a story so extraordinary that these two young men became followers, and part of the community who first heard this account.

I read this recently, which might give us food for thought during this week. *As we stand in the crowd this week, we need to make Simon's journey our journey. The story we tell today, and will tell again and again this week, took place not for some great abstraction, the salvation of the world, but so that ordinary men and women, people like you and me, might have lives that have purpose and shape. Jesus passes us by in the crowd; but for each one of us he will turn and look, he will offer us a chance in carrying his cross, so that we in turn may pass on to our children or our neighbours a hope that life and death, even a violent messy death in the sun outside Jerusalem, is not the end of everything*.*

Every blessing for this Holy Week

Martin

* From 'Walking to Emmaus' by Eamon Duffy

Rosters for Holy Week

Maundy Thursday 7.00pm

Preside & Preach	Rev'd Canon Scott Cowdell
Deacon	Rev'd Robin Moore
Readers	Susan Johnson (OT): Fred Anchell (NT)
Chalice Servers	Rev'd Martin Johnson & Denise Manley
It would be wonderful to have 12 folk come forward for foot washing at the evening Eucharist. Please speak with Martin if you would like to be included.	

Good Friday Noon

Preside & Preach	Rev'd Martin Johnson
Liturgical Assistant	Rev'd Robin Moore
Readers	tba

Easter Eve 7.00pm (Saturday)

Preside	Rev'd Martin Johnson
Deacon	Rev'd Linda Anchell
Server & Thurifer	Leighton Mann
Readers	1. Fred Anchell; 2. Denise Manley; 3. Susan Johnson; 4. Rev'd Jeanette McHugh; 5. Tba

St Philip's Calendar

<http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php>

Thursday 29 Mar, 7pm	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday 30 Mar, 9am	Children's Stations of the Cross
Friday 30 Mar, 12 – 3pm	Good Friday Service
Saturday 31 Mar, 7.30pm	Easter Vigil & Service of Light (with incense)
Sunday 1 Apr, 7am	Eucharist (with incense)
Sunday 1 Apr, 8 – 9.30am	Easter celebration breakfast
Sunday 1 Apr, 10am	Solemn Sung Eucharist

Please see the pew sheet for rosters for the above services.

Friday 6 Apr, 7 – 8.30pm **St Philip's Youth Group**

Colin and Jeanette will be having an open house at their new home, 21 Cashman St., Denman Prospect on 7 April beginning at 2pm. All are welcome. We will open for business at 2pm and the stragglers will be hosed out at about 5pm. Martin has kindly agreed to bless the house at about 3pm. 0414 250 698, cdundon@iinet.net.au. **Colin Dundon**

Saturday 14 Apr, 9am – 1pm	Autumn Market Morning <i>see flyer</i>
Friday 27 Apr 5 – 7pm	Happy Hour – <i>April Fools Theme</i>
Friday 4 May 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday 6 May – 10am	St Philip's Day – Sunday Zone followed by Special Morning Tea. Please bring a plate of food to share.

There is a real need for more parishioners to read during the services, to be a Lay Reader at 10am, to be a sidesperson and to help with morning tea. If you feel you would be able to do one or more of these things, would you please speak with Martin?