

# Welcome to St Philip's

The Anglican Church of St Philip's O'Connor, Canberra, ACT, Australia

We are delighted you are here (especially visitors on the web!)

Visitors are welcome to receive Holy Communion

Services on Sunday: Holy Communion 8am and 10am. Wednesday 10am

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## Sunday 14th December, 2003 Third Sunday in Advent

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119



### Readings:

Zeph: 3: 14-20

A Song of Isaiah (APBA p: 391)

Phil: 4: 4-7

Luke 3: 7-18

Hymns at 10am: TIS 272, 289 (candle lighting), 316, 609, 545

Organist at 10am: Colin Forbes

Soloist: Rob Clayton

As we receive Communion Rob will lead us in singing

TIS 713 "Dona Nobis Pacem Nomine"

Food for the needy may be placed in the basket at the entrance of the church.

## **From Rob**

Dear friends,

This year as we approach Christmas we remember the birth of a very special baby - Zara Claire Mann. We rejoice with Ruth and Leighton in the slightly bumpy landing but otherwise safe arrival of little Zara. We give thanks to God for this gift of life among Ruth and Leighton's family and amongst our St Philip's family. Having cleared a few hurdles to just arrive Zara also cleared a few more before it was confirmed that she has Down Syndrome. Having met and prayed with Zara a couple of times I'm convinced that the world will be a better place for her presence and I'm sure she will bring great joy and blessing to all who know her. Congratulations Ruth and Leighton!

On a sad note we learnt of the death of Peter Blaseotto on Wednesday after some months of treatment for lung cancer. Peter was very much a part of St Philip's and was often present at special occasions in partnership with Beryl. Although Peter had been ill for some time his death came very swiftly on Wednesday. As Peter moves on to his new life with the Lord our prayers are offered for Beryl and the Blaseotto family.

On Thursday night I attended the opening of the Visiting Scholars Flat at St Marks. The flat was refurbished thanks to the bequest of Louise Fell. Louise was the bishop's secretary beginning in the time of Bishop Cecil Warren. It was a blessing to see Bishop Cecil and Doreen Warren again.

On this third Sunday of Advent we welcome Chris (The Somewhat Slightly Reverend???) Cheah to preach. Chris is focussing his

message on the theme "Peace" which is the Christmas bowl theme for Advent 3. Chris always has a good well prepared and thought out message and we look forward to his preaching today

Christmas Bowl have confused me this year! (It's not hard to do these days!). The Christmas Bowl material had the JOY theme last week and this week the PEACE theme. Having asked Chris to preach on the PEACE theme I find that the readings have quite a lot of reference to JOY. I'm sure we will survive! Having heard the beginning of the John the Baptist story last week we hear the continuation today and it begins with some pretty harsh words from John to those who came to hear him. John calls for an attitude of repentance and dependence on God with action for justice amongst other people. It is when we think about it a recipe for peace and it prepares the way for his hearers to be ready for the Good News brought by Jesus.

Rob Lamerton.

SCUNA – Society Choral University National Australian!!!!  
The ANU Choral Society celebrates its Fortieth Birthday this weekend. Welcome to all who are visiting for the celebrations and Happy Birthday

ANGLICARE ANGELS AND ANGEL PENS AVAILABLE IN THE PORCH.

St Philip's Bookmarks are available in the porch at \$2 each. A splendid idea as a small gift to include with Christmas greetings!

WE PRAY FOR: Those in need of healing: Ruth Mc Gorman-Mann and baby Zara, Elizabeth Sillano, Pauline Amwony, Joyce Braithwaite, Sarona, Irene Keast, Rowan Gray, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase, also Malvina, Mark and Kimberley.

Those who mourn: Beryl and the Blaseotto family

The Saints: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Richard Baxter, pastor and spiritual writer (d.1691); Lucy, martyr and virgin (d. 304)

The departed: Joseph Horace Heaton d.3/12/88

The departed: Peter Blaseotto

## TODAY'S ROSTER:

Morning Tea: Kerry-Anne & Ian Cousins

Readers:

8 am Rhonda Evans

10am: Ann Munro 1st Sarah Gowty 2nd

Sidespeople: 8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe

Flowers: Gowty Family

## THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's Day Off

Tuesday to Friday: Morning Prayer 9am Evening Prayer 5pm

Tuesday: 10.30am Holy Communion , Kankinya

12.45pm Funeral – Peter Blaseotto

Wednesday: 10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday:

Friday: 10.00am – 1.00pm Pandora's Open

Saturday: 10.00am – 1.00pm Pandora's Open

SUNDAY 21st DECEMBER 2003

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

7.30pm Festival of Readings and Carols

Readings: Micah 5: 2-5A

Song of Mary (APBA p.31 or 425)

Hebrews 10: 5-10

Luke 1: 39-45 (46-55)

## NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER.

Morning Tea: Janet & Tony Brian-Davis  
Readers 8am: Carola Parke  
10am: David Gowty 1st Jean Pound 2nd  
Sidespersons: 8am: Norm Davey  
10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson  
Flowers: Come One Come All

Educational Courses at ANUTECH  
Professional Theatre Training, Information Technology Courses and  
English Language Skills Courses: leaflets available in the porch.

## NOTICES

CAMRA presents Amanda Forbes in Concert tonight!  
Winner 2003 Dame Joan Sutherland Society of Sydney Award  
& 2003 Australian National Operatic Aria. St Philip's, Sunday  
14 December 8pm.  
Adults \$30, concession \$20. Enquiries 62496067.



## NORTHBOURNE COMMUNITY CENTRE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas Party will be held this year on Monday 22nd

December at 12.30pm. Cash donations or donations of plain chips (in individual packets), cordials or sweets are needed to make the party a really celebratory event. Last day for donations Sunday 21st December please!

Archdeacon Allan Ewing of St John's Reid has been named as our new Assistant Bishop. Allan will be ordained bishop on Feb.1st and take up the position in Wagga Wagga.

## 2004 ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDARS

Last chance to order calendars!

Please give your \$10 to Tony asap--today if possible as he wants to get the order off before Christmas.

## CLEANING ROSTER???

With our paid cleaner away for the university break we need to make sure St Philip's gets cleaned. Would you be willing to be on a roster for church cleaning? If we could get a roster up and running until February we could then review the cleaning. About two hours a week are required.

## DON'T THROW OUT YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS

When you have replied to them, please pass them to Ruth who will recycle them into new ones for next year.

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked - Envelopes and Loose \$773.00 plus EFT \$320

Pandoras \$131 Kindergarten Rent \$1761.60 Use of Church \$115

Trading Table \$53.70 Reimbursement \$300 Angels & Pens \$37

Please take a pewsheet home and pass one on to someone else.

Put a link in your own website or email signature!

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