

Welcome to St Philip's

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Newsletter for Sunday July 27th 2003 (Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)

Dear Friends,

Since I became Rector of St Philip's we have added to our team of Lay Ministers for Liturgy and now have a quite diverse team. Chris Cheah is one of our most recent "converts" and I am pleased and relieved that Chris is our preacher today. Our first attempts to find a suitable day seemed to indicate that it would never happen! Perseverance paid off and Chris finally gets his chance. I know we will all find Chris' perception and insight rewarding. Welcome to the pulpit Chris!

For those who have been holding their breath! I will be making a "comeback" to preaching next Sunday. It is indeed heartening to be told (or was it "warned") that my absence from the preaching roster had been noted. In the words of the Terminator "I'll be back!"

"All things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose". It seems to be working that way for us at St Philip's especially regarding relief clergy! At the beginning of the year when Jeannette McHugh returned to Canberra I was hopeful that she would add her skills to the team at St Philip's. I was concerned that with Fr. Bill Nicholson and Doug Bannerman available that there would not be enough space on the calendar! Then of course both Doug and Bill announced that they would be departing St Philip's for other places. Jeannette's settling and being available just at the right time has been a

gift from God. Thanks Jeannette for leading worship, presiding at the Eucharist and Preaching last Sunday and on Wednesday. People have commented about the lovely relaxed and homely feel about Jeannette's style of leadership. Now I feel nervous my style of leadership!

Evidently the Nicholsons have settled into their new home in Craigieburn! We sent a contingent of musicians and singers with a letter of greeting to Orbost to ease Doug and Anne into that new place. There are photos in the porch of Doug's Induction at St James, Orbost and a copy of the report of the Bannerman's arrival in the Orbost "Snowy River Mail". What ever happened to the "O'Connor Mail"?

My break started with the usual tidying of the shed which allowed me to get the parish car inside... only to find such huge amounts of things arriving for the Garage Sale that I had to move the car out again to allow for storage! Fortunately the Garage Sale has cleared the shed of much and hopefully by dismantling the large room dividers we will save much space. Last weekend I travelled to Wangaratta and Albury to visit friends.

The ongoing Saga of David reveals the not so nice side of the great king as he steals Uriah's wife Bathsheba and generally shows "poor form". Uriah the Hittite displays the greater honour! The ways of God are revealed in this outsider and the one chosen to lead has the flaws in his character shown up. God's purposes are not thwarted by the failures of God's servants and by contrast are often seen in those least expected! The psalm has the notation "To the leader. Of David" which may mean by David or about David. Either way the psalm reflects on the behaviour of David and if it comes from the pen of David then he condemns himself!
Rob Lamerton

Please pray for:

Give thanks for healing: Denise Manley.

Those in need of healing: Peter Blaseotto, Irene Keast, Rowan Gray, Shirley Campbell, Megan Clelland, Anne Hollingworth, Merv McInnes, Laurel Knight, Connie Hearn, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Jim Legge, Mira Barratt, Marina, Jutaro Murase, Ted Moore, also Malvina, Mark and Kimberley.

Eileen Myles – close to death

The Departed: Dot Mayo d. 22/7/02; Ellen Elizabeth Mahony d.29/7/2000

Michael Gamble d.24/7/97; Portia Vincent d.26/7/90

The Saints: Mary Magdalene; James, Apostle and Martyr.

Please keep me informed about these people so that we know how to pray or if they should no longer be on the list. Thanks!

This week

This week -

- Tuesday to Friday: 7am Morning Prayer
5pm Evening Prayer
- Tuesday:
 - 10.30am
Kankinya
 - 12.30pm
Wardens
meeting
- Wednesday:
 - 10.00am Holy
Communion
 - 11.00am Bible
Study -
Philippians
- Friday: 12.15pm ANU Chaplaincy

**Sunday 3rd August, 2003
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost**

8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday Readings:

- 2 Samuel
11.26 -
12.13a
- Psalm 51. 1-
12
- Ephesians 4.
1-16
- John 6. 24-35

Rosters:

Morning Tea: Yasmin Barrington-Knight and
Ann Strugnell

Readers

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris Cheah 1st David Gowty 2nd

Sidespersons: 8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Roger Sharp and Chris Cheah
Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

Notices

CHRISTMAS IN JULY A HEALTHY ALTERNATIVE!

The celebration of Christmas in July limits the eating to one major meal only. This can only be a good thing! Encouraged by this act of self-discipline we will now be able to avoid the hassles of the traditional Christmas in December and focus our thoughts on healthy eating in preparation for the holiday season. Thanks to all who worked to make the Christmas in July Dinner fun event!
The Dinner raised \$170.

SERVERS IN THE SANCTUARY

The shortage of a regular supply of servers to assist at the Eucharist has prompted me to invite any interested people to offer to be trained. Although we have mostly had younger servers there is no age limit. There may be adults who have been itching to offer! Now is your big chance!

GARAGE SALE AND BAR-B-QUE

Thanks to all who worked so hard to clear the parish shed! The Garage Sale and Bar-B-Que raised \$610.15.

Weekly Offering Required \$1565
Offerings banked 14/7/03 - Envelopes and Loose \$699, EFT \$320
The following amounts are not part of the required weekly offering - Pandora's \$177
Rectory Repairs \$10

Offerings banked 21/7/03 - Envelopes and Loose \$594, EFT \$320, Mogo Mission project

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The following amounts are not part of the
required weekly offering - Pandora's \$94

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