

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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single-minded in the midst of troubles!



Sunday 16th November, 2003

Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

1 Samuel 1: 4-20
Song of Hannah (APBA p. 429)
Hebrews 10: 11-14 (15-18) 19-25
Mark 13: 1-11

Hymns at 10.00am: TIS 560i, 401, 498, 554
Organist at 10am: Colin Forbes
Choir at 10.00am: Igitur Nos

At 10.00am the musical setting for the Eucharist is " Missa Aeterna Christi Munera ('The Eternal Gifts of Christ') by Giovanni Pierluigi a Palestrina (1525-1594).

At Holy Communion: "O Sacrum Convivium" by Thomas Tallis (1510-1585)

Translation: O sacred banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of his passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace and a pledge of future glory given to us. from a poem by Thomas Aquinas.

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

From Rob

Dear friends,

We welcome the singing group Igitur Nos to St Philips again! Igitur Nos will sing the musical setting for our Eucharist today.

Today is the Twenty third Sunday after Pentecost. It is also called The Second Sunday before Advent which begins in two weeks. In these weeks leading up to Advent there appears to be a definite Advent flavour with reference to the advent (the beginning) of the end times. The end times theme is also interwoven with stories of

the end of Jesus' journey. Today Jesus sits opposite the Temple in Jerusalem and ponders the future with Peter, James, John and Andrew.

The story has Jesus combining apocalyptic images in a sort of farewell speech. Apocalyptic language is colourful and disturbing describing world shattering events with the conclusion that God's glorious purpose would be revealed. As these words were being recorded and read, the Christian community and the Jewish community in Jerusalem would have been experiencing great persecution and difficulty. The message to the four with Jesus in the story and to the church which followed was to remain single minded in faith in spite of the trouble. Another element in this gospel is the mention that the gospel must be preached first before all things come to an end. In the midst of all the trouble Jesus' call is for a single minded or "focussed" faith and the willingness to make the gospel known.

The other aspect of this story is that Jesus speaks of the destruction of the Temple as part of this farewell. It appears to be a hint that there will soon be a new temple, with a new sacrifice and a new priesthood. Although we might not see it clearly Jesus' followers, who were predominantly Jews would understand the meaning! The story continues through with the anointing at Bethany and then the garden of Gethsemane and on to Jesus' arrest and crucifixion.

The story of the temple with the challenge to a focussed faith and willingness to preach the gospel can be challenged in as it threaten our comfort zone. Without being exclusive or negative about those of other faiths or none we must believe that the Love of God in Christ offers answers to the problems of the world and society. without any superiority or holier than thou attitudes we are called to be a people who proclaim the alternative to the things which divide and destroy. We are called to heal where others hurt. We are called to love where others sow hate and distrust.

After all of our discussions at Parish Council on Tuesday about building maintenance, the Kindergarten Lease and Diocesan requirements for our management of St Philips it was to discuss plans for "reaching out" with the gospel.

Rob Lamerton.

WE PRAY FOR: Those in need of healing Sarona, Peter Blaseotto, Irene Keast. Rowan Gray, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase, also Malvina, Mark and Kimberley.

The Saints: Leo of Rome, bishop and teacher (d.461); Martin, bishop of Tours (d.387); Charles Simeon, evangelist (d 1836)

The departed: Williarn Keal Trivett (d. 15/11/90), Stanley Roy Vincent (d.6/11/02)

TODAY'S ROSTER: .

Morning Tea: Janet & Tony Brian Davis

Readers

8am: Carola Parke

10am: Ruth McGorman Mann 1st Jean Pound 2nd

Sidespersons: 8am: Norm Davey

10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson

Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's Day Off

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

Tuesday: 10.30am Kankinya HC

12.30pm Warden's Meeting

Wednesday:10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday:

Friday: 10.00am – 1.00pm Pandora's Open

Saturday: 10.00am – 1.00pm Pandora's Open

SUNDAY 23rd November 2003

CHRIST THE KING

8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

Readings: 2 Samuel 23: 1-7

Psalm Psalm 132 1-12 (13-18)

Rev 1: 4-8

John 18: 2-27

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER.

Morning Tea: Ann Munro and Margaret Woodbridge

Readers: 8am: Joyce Webster

10 am: Linda Anchell 1st Ashton Robinson 2nd

Sidespeople: 8am: Ian Rischbieth

10 am: Helen Palethorpe and Gowty Family

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

NOTICES

FAREWELL TO REBECCA AND DAVID

Rebecca's last Sunday with us will be 23rd November. On that day we will say our farewells at morning tea after the 10.00am Eucharist.

ST PHILIPS FAMOUS ADVENT DINNER

Friday 28th November at 7.00pm

Barbecue - steak chicken and sausages with salads

All In the lovely courtyard

Book in on the list in the porch - Single \$25 extra person \$20
child \$10

ORDINATION REBECCA NEWLAND

Rebecca Newland is to be ordained deacon at St Saviour's Cathedral on Monday 1st December at 6.00pm. A caravan of cars (or is a cavalcade?) will be leaving St Philip's at 4.30 pm to be present at Rebecca's ordination.

Please put your name on the list as a driver (with number of seats available) or passenger.

Contributions to St Philip's presentation to Rebecca should be made in an envelope marked "Ordination Gift".

ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDARS

An order form is on the notice board in the foyer. Please list name and number of calendars you require. They are \$10 each.

CHRISTMAS BOWL APPEAL LAUNCH

Monday 17th November at 6.30pm at Wesley Uniting Church, National Circuit, Forrest. Guest Speaker: Ms. Emele Duituturaga, Chair of the Social Education and Empowerment Program of the Ecumenical Centre for Research and Education and Advocacy Board member of Fiji Development Bank.

Please call NSW Ecumenical Council Canberra Office 62574095.

ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Still a few cards left! See Chris Cheah to arrange payment. A wide range of Anglicare Cards are available with many others at the Charity Card Shop in Civic.

AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE

We are invited to participate in the dedication of the "Great Cross" at 3.00pm on Saturday 22nd November. Please see the notice on the noticeboard!

NEW POST OFFICE BOX NUMBER FOR ST PHILIP'S

Our postal address is now P.O. Box 6022 O'CONNOR A.C.T. 2602

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked Envelopes and Loose \$679.40 plus EFT \$320

Pandoras \$107.70 Donations \$5

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

Put a link in your own website or email signature!
