

# 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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## Administration of Holy Communion

Communion will be administered with two large cups (one at 8.00am). A very small cup will be available for intinction (dipping). If you prefer to take the communion wine by intinction please hold your wafer (of bread) so that it is visible to those administering the cups.

**Sunday 4th April 2004,  
Fifth Sunday in Lent**



Hosanna!

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

## Readings:

- Isaiah 50:4-9a
- Psalm 31:9-18
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Luke 22:14-23

Hymns: TIS: 333, 279, 231, 341 (v.1-4,7), Song Sheet  
Organist (10.00am): Robyn Holmes

Soloist today: Alison Knight

Alison will lead us in Psalm 31

At Communion: "Bread is Blessed and Broken" - Iona Community

Recessional: "God be with You"

## From Rob

Hi Everybody!

Our parish camp last weekend was great fun and listening to talks by Archbishop Rowan Williams (Archbishop of Canterbury) provided us with some great discussion about aspects of "community". Now just before people get excited about having the Archbishop of Canterbury at our parish camp I had better explain. We didn't! Instead we listened to CDs of his talks available on the Internet. We did have Chris Cheah and Jeannette McHugh leading and guiding meditations as well as Stephen Palethorpe informing us about the Diocesan Environmental Commission and stirring discussion about being an environmentally friendly Christian community. The food and accommodation were as usual of a high standard and quite a number of day visitors added to the numbers. A special thanks to Janine Studholme for her work in organizing the camp! We are convinced that the annual camp can help build our sense of community and so another one is scheduled for 27th-29th May 2005.

Today begins Holy Week as we think about Jesus' ride into Jerusalem and then within a very short time his being led to the cross. The two are powerfully brought to life and remembered in our worship today. But why? For a long time this day only recalled the ride into

Jerusalem and the crucifixion was left to Good Friday. It seems that the purpose of today is to hold the twin themes of welcome and rejection together and give us the opportunity over three years to hear the story from the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke with their special emphasis. This leaves the wonderfully dramatic version from John's gospel for Good Friday! The stories of the crucifixion of Jesus are described as his "passion" because "passio" is Latin for suffering. I suppose the word might also describe the immense feeling of the story.

We will of course have the benefit of the J.S. Bach presentation of John's version "St John Passion" tonight as well! This has been a major undertaking by Colin and Pat Forbes and CAMRA with many extras. It is a wonderful production expressing in musical form the drama of the story.

The combination of the themes of welcome and rejection by very much the same crowd remind us that it is easy to be a part of the winning side and join the parade but when the call of God challenges us with a more difficult path it is easier to stay with the "winning" side. The crucifixion stories are not anti Semitic, however the context of their writing meant that the writers reflected badly on the Jewish authorities and the negativity of the crowd. To participate in the crowd responses as we read the Passion is a telling experience and challenges us to wonder where we might have stood on that day and how we respond today. Do we welcome or reject the way of the Christ?

Rob Lamerton

#### WE PRAY FOR:

Those in need of healing: Ruth Horn (Elizabeth Sillano's mother), Zana (in Baxter Detention Centre), Sarona, Irene Keast, Rowan Gray, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Mira Barratt and Jutaro Murase.

Faithful departed: John Keble, priest (d. 1866), Richard of Chichester (d. 1256). We remember today Helen and Hardy Palethorpe following the death of Helen's mother this week.

## TODAY'S ROSTER:

Morning Tea: Dimitri & Kate

Readers 8am: 1st Devin Combs Bowles, 2nd John Girdlestone

10am: 1st Beryl Holder 2nd Chris Cheah

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp

## THIS WEEK

Monday to Wednesday 7am Morning Prayer & 5pm Holy Communion

Tuesday: 10.00am - 3.00 Clergy Quiet Day

Wednesday: 10.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Lent Study

7.00pm Passover and Eucharist

Friday: 12.00-3.00pm Good Friday Devotions

Saturday: 10am-12noon Clean up around the Church

Pandora's at O'Connor will be closed for the Easter weekend

## SUNDAY 11th APRIL 2004 Easter Day

6.00am Lighting of the New Fire

7.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Acts 10.34-43
- Psalm 118,1-2, 14-24
- 1 Corinthians 15.19-26
- Luke 24.1-12

Rosters:

Cleaning: Washington Oloo

Morning Tea: 10am Washington Oloo & Margaret Woodbridge

Readers 7am: 1st Elizabeth Allinson, 2nd Rhonda Evans

10am: 1st Sarah Gowty 2nd Jean Pound

Sidespersons:

7am: John Cunliffe

10am: Helen & Hardy Palethorpe

Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

## NOTICES

### Holy Week and Easter 2004 Programme

- 8 April Maundy Thursday
  - 7.00pm Passover Dinner and Eucharist of the Last Supper including foot washing ceremony.
- 9 April Good Friday 12pm to 3pm Three Hour Devotion
- 10 April Saturday 10am -12pm Preparation of the Church
- 11 April, Easter Day
  - 6.00am Lighting of the New Fire
  - 7.00am Eucharist
  - 8.00am - 9.45am Celebration Breakfast (\$9 per adult, \$5 children)
  - 10am Sung Eucharist and Baptism.

**Tenebrae at All Saint's Ainslie on Tuesday 6th  
April at 8.00pm**

Also includes Allegri's "Miserere" and the "Tenebrae Responses" by Victoria. Tenebrae means darkness and reflects the darkness of Christ's death.

**Letterbox leaflets**

Delivery areas and maps are available. Please list your name against your delivery area to avoid doubling up! There are still some areas to be covered for the Easter program

**"Passover" Dinner**

Please put your name on the list if you plan to come to the Passover dinner. If you can assist with catering please indicate in the space provided.

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

Informal children's activities will continue on a weekly basis, with a special focus for the children on the second and fourth Sundays.

**READERS NEEDED**

for Good Friday (8 readers) and for Easter Day (6am). Please put your name on the lists in the porch.

## Electoral meeting

At our electoral meeting last week  
Devin Combs Bowles was elected  
People's Warden and Synod Rep.  
Denise Manley was elected to Parish  
Council.

Weekly Offering Required \$1565  
Offerings banked 29/3/04 Envelopes and  
Loose \$500.20, EFT \$320 Lent Studies  
\$11.25 Pandora's \$113.25

Food for the Parish pantry may be placed  
in the basket at the entrance of the church

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

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