

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

Administration of Communion Wine

At 10.00am Communion the bread is administered, then the small cup for intinction (dipping)
The two common cups for sipping will follow

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Sunday 01 August 2004
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



"He thought he had it all!"

8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Hosea 11:1-11
- Ps 107: 1-9, 43
- Colossians 3: 1-11
- Luke 12: 13-21

Hymns: Together in Song: 188, 610, 539, 611

Organist: Colin Forbes

Soloist Today: Jacquie Brack

Psalm 107 Congregation sing the antiphon at the beginning and end.

At Communion: "Turn Thee to Me" - Dvorak

For the Blessing: "God to Enfold You" - John Bell.

Prayer response (10am): Lord of creation, **keep us in your love**

Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks!

From Rob

Hi Everyone,

I am beginning to wonder if the global "War onTerror" will extend to countless "signed on for duty" type speeches by the rival candidates in the US Presidential Elections! It seems the whole feeling of the election reflects the war theme. Amongst all the patriotism and emotion I have heard little about how the candidates really plan to combat terrorism apart from more of the same. I hope that we are not flooded by so much US election news that we do not hear enough information about the policies and candidates for the federal and ACT elections here in Australia!

Recent events surrounding hostages in Iraq the withdrawal of troops by Spain and the Philippines as well as the comments made by our Minister for Foreign Affairs Alexander Downer highlight the importance of respect for decisions made by foreign governments even though we may disagree. This whole sorry state of affairs in

Iraq was for seen by many who opposed the war in the first place! As much as I am against the war, I think that security must be maintained in Iraq and so a general pull out of troops would be disastrous. The whole hostage taking thing is tragic and is of course conducted by desperate people trying to make their point by disrupting the new administration. I am always concerned in these situations when politicians say "We do not negotiate with terrorists!" For years we heard the same thing said in South Africa and Northern Ireland (and we hear it still in Israel) only to discover that the terrorists had legitimate grievances needing to be addressed! The real answers are never clear but to stand off and make bold statements can be unhelpful!

Just last week after discussing the need for administrative help with Parish Council I received a phone call from a parish in another Diocese inviting me to be their rector. I have declined their offer but it was a tempting proposition because they have a budget twice what ours is as well as office staff and administrative help! I'm relieved to say the thinking and praying about the situation helped me focus much more on the needs of St Philip's and come to see that my prayers for administrative help etc. can be answered here.

Today's first reading from Hosea ch.11 is the answer to last week's reading about the unfaithfulness of Israel. God can only find compassion for these miserable souls and desires to restore them. They were in bad shape at all levels and had lost touch with God whereas the man in the gospel story had everything but had no regard for God. He might be a symbol of a humanity which is indifferent to God! The psalmist reminds "those whom the Lord has redeemed" to "proclaim that he has redeemed them" to let their faith be known! Paul of course focuses that faith on Christ who has been raised and urges active participation in that reality.

Rob Lamerton

PANDORA'S AT O'CONNOR \$2 SALE THROUGHOUT AUGUST

NOTICES

Child Protection Workshop Saturday August 24th

see [Child Protection 28 August04.html](#)

Rachmaninov Vespers St Philip's Sunday 1st August 2.30pm

Performed by the Oriana Chorale conducted by Sally McRae with Associate Artist Rowan Harvey Martin. Leaflets available.

[see details](#)

Amanda Forbes' Farewell Recital on Saturday 21st August.

See: [Amanda Farewell.html](#)

Having made her mark here at St Philip's as a soloist and with 'Cantare' Amanda has gone from strength to strength in her studies and singing career. Amanda won the Dame Joan Sutherland Society of Sydney Award as well as the Australian National Operatic Aria in 2003. Amanda is now heading to London to study at The Royal Academy. We are blessed to have Amanda performing her farewell recital at St Philip's on Saturday 21st August at 8.00pm. Works will include those by Samuel Barber, Mozart and Handel. Leaflets are in the porch.

Adults \$30, Concessions \$25 Card-carrying students \$20 Bookings 02 6249 6067

Do you have a current first aid certificate?

Please let Leighton know if you do and are happy to have your name displayed on a list in the foyer next to our new first aid kit (when it arrives).

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Catherine Oloo, wife of the "Wonderful Washington", is trying to earn some money to put towards her planned visit back to Kenya at the end of this year to reunite with their five children. She is looking for work cleaning houses and charges \$15 per hour. If anyone knows of any vacancies in this area, please contact Catherine on 6254 1084.

Christmas Bowl

Ray Williamson from the National Council of Churches writes to encourage us to remember the Christmas Bowl even in the middle of the year.

"Recently, the National Council of Churches in Australia announced that it has made an initial contribution of \$15,000 to an appeal to assist the response to the crisis in Dafur.

The Dafur Province in Western Sudan is home to some six million nomads and farmers. It is estimated that there are over two million conflict-affected people there in need of emergency support. The UN and humanitarian agencies have described the situation as one of the world's worst humanitarian crises. This appeal to which Christmas Bowl funds have contributed is the first formal joint appeal between Protestant, Orthodox and Catholic churches in Dafur."

PLANNED GIVING via ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

Parish income is already suffering as a result of lower church attendance and the winter chill! I encourage you to continue your commitment to the ministry of Christ at St Philip's firstly by keeping up the Sunday attendances. I encourage you also to keep up your financial committment by using the weekly Planned Giving Envelopes OR by giving direct to St Philip's via the Anglican Development Fund by Direct Debit. Cards and information about this are available! OR you may prefer to arrange a regular payment by EFT through your internet banking.

WE PRAY FOR:

Ashton Robinson in Iraq

Those in need of healing: Noah Palethorpe, Shirley Barrett, Eric Mahoney, Linda Kennedy, Bryan Little, Ruth Horn (Elizabeth Sillano's mother), Zana, Saron, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Mira Barratt, Yoko and Jutaro Murase.

The Departed: Dot Mayo d.22/7/97; Ellen Elizabeth Mahony d.29/7/2000; Michael Gamble d.24/7/97; Portia Vincent d.26/7/90; Jyo (Joe) Sen d.2/8/94

Anne, mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Mary and Martha of Bethany; William Wilberforce, social reformer d.1883; Joseph of Arimathea and Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus 1556

TODAY'S ROSTER:

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

10am: 1st Beryl Holder 2nd Chris Cheah

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Rodger Sharp and Chris Cheah

Morning Tea: 10am Dimitri and helpers

THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's day off

Tuesday-Friday: 8am: Morning Prayer 5pm: Evening Prayer Tuesday:

10.30am: Kankinya Holy Communion

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion

Thursday: 6.00pm Meal, Study and Meditation - Rectory

Friday: 10.00am - 1.00pm Pandora's Open

Saturday: 10am -1.00pm Pandora's Open

SUNDAY 8th August 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Isaiah 1:1, 20-20
- Ps 50:1-8, 23-24
- Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
- Luke 12:32-40

Rosters:

Cleaning: Pat Forbes

Flowers: Kerry Ann Cousins

Readers 8am: 1st Elizabeth Allinson 2nd Rhonda Evans

10am: 1st Sarah Gowty 2nd Jean Pound

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Hardy Palethorpe and Leighton Mann

Morning Tea: 10am Washington and Margaret

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked 27/7/04 Envelopes and Loose \$822.70, EFT \$345
Pandora's \$121.70, St Philip's Care (Northbourne Community) \$20,
Missions (mid winter lunch) \$150

Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket. With thanks!

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

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