

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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[In memory of Mohammed Mussa Nazari](#) <http://members.optusnet.com.au/hazara/mussa.htm>

Death of a returned asylum seeker.

The struggle of the people against power is the struggle of memory against forgetting. - Milan Kundera,
Czech author

Rural Australians for Refugees are having a conference at Albury in February (2004)

<http://members.westnet.com.au/jackhsmit/albury-2004.htm>

Sunday 8th February 2004
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



Peter and the fish

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Isa 6: 1-8 (9-13)
- Psalm 8 APBA p.119
- 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
- Luke 5: 1-11

Hymns: TIS 132, 86 for psalm), 464, 598, 554
Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes

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.

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

Aaah!!! Summer is here at last! These days in the high thirties remind me of my childhood summers in Adelaide where for days on end the temperature would be this hot with little respite at night. Fortunately we lived near the beach at Somerton Park, but we allowed the visitors use of the beach in the day, and we went swimming very early and in the evening. It was a great life and these baking hot day's bring it all back to me! Through the day we would close windows and curtains and keep as cool as possible in front of the fan. (Air conditioning was a luxury for the idle rich.) Of course after a week of hot weather the house would heat up and there was no escape except in the evenings when people would

move their TV sets out onto the front lawn. We would walk to the beach and see TV after TV (black and white of course) tuned to one of the three channels available. Aaah! What memories. Or have I got heat stroke?

The Multicultural Festival is upon us adding to the many outdoor summer concerts with an amazing array of productions and performers. I continue to ponder how fortunate we are to live in a stable and peaceful society and where we can discover something of the wonderful richness of cultures other than our own. I am sure that it is the fear of losing one's culture with what seems to be an Americanisation or at least a Westernisation of the world which is partly responsible for growing nationalism and even terrorism. It is unfortunate with the international movements of business trade and technology that cultures are often affected. It is heartening to have so many cultural traditions on display and to see even the revival of cultural traditions to preserve them from extinction. I am always encouraged to hear of our own aboriginal people reviving cultural understanding.

We continue to hear the fallout over the reasons for going to war in Iraq and it baffles me that there seems to be gaps emerging even between the intelligence agencies in the USA. I am wondering if the revealing of Janet Jackson's breast at the Superbowl game was deliberately arranged to get peoples minds off weapons of mass destruction. My other theory is that it was a planned move by the women of America to divert the attention of men from football to what is really important the cost and quality of women's clothing!!! (This would never happen to an item from Pandora's)

As we continue through Epiphany we find Jesus the carpenter's son giving fishing lessons.... to a fisherman!! Yes Peter, like all of us, needs to find out that we are sometimes called to do things differently even when we think we know. The event leads Peter to an awareness of his own weakness and sin. Still --- Jesus calls him with all his frailty to follow and to be an agent for the Kingdom of God.

Rob Lamerton

WE PRAY FOR:

Those in need of healing: Zara Mann, Elizabeth Sillano, Zana (in Baxter Detention Centre), Sarona, Irene Keast, Rowan Gray, Merv

McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Athol and Thelma Barratt, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase, also Malvina, Mark and Kimberley.
The Departed: Gudrun Else Whalley (d. 2/2/2000), Sydney Henry Bovis (d. 3/2/93), Harry Victor Cousins (d. 3/2/74)
The Saints: The Saints: Anskar, missionary bishop in Sweden (d. 865); Martyrs of Japan, crucified at Nagasaki, (d. 1597)

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Morning Tea:

Readers:

8am: Rhonda Evans

10am: Beryl Gowty 1st Ann Munro 2nd

Sidespeople:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Hardy Palethorpe & Leighton Mann

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

SUNDAY 15th February 2004 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Jer 17:5-10

Psalm 1

1 Cor: 15: 12-20

Lk 6:17-26

THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's Day Off

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

Tuesday: 9-30am Clergy One Day Conference - St John's Reid

7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday: 10.00am Holy Communion

Friday: 10am-1pm Pandora's Open

Saturday: 10am-1pm Pandora's Open

Rosters:

Morning Tea:

Readers 8am: Carola Parke

10am: David Gowty 1st Denise Manley 2nd

Sidespersons:

8am: Norm Davey

10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson

Flowers: Carola Parke

NOTICES

Farewell Drinks for Beryl and David Gowty.

The Cousins invite everybody to drinks at 15 Hobbs St. O'Connor on Sunday 22 February from 5 to 7pm. Dress is tropical in keeping with their South Sea destination. Please rsvp to 6247 4928 by 20 February to assist catering.

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Lent is that time of preparing ourselves to travel with Jesus to the cross with repentance (returning to God) fasting (mastering our own desires and materialism) works of mercy (caring for others) and acts of generosity (by giving to good causes Anglican Board of Missions or another).

Ash Wednesday is the 25th February.

On that day there will be Holy Communion at 10.00am and 7.30 pm. There will be an opportunity for us to place our old palm crosses as well as our lists of sins and shortcomings in the fire for the ashes.

As well as the usual Lent Study at 11.00am on Wednesday I would like to run a film series with discussion on Wednesdays at 8.00pm OR Sundays over a light lunch. Please let me know the most suitable time!

Ecumenical Lent Study "Ambassadors of Hope"
Ecumenical studies will be held at St Joseph's on Tuesdays from 10.00am 12.00 noon and at O'Connor Uniting on Wednesdays from

Parish Camp dates:

The Parish Camp will be at "Greenhills" conference centre from Friday 26th to Sunday 28th March. The program will allow for day attendance on Saturday and Sunday for those unable to stay overnight. Please indicate your interest to Janine Studholme or Hardy Palethorpe. We must have a clear idea of the number attending by early in March.

Parish Hall - New Security Arrangements - see the procedure in the vestry.

VACANCIES EXIST ON THE FOLLOWING ROSTERS:

Readers Coordinator Denise Manley 62542838

Morning Tea Still a couple of Sundays vacant

Flowers - Coordinator Sandra Lamerton 6161 8606

'Pandora's at O'Connor' Coordinator Sandra Lamerton 6161 8606

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked Envelopes and Loose \$720.10 plus EFT \$320

Pandora's \$205 Trading Table \$35.75

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

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