

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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Wardens: Chris Cheah, Janine Studholme, | [Home](#) | [Newsletters](#) | [readings and diocesan prayers until Easter](#) | [Grapevine](#) |

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 7th March 2004,
Second Sunday in Lent**



Lights along the Road!

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Genesis 15. 1-12, 17-18
- Psalm 27
- Philippians 3. 17 - 4. 1
- Luke 13. 1-9

Hymns: TIS 121, 15 (for Psalm), 212, 539, 554

Organist (10.00am): Colin Forbes.

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

This years Parish Camp is only three weeks away and we are well below the required number attending! We really need to know today if you are coming to the camp so that we can confirm or cancel our booking! Please make sure you put your name on the list today for the two nights or day visit.

Last weeks Annual General Meeting was well attended and discussion about the various reports was positive. The issue of a meditation group was again raised after little action last year. Anyone interested in forming a meditation group should talk to me or to Chris Cheah so that we can work out the practicalities and a suitable time.

The Intinction Cup raised the most discussion and it seemed a pretty evenly balanced debate with about half in favour of the present practice and half in favour of a return to the use of the two "common" cups. A survey will be available with some information will help us to come to a decision. Until Jeannette Mc Hugh mentioned this to us last year the issue had never been raised so I am tempted to believe that a return to two chalices would not be so much of a problem. Still I will await the outcome of the survey!

Other issues which raised discussion were the firming up of

proposals for additions and changes to our buildings (toilets, office/music space and Pandora's) the possibility of placement of an Anglicare bin on our site and the need to fill vacancies on Parish Council. Thankfully Devin Combs Bowles has agreed to accept nomination as Warden and Synod Rep. and Denise Manley has offered for nomination as Parish Councillor. Let us finalise these nominations today for the electoral meeting on 21st March at 9.30am.

The combined Parish Council(s) meet on Tuesday at 7.30pm at the Rectory for a handing over meeting.

On this Second Sunday of Lent the gospel reading reports the Transfiguration where Jesus is seen in glorious shining appearance. I often wondered why the Transfiguration story is used here but then I realized that it really marks the beginning of Jesus' journey to the cross. The brightness of the event is an experience the disciples can hold on to on the difficult journey ahead. So often when our faith journey seems difficult we need to hold on to and reflect on those bright moments.

The journey of Lent reflects the journey of life. We need to catch those glimpses of God's glory in life's special moments because they are indeed glimpses into the eternal and give us hope.

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: Daphne Lois Hall (d.5/3/95)

The Saints: David, bishop of Menevia, Wales (d.601); Chad, bishop of Litchfield (d.672).

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Morning Tea: Dimitri and Kate

Readers:

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

10am: Joyce Webster 1st; Washington Oloo 2nd

Sidespeople:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris Cheah and Roger Sharp)

THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's Day Off

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

Tuesday:

- 11.00am Area Deans meeting with bishop
- 7.30pm Parish Council meeting

Wednesday: 10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday:

- 9.30am Marriage preparation
- 8.00pm Marriage Preparation

Friday:

- 10am-1pm Pandora's Open
- 10.30am ANU Chaplaincy Holy Communion

Saturday:

- 10.00am Wedding Liz McKinney and Patrick Awili-Jandara
- 10am-1pm Pandora's Open

SUNDAY 14 MARCH 2004 Third Sunday in Lent

8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion

Readings:

Isaiah 55.1-9

Psalm 63.1-9

1 Corinthians 10.1-13

Luke 13. 31-35

Rosters:

Morning Tea: Washington Oloo & Margaret Woodbridge

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

10am: Steven Billett 1st Dimitri Markotsis 2nd.

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Denise Manley & Dimitri Markotsis

Flowers: None in Lent

NOTICES

Parish Camp:

The Parish Camp will be at "Greenhills" conference centre from Friday 26th to Sunday 28th March. The program allows for day attendance on Saturday and Sunday for those unable to stay overnight. Please indicate your interest on the list in the porch today! Confirmed bookings and payment will be required by 14th March.

FAMILY BARBECUE

Families with young children are invited to a barbecue next Sunday at 11.30am (to finish about 1.00pm). Meat and salad provided but please bring food and drink to add to the collection! The kindergarten playground will be open for use.

LENTEN STUDY

Wednesday at 11.00am in the Rectory after the Eucharist.
Study "The Potter God" by bishop Graeme Rutherford.ss
Ecumenical Lent Study "Ambassadors of Hope". Ecumenical studies will be held at St Joseph's on Tuesdays from 10.00am - 12.00noon and at O'Connor Uniting on Wednesdays from 7.30-9.00pm. Copies of the "Ambassadors of Hope" available.

ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED:

Washington Oloo is presently staying at Toad Hall at the ANU but needs rental accommodation when his wife Katherine arrives in a few weeks time. If you can help or know of anyone who can please let me know.

Also needed for a mature age female student from Goulburn - accommodation for two nights per week. Let me know if you can help!

CLEANING ROSTER

Can you clean the church one weekend every two months? Some reserves are required for the roster! Let Rob know for rostering!

Global Warming: Christian perspectives, Christian responses.

The ACT Churches Council is supporting a workshop at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, 15 Blackall St, Barton, 500-

9.00pm Tuesday 16th March (\$5 waged, 52 unwaged) to enable Christians to develop a better understanding of the Christian issues flowing from our place in Creation, in this case, specifically, "How should we respond to the issue of Global Warming? It will cover issues including: "What is predicted to happen" "What is the Christian basis for our response?" "What effect will it have on communities at risk?" What is the church doing about it'. "What should I do about it?" For more information go to <http://www.pastornet.au/envcomm/>

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A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR MISSION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Weetangera Primary School has the only weekly Religious Education program in the ACT and will be starting soon for 2004. We have lost some key members of our Ecumenical team and are looking for some new RE teachers. The lessons are 1.30-2.00pm on Wednesdays and the material used is 'Religion in Life' (from Victoria). Please register your interest (even as a helper) with Chris Ellis 6254 0262.

Advanced warning: Jesuit seminar (Fr Frank Brennan)

Thursday 25 March 7.30 pm

A FAIR GO IN AN AGE OF TERROR

Countering the Terrorist Threat to Human Rights and the Australian Identity

A panel discussion will follow Fr Brennan's paper

The Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture,
15 Blackall St, Barton

VACANCIES EXIST ON THE FOLLOWING ROSTERS:

Flowers: Coordinator Sandra Lamerton 61618606

'Pandora's at O'Connor': Coordinator Sandra Lamerton 61618606

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked 1/3/04 Envelopes and Loose \$481.60 plus EFT \$320

Pandora's \$223.10 Wedding \$100 Kindergarten Rent \$1761.60

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.
