

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 28th March 2004,
Fifth Sunday in Lent**



Footwashing

8.00am & 10.00am Holy Communion APBA p119

Readings:

- Isaiah 43:16-21
- Psalm 126
- Philippians 3:3-14
- John 12:1-8

Hymns: TIS: 590 (Tune Scarlet Ribbons), 177 (tune 514), 586, 599 (tune ii), 547
Organist (10.00am): Meg Colwell
after the sermon Linda sang the Sydney Carter song "Judas and Mary"
[words are on the Lenten Calendar for this [Fifth Sunday in Lent.](#)]

From Rob

Hi Everybody!

While some of us are taking it easy on our Parish Camp at the Greenhills Conference Centre and reflecting on future directions for our parish community, there will I trust, still be a band of faithful worshipers at St Philip's! I'm sure you will make Ken Batterham welcome as he presides at the Eucharist and preaches today. I'm also confident that you will value his ministry in my absence! Ken was ordained while still employed in the Public Service and after moving out of that work has served in a number of parishes and ministries. Presently Ken is R.A.N. chaplain at HMAS Harman.

I am grateful to Linda Anchell for staying behind to assist with the worship at 10.00am. I must also point out that Linda is our Website Manager! I am sure she would value your insights about the site and some thoughts about what else could be included. If you have not done so please get onto the Internet and click onto <http://www.acay.au/~stphil> to find out about us. You can also look up last weeks sermon (just in case the press misquote me!). Some people have had difficulty logging on to the website because somehow the address was "Lost in Translation ". The little dash before 'stphil' should be a squiggle (top key left side of your keyboard). Thanks Linda.'

Well I finally got around to seeing "The Passion of the Christ " and mostly I thought it was a good portrayal of the events surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus. There were some parts I thought were a little melodramatic. The scene in the Garden of Gethsemane in a very physical struggle about his task was I thought overdone as well as the torment of Judas. I did not think it was anti Semitic but then I have never blamed any particular ethnic, religious or racial group for the death of Jesus. What it showed was the way in which evil can take hold -- self interest, weakness, political expediency and plain old mob rule. In the movie the scourging of Jesus seemed to me to be enough to kill him without having to face the cross as well! There were other little touches which did not match the scriptural record or historical knowledge but generally I thought it would give most people a better insight into the crucifixion story.

This week's gospel pictures Jesus drawing near to Jerusalem. At Bethany, Jesus eats with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. The pure emotion of this story is powerful. Mary's love is a mixture of gratitude for her brother's life restored, grief for the danger facing Jesus and I think of her own feelings for her friend. It proves to be a sign of what is to come because Mary has grasped what it means to be a disciple and washes feet even before Jesus does so with the twelve. It also points to the death of Jesus as the ultimate service of one who "lays down his life for his friends". Is John in his version of the gospel saying that Mary has come to understand what the others do not?

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: David Thomas Linaker (d.29/03/96)

The Saints: Thomas Ken, bishop of Bath and Wells, teacher (d.1711), Paul Couturier, ecumenist, (d.1953), Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador (d.1980), martyr.

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Morning Tea: Ann, Bridget and Claire
Readers 8am: Joyce Webster 1st Mark Boyle 2nd.
10am: Ann Munro 1st Linda Anchell 2nd.
Sidespersons:
8am: Ian Rischbieth
10am: Volunteers required

THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's Day Off
Tuesday to Friday: 9am Morning Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer
Tuesday: 10.30am Kankinya - Holy Communion and Home
Communions
Wednesday: 10.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Lent Study
Friday: 10am-1pm Pandora's Open
10.30am ANU Chaplaincy Holy Communion
Saturday: 10am-1pm Pandora's Open

SUNDAY 4 APRIL 2004 Passion (Palm) Sunday in Lent

8.00am and 10.00am Holy Communion
7-30pm St John Passion, (JS Bach), presented by CAMRA and St Philip's
- admission \$15 each

Readings:

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

Rosters:

Morning Tea: Dimitri and Kate

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

10am: Beryl Holder 1st; Chris Cheah 2nd

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris Cheah and Roger Sharp; Volunteers required

Flowers: None in Lent

NOTICES

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.

Holy Week and Easter 2004 Programme

- 4 April, Palm Sunday
 - 8am Holy Communion
 - 10am Eucharist and procession in the courtyard,
 - 7-30pm St John's Passion - admission \$15 (see [CAMRA St John Passion](#))
- 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

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- 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.

Letterbox leaflets

Delivery areas and maps are available. Please list your name against your delivery area to avoid doubling up!

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 Palm Sunday 10am (8 or 9 readers) and for Good Friday (8 readers). Please put your name on the lists in the porch.

CLEANING ROSTER

Is out now! Please Collect!

Weekly Offering Required \$1565
Offerings banked 22/3/04 Envelopes and

Loose \$565.50, EFT \$320 Pandora's
\$221.15 Wedding \$200

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

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