

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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Sunday 10 October 2004 **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**



8.00am & 10.00am - Holy Communion

Readings:

- Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
- Psalm 66:1-11
- 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Luke 17:11-19

Hymns: Together in Song: 687, 36 (for psalm), 575, 474, 595 (t15)
Organist: Meg Colwell

From Rob

Hi Everyone,

By now we will have voted for members of the House of Representatives and for the Senate. I imagine the final outcome of the election will be still unclear for some time. We still pray for all candidates and especially those who will be elected. It is I think a great blessing that we can go through an election campaign peacefully even though there is great strength of feeling, energy, and opposing view. I for one am grateful that the direction of the campaign was very much about finding ways to better provide for the people of Australia. A robust political stoush which gives us some choices and makes us think about what might be best for this country must be a good thing!

Next week is our Parish Fete and of course we vote again! This time for the members of the ACT Assembly! I must confess it has been difficult getting my thinking around the ACT elections and local political issues. I am trusting that between getting ready for the St Philip's Fete and the other events of the week I can take time to reflect on the important issues facing the ACT.

The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia has been sitting in Perth this week! One of the main topics has been the consecration of women as bishops. You will now know that the Synod could not agree to proceed! This has created a situation where the legal right of an individual diocese to proceed will need to be put to the test. Our own synod agreed that we should proceed when necessary to consecrate a woman and that the possible legal ramifications should be examined. We will wait and see! One of the issues in the debate is the interpretation of Scripture and the Archbishop of Sydney pointed out that we would find ourselves at odds with parts of the church where the bible is interpreted more conservatively. Quite often those who do not read the Bible literally are painted as not believing the Bible at all! I thought Bishop Jeff Driver responded well when he said on national radio that he too read his bible but he came to a different conclusion about the possible consecration of women as bishops.

Last week in the reading from Lamentations and the Psalm we heard about the anxiety of the people of Jerusalem taken captive into Babylon. It brought to mind the stories of people I know who have

had to leave their homes and begin again in a new place. How difficult that must be! Jeremiah's letter in the first reading today says "Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage". Get on with life, seek the welfare of the city where God has sent you, pray for it, for your welfare is dependent on its welfare! Jeremiah counsels against a corporate gloom encouraging faith and life. The lepers in the gospel story appear to have overcome racial and religious differences in their common suffering and in their approach to Jesus. Their feisty behaviour and faith despite illness is rewarded but gratitude is lacking!

Rob Lamerton

NOTICES

Parish Fete --- 9am -1pm, Saturday 16 October
See foyer notice board for details of how to help and sign up today!

Stall managers and helpers are still needed!

Fete Preparation today! There will be a Rake and Tidy up of the church grounds after church today for about an hour!

Coordinators/stall managers are still needed for the Bar B Que, the Plants Stall and the Raffle

Raffle - Quality food and drink items are needed for the Raffle!
Place them in the basket today

Items for the fete are still needed! Please drop them off this week!

Better bits are wanted for the fete - china, ornaments, embroidery, jewel boxes, etc.

Ring Kerry Anne Cousins, Phone 6247 4928

The Annual St Mark's Public Lecture
"GOD and the infinitely comic: in faith and humour". by Dr
Heather Thomson
Thursday 14 October at 7-30pm. Sponsored by Charles Sturt
University
For further details www.stmarksntc.org.au

Parish Electoral Meeting

9.00am Breakfast; 9-30am Meeting, Sunday 24 October
Please see Foyer notice board for details regarding positions and
nominations. Please talk to me or to one of the wardens if you are able to
serve on Parish Council.

Hear the Melanesian Brothers from the Solomon Islands

Friday 15th October 7-30pm at Lyneham Uniting Church Hall
Further information -St Johns 6248 8399; Lyneham 6248 9198
(remembering the ten brothers murdered in the Solomon's on the
Weather Coast.)

Woden Christian Bookshop

The Bookshop is delighted to announce the appointment of Mr
Phillip West as Manager.

The Spring Sale is now on - 50% off retail prices for a great
many selected items.

There is still an urgent need for volunteer sales staff for shifts
on Monday morning and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
afternoons. Please phone the bookshop on 6285 1425.

**I believe the modelling talent scouts were seen at the
Pandora's fashion Parade yesterday and that some are
considering careers in the fashion industry after their taste of**

success!

Gilbert and Sullivan; "The Sorcerer" CAMRA's Annual Show
November 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 25th, 26th, 27th, at 8.00pm
ADMISSIONS: Adults \$25, Concessions and Groups of 10 or more
\$20, Children and card carrying students \$15
Enquiries and Bookings ph 6249 6067

WE PRAY FOR:

Ashton Robinson in Iraq

Those in need of healing: Juan Sillano, Belinda Ketley, Shirley Barrett, Eric Mahoney, Linda Kennedy, Bryan Little, Ruth Horn (Elizabeth Sillano's mother), Zana, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase.

[More information about Zana and other detention centre issues at [Baxter.html](#) and [Nauru.html](#)]

The departed: Rej Allinson (d.11/10/02); Francis of Assisi, friar and preacher (d.1226); William Tyndale, biblical scholar (d.1536)

TODAY'S ROSTER:

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

10am: 1st Denise Manley 2nd Pat Forbes

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Leighton Mann and Hardy Palethorpe
Morning Tea: 10am Washington Oloo and Margaret Woodbridge

THIS WEEK

Monday: Rob's day off

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

Tuesday: 10.30am Holy Communion at Kankinya

Wednesday: 10am Holy Communion

7.30pm Parish Council at the Rectory

Thursday: 6.00pm Meal, Study and Meditation group going to St Mark's 7-30pm

Friday: 10.00am -1.00pm Pandora's Open

Saturday: 9am -1.00pm **FETE**

SUNDAY 10th October 2004

8am and 10am Holy Communion

Readings:

- Jeremiah 31:27-34
- Psalm 119:97-104
- 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5
- Luke 18:1-14

Rosters:

Cleaning: Barbara Dowley

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

Readers 8am: 1st Mark Boyle 2nd Carola Parke

10am: 1st Jean Pound 2nd Washington Oloo

Sidespersons:

8am: Norm Davey

10am: Grace Barnes and Peter Andersson

Morning Tea: 10am Rhyana and Amanda

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked 05/10/04 Envelopes and Loose \$564, EFT \$345
Pandora's \$65.30, Photocopying \$31.50, Rent P & C Forbes \$500

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

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

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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