

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



a farmer went out sowing

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 10th July 2005

8am and 10am Eucharist, 5-30pm Evening Service
The Eucharist is found on page 119 of the Green Prayer Book

Readings:

- Genesis 25: 19-34
- Psalm 119: 105-112 page 355
- Romans 8: 1-11
- Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23;

At 10.00am Hymns: Together in Song; 121, 447, 414, 531 (repeat v1)
Organist: Julian Clarke

Greetings Everyone,

The terrorist bombings in London this week and indeed all acts of terrorism must be condemned as we pray for those grieving and injured! I think too that Londoners have been well served by the emergency response teams of police, fire brigades, ambulance and hospitals. We pray that the response by authorities will be thorough and fair and that people will avoid seeking their own revenge. In no way must we allow terrorism to flourish, nor should we provoke it! As we ponder the events in London it is easy to overlook the fact that on the same day in Iraq 13 people died and 30 were injured in bombings. The thing to remember is that in Iraq this occurs ALMOST EVERY DAY!

Unfortunately the people of the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Australia and a number of other countries are involved in the war on terrorism whether we like it or not. We may view the events in London as simple terrorism but those who committed these terrible acts will see their actions as a legitimate response in this war. Where exactly is the line between war and terrorism?

The meeting of the leaders of the G8 (the eight wealthiest) nations has agreed to give considerable aid to African nations but has failed to agree that the issue of climate change is an urgent issue. It seems that aid to Africa will be based on cranking up the economies of the G8 and that we will be told that "growth is good" for the sake of Africa and the developing nations! Don't get me wrong, I believe we owe it to the peoples of Africa to give assistance where it is needed! However, as one who believes that the resources of the world are finite, it may need for us to slow our rate of development in order to take pressure off the environment and to provide for those in need.

Like last week, the gospel reading today includes those words from Jesus "let anyone with ears listen". The whole story about the sower and the seed is about the willingness to be receptive to the "seed" which is the "word of the kingdom". Last week's gospel ended with an invitation to let the Lord share our load. This week Jesus' call to listen ends with the challenge that being receptive means to become a part of the harvest of God and to bear fruit. A standard harvest might produce a seven to tenfold gain (seven to ten grains per head) but Jesus points to a yield of a hundred, sixty or thirty fold. Genuine reception of the seeds of the kingdom means a much better than average return on the life God gives!

Rob Lamerton

Weekly offering/income required to operate our Parish \$1455

(Excluding rental income)

Offerings received 26/6/05: \$981.65, EFT \$345, Trading Table \$13.10
Shortfall this week: \$115.25

Notices

Sunday Evening Services at St Philip's 5.30pm

Cleaners are needed for St Philip's Cleaning Roster!

There are gaps on the weekends 23rd and 30th July Please contact Janine Studholme 6241 5894

Child Protection Workshop 30th July.

The workshop is fully booked! Please let me know if you are planning to attend.

Recruiting Team Leaders for the Twilight Fair

[November 5th]

Can you handle the promotional duties for the Twilight Fair, or coordinate all the requirements to run several raffles?

Team Leaders for these areas are now required so that proper planning and organization of these aspects of the Fair can take place without last minute panic.

All support will be provided by members of the church council and you can recruit your friends to assist.

By sharing the jobs involved in planning this event we can make the load easy for everyone. Please consider if you would like to take on one or other of these tasks.

If you want to know what's involved check out the Twilight Fair board or speak to Helen 6248 8030(h) or paletho@pcug.org.au

Book Month — Please start selecting and dusting off your books for the book stall!

Better Bits — Items of jewellery, small pieces of bric-a-brac to sell such as ornaments, small purses, frames, nice cups and

saucers, ornamental plates, false teeth (only kidding!) vases, etc.
Please pass on to Kerry-Anne Cousins for presentation. Also
looking for help with this stall. Kerry-Anne Cousins 6247 4928

Rabbi Jonathan Keren Black — The Centre for Progressive Religious Thought

Rabbi Black is at the Leo Baeck Centre for Progressive Judaism in Melbourne, and a recent participant in Jewish-Christian-Muslim Conferences. At 7.45pm Thursday, 14 July 2005, at St James' Church Centre, 40 Gillies St Curtin. \$5 (members), \$8 (others).

Contact Revd Rex A E Hunt Ph 6281 7419 or email:

rexae@optusnet.com.au

Seniors workshops

Covering these topics: falls prevention, gentle exercise, elder abuse!
18th July at St Thomas More's Hall, White St, Campbell. Lunch provided.

Contact Gail or Judy on 6295 4300 Fax 6239 7171 email

gail.carter@centacare-canberra.org

RSVP by 14th July. More information on the notice board!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY - MURDER MYSTERY — set in July 1984, famous author Watt A. Hack has invited friends, new and old, to a Christmas in July Dinner to celebrate the launch of his latest novel. (Naturally ABBA music will be provided). Christmas in July Dinner, MC CEO Anglicare Community Services Ian Marshall on Friday 22 July from 7pm. At St Mary in the Valley Anglican Church, Were St Calwell, in support of Anglicare's Calwell Community Centre. Cost \$25 pp (discounts for children). Three course meal, character and mystery details provided - players and observers welcome. Bookings by Tuesday 19 July, through Calwell Community Centre 62914300.

Thank you :-)

— Memorial Garden —

The garden looks great after a couple of hours work by Shirley Barrett

— Thanks Shirley!

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

WE PRAY FOR:

The World

Those who have lost loved ones or are injured and traumatized following the bombings in London. Give thanks for the outcomes of the G8 meeting that they may bring hope to those who live in poverty and to nations in debt in Africa.

Those in need of healing: Ed Austrums, Luke Tarlington, Emily Colman, Rebecca Bowman, Faye Gibbons, Phoebe Gordon, Stella Cheah, Chris Nicol, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Glen Burns, Linda Kennedy, Bryan Little, Ruth Horn, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase, Ed, Malcolm, Sylvia.

Those who mourn: Elizabeth Sillano and her mother Ruth Horn and their family at the death of Albert.

The departed: Give thanks for the life of Albert Horn (Elizabeth Sillano's father)

The Saints: John Fisher and Thomas More, martyrs (d.1535)

On the web: [Anglican Cycle of Prayer](#) and the [Diocesan Cycle of Prayer](#)

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Cleaning: Janine and Stephen

Flowers: Val Reeves

Readers:

8am: 1st Rhonda Evans 2nd Elizabeth Allinson

10am: 1st Stephen Billett 2nd Ann Munro

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Leighton & Hardy

THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday – Saturday** 7.15am & 5pm
Morning/Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Holy Communion at
Kankinya
- **Wednesday** 10.00am Holy Communion
7-30pm Parish Council at the Rectory
- **Thursday** Meal, Study and Meditation Group
- **Friday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Joyce
and Sandra
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Ann
Munro

SUNDAY 17th July 2005 8am & 10am Eucharist 5.30pm Evening Service

Readings:

- Genesis 28: 10-19a
- Psalm 139: 1-11, 23-24 page 370
- Romans 8: 12-25
- Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

Rosters:

Cleaning: Shane and Time Woodburn

Flowers: Carola Parke and Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

Readers:

8am: 1st Vanessa Tatham 2nd David Brooking

10am: 1st Brian McKinlay 2nd Richard Wade

Sidespersons:

8am: Clive Lowes

10am: Grace & Peter

Morning Tea 10am: James & Brian

Pandora's income last week was spent on acquiring stock!

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

Priest: Rev. Rob Lamerton. Ph 62478004 Fax 62307775

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Wardens: Devin Combs Bowles, Richard Wade, Sarah Gowty

