

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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He is Risen!

EASTER DAY Sunday 27th March 2005

- **6.00am Lighting of the New Fire**
- **7.00am Eucharist with Hymns**
- **8.00am Celebration Breakfast**
- **10.00am Sung Eucharist**

setting: Michael Dudman - Together in Song 756
The service is found on page 119 of the Green Prayer Book

Readings:

- Acts 10:34-43
- *for the psalm* Hymn to the Risen Christ - page 6
- Colossians 3: 1-4

- Matthew 28: 1-10

At 7.00am Hymns: TIS: 387, 390, 393, 242
Organist at 7am: Meg Colwell

At 10.00 am Hymns: TIS: 360 (pt 1), 370, 393, 242
Singers: Alison Knight, Annette Gaykema, & Rob Clayton
Organist at 10am: Adam Laslett

*Introit: Plainsong — Resurrexi, et adhuc tecum sum, alleluia:
(I am risen, and I am always with you, alleluia;)*

Easter Greeting: Colin Forbes

During Communion: The Motet: "Victoria, Christo Resurgenti" by
Francois Couperin (1668-1733)
"Jubilate Deo" by Agostini Agazzari (1578-1640)

From Rob:

Greetings Everyone!

At Easter we proclaim that Christ is Risen! In the life of Jesus we saw the life of God breaking forth into the lives of people whom Jesus touched spoke to or healed. We most profoundly recognised that in his suffering and death on the cross and today we see that life of God bursting forth unable to be contained by death. Today we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and through the Easter season we reflect on the various stories and experiences of the Risen Christ among his people.

The exact nature of Jesus' resurrection appearances is very difficult to explain except that we appear to have a blurring of the different realms of existence. Jesus is not still human nor is he completely absent! In some cases he is recognisable and in other cases is not and he appears and disappears. We will never fully understand the nature of Jesus resurrection appearances except that they profoundly affected those who were his friends.

As I think about it the members of our parish family who spoke about their "Confidence in Christ" through Lent all expressed something of their own resurrection experience which was also manifest in some way in healing in their lives. Chris Cheah took us on a journey "Desert Walking" to discover some of his experience of meditation and walking with Christ. Sarah Gowty shared her personal journey into understanding her faith and deepening her awareness of Christ and experiencing healing. Stephen Billett shared his own

experience of Christ as the one to go to for peace and healing. Linda Anchell shared her experience of the Church being the place of acceptance and care rather than judgement and hurt. Each expressed that sense of resurrection and healing but in very different journeys which have now of course been woven together into the common journey of our St Philip's family (and the wider Christian family).

In Holy Week I attended the annual clergy Quiet Day and Blessing of Oils. The Oils blessed are those used in the process of Anointing the sacrament of healing or Holy Unction. Please talk to me about the work of God's healing and the possibility of being anointed.

If we have taken Lent and the events of Holy Week seriously and entered into the suffering and death of Jesus by deciding to make some changes in the way we walk with God then Easter will be the celebration of the new life of the resurrection. Some people find it really helpful to make their confession as a way of release from the old and embarking on the new. The cleansing of the church building on Holy Saturday is also symbolic of the cleansing of our souls in preparation for the joy of the resurrection. The hearing of confessions is not limited to Roman Catholic clergy. The Anglican ordination service places great emphasis on the role of a priest in declaring God's forgiveness. It may be that this is the way for you to discover God's forgiveness on the way to better knowing the Risen Christ.

Rob Lamerton.

Notices

CAMRA Garage Sale — Saturday 2 April 8am

Helpers needed to sort & sell, please tell Leighton or Denise if you can help!

OR

Come along and see what bargains you can find!
Pandora's will be open with a vast array of bargain clothing!

To go directly to the The Lenten Calendar on St Philip's website go to:
<http://www.acay.com.au/~stphil/Lent2005.html>

Thursday night Study and Meditation Group break

With the combination of Easter, university and school holidays etc. the Study and Meditation Group will be taking a break and resume on Thursday 28th April.

PHOTO ALBUM A photo album has been left in the porch for all photos of St Philip's family events. If you have photos of members of St Philip's please include them in the album with some notes about the person and the event.

Our Musicians Today!

It is great to have Rob Clayton, Annette Gaykema and Alison Knight singing for us today and to have Adam Laslett to play for our Easter worship in the absence of Pat and Colin Forbes. It is also a blessing to have Meg Colwell to play for us at 7am and to hear Linda Anchell sing the "Exultet" at the Easter Vigil. (I wish I could sing that well at 6.15am!)

Paschal Candle

Many thanks to Linda Anchell who so wonderfully decorated the new Paschal Candle!

The candle is lit on Easter Day to symbolise the Light of the Risen Christ among us in this Easter Season. The candle burns at the front of the Church until Ascension Day when it is moved to the font where it is out of sight but still burning in our midst. The candle remains at the font where it is used to light the candles of those baptised. The Light of Christ in the newly baptised!

I hope you were well fed at the wonderful Celebration Breakfast this morning. Thanks Leighton!



Fundraising matinee performance

Saturday 2 April 2005, 2pm at the The Playhouse, Canberra Theatre Centre, Civic Square, London Circuit.

This promotion is a fundraiser for the Refugee Action Committee (RAC) Canberra, and Rural Australians for Refugees (Bowral), kindly offered by the Canberra Theatre Centre.

RAC will be selling tickets to the performance at \$45 per person, with a concession price of \$35. This particular performance will include a brief introduction by the Refugee Action Committee (ACT) and Rural Australians for Refugees (Bowral) of the work each organisation does, and an afternoon tea in the Canberra Museum and Gallery next door with the main actor, Shahin Shafei (who is an asylum seeker on a temporary protection visa), speaking.

The bookings contact is Paul Oboohov, 02 6240 9446 (w), 0417 048 217 (m), 02 6255 3820 (h & fax), and email paul.oboohov@dest.gov.au. Paul will endeavour to transmit tickets to those who have paid either in person (he works in the Department of Education, Science and Training at 16 Mort St, Civic, ACT; the foyer guard can be asked to contact him on internal ph 39446, or ask for an external phone line to contact his mobile number), by mail, or at the door just prior to the performance.

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

WE PRAY FOR:

Give thanks for an informal ceasefire between Palestinian groups and Israeli forces.

The establishment of representative Government in Iraq.

The people of Kyrgystan and for the peaceful transition of power.

For those remembering and rebuilding three months after the tsunami.

Those in need of healing: Owen Dowling, Phoebe Gordon, Enid Forbes (Colin's mother), Stella Cheah, Chris Nicol, Margaret McEwan, Nell, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Glen Burns, Linda Kennedy, Bryan Little, Ruth Horn, Sarena, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase, Sylvia.

The departed:

TODAY'S ROSTER:

Cleaning: volunteers

Readers:

7am: 1st Denise Manley 2nd Shane Woodburn

10am: 1st Ann Munro 2nd Linda Anchell

Sidespersons:

7am: Ian Rischbieth

10am: Helen, Brian & James

Morning Tea 10am: Ann Munro & Helpers

THIS WEEK

- **Monday** Rob's Day off.
- **Tuesday – Saturday** 7am & 5pm Morning/Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Holy Communion at Kankinya
- **Wednesday** 10.00am Holy Communion
- **Friday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Margaret.
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Beryl.

SUNDAY 3rd April 2005 Easter One 8am & 10am Eucharist

Readings:

- Acts 2:14, 22-32
- Psalm 16 - page 234
- 1Peter 1:1-12
- John 20:19-31

Rosters:

Cleaning: Leighton & Ruth

Flowers: Carola Parke & Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

Readers:

7am: 1st Devin COMbs Bowles 2nd John Girdlestone

10am: 1st Beryl Holder 2nd Chris Cheah

Sidespersons:

7am: John Girdlestone

10am: Roger & Chris

Morning Tea 10am: Rhyanna & Amanda

Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked 22/3/05 - Offerings \$683.20, EFT \$345,
Pandoras \$175.40, Use of church \$15.60, Donation \$100

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

Put a link to <http://www.acay.com.au/~stphil/index.html> in your own website or email signature!

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Wardens: Devin Combs Bowles, Richard Wade, Sarah Gowty

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