

# 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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## St Philip's Day 1st May 2005

8am and 10am Eucharist  
The service is found on page 119 of the Green Prayer Book

Also today there is a [leaflet on St Philip.](#)

### Readings:

- Isaiah 30:18-21
- Psalm 19:1-6 page 239
- 1 Corinthians 15:1-8
- John 14: 6-14

At 10.00am Hymns: 150, 93(psalm), 578(t143), 432, 227

**Organist:** Colin Forbes

**Introit:** "May the words of my mouth" (song sheet).

**Prayer Response:** Lord, abide with us. **Come by here Lord** (sung)

**At Communion:** "Come, my way, my truth, my life."

**Blessing:** TIS 779

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Greetings Everyone.

Today we celebrate the life and ministry of our patron saint Philip the Apostle and Martyr! I get annoyed when Philip's name is spelt incorrectly with two Ls! I regularly tell people that we are named after the Philip in the New Testament and not the first Governor of New South Wales (Captain Arthur Phillip) or the suburb Canberra! Usually May 3rd is observed as "St Philip and St James, Apostles and Martyrs" and we conveniently leave James out of the picture. I am grateful to Brian McKinlay for the wonderful leaflet on St Philip however with all that information ...What am I left to write about?

Well first of all I would like to point out just who the James is remembered with Philip! James is most likely "James the Less" or "James the son of Alphaeus" who is listed among the twelve called "Apostles" by Jesus. There are three James' in the New Testament. The two others are — 'the Lord's brother' mentioned in Mark ch.6, 'the Great' apostle the son of Zebedee mentioned often with his brother John and Peter. James is sometimes identified as "James the Lord's brother" but this is unlikely. Apart from these conjectures nothing more is known of James. Our second reading from 1 Corinthians mentions James. This James is most likely the Lord's brother and not the son of Alphaeus. Fortunately we have much more information about Philip in the writings of the Gospel according to John. Please see Brian's leaflet!

I was well and truly ANZACed last weekend and frankly found the whole thing a little overwhelming. I saw my old friend Chaplain Eric Burton (senior Navy Chaplain) at ANZAC Cove and noticed that all he had to do was read some prayers. A free trip to Anzac Cove to say two prayers! What a life!

Last Tuesday there was an article by the Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams in the Canberra Times where he examined the relationship between economy and ecology. He pointed out that so often ecology loses out in favour of economy and the quest for growth. Instead he says ecology should dictate economy because the

ecology is the sum of all we have. I have taken a couple of copies for any interested people. Another very challenging address came from Archbishop Njongonkulu Ndungane at St Georges Cathedral Capetown about the [balance of wealth and trade](#). It is also well worth the read!

*(from the webmaster:*

The article by the Archbishop of Canterbury was from The Independent but follows quite closely this lecture given at Kent University on 8th March 2005.

[http://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/sermons\\_speeches/050308.htm](http://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/sermons_speeches/050308.htm))

Ascension Day on Thursday marks the end of the great 40 days of the Easter celebration and the "going away" of Jesus to the Father. Ascension tells us that Jesus is indeed the Christ (the King) taking his place of authority and rule over all things.

Rob Lamerton

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## Notices

### **Today we celebrate our patron Saint Philip the Apostle.**

A celebration morning tea will follow our worship at 10am!

### **Ecumenical Pentecost Service**

Chapel of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Barton at 3pm on Sunday 15 May.

### **AIDS Candlelight Vigil**

Sunday 15th May at 5.30pm at All Saints Ainslie

### **Thursday Night Study and Meditation Group resumes this Thursday 28th April at 6.00pm**

at Brian and James' place.

### **The Sorcerer Returns**

After causing havoc to many relationships by spiking drinks here at St Philip's last year "The Sorcerer" is returning to create more maniacal mayhem! This time it is for a good cause! Yes Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Sorcerer" will be back on Friday 6th and

Saturday 7th May for a limited season to raise funds for "Operation Hope". The question is "Will he win the Logie?" Come and see his dastardly deeds and witness a terrible justice for this

voluminous villain.  
Both shows start at 8.00pm and cost \$30.

## **Quiet Day replaces PARISH CAMP!**

The camp will **NOT** go ahead on 20-22nd May. "A Quiet Day" is planned for Saturday 21st May at "Bambara" the home of Chris Cheah and Roger Sharpe at Burra.

A notice for expressions of interest is on the notice board!!!  
"What is a quiet day?" You say. It is a day of drawing aside from the regular daily round and does not require silence. It offers the participants the option of sitting quietly or reading or joining in the talks and discussions which will be offered

## **Why do we do what we do?**

At the Parish Vision Days held earlier this year, many felt that "Anglican Tradition" was a strong part of our identity and that we should consolidate and further our understanding of the traditions in our worship. If you have a question about any part of the service or if there is any symbolic item or gesture that you have been wondering about and never got the chance to ask, the opportunity is here! At the back of the church you will find a pen and paper and a box for your questions (anonymously if you wish). Explanations will be provided regularly in the service and pewsheet. Let our education begin!  
(web readers, see the [Anglican web page](#) as well!)

### **Children's Ministry**

As our Diocese expects everyone working with children to attend a Child Protection Workshop I want to encourage us as a parish to make a special effort to help as many as possible to get to the next workshop on 30th July. The Child Protection program is about building safe and caring communities for all ages.

### **St Philip's Family Photo Album**

Please add photos of members of St Philip's and some notes about the people and the events!

### **Peacemaking and Evangelism**

Leaders from the Mennonite Mission Network will be leading the discussion. Monday 9th May at 7.30pm - Canberra Baptist Church in Currie Crescent Kingston.

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

WE PRAY FOR:

The newly formed government in Iraq and all who seek to bring order and stability there. Australian troops as they take up their task. We pray for the people of Vietnam on the 30th anniversary of the end of the war and for all Australian veterans and families who lost loved ones in that conflict.

**Those in need of healing:** Rebecca Bowman Faye Gibbons, Owen Dowling, Phoebe Gordon, Enid Forbes (Colin's mother), 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, Sylvia, Malcolm.

**The departed:** Mark the Evangelist; Philip and James, apostles and martyrs.

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



## TODAY'S ROSTER:

Cleaning: Volunteer

Flowers: Val Reeves

Readers:

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

10am: Denise Manley

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris & Roger

Morning Tea 10am: Rhyanna

## 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  
7.30pm Parish Council
- **Thursday** 6.00pm Meal, Study and Meditation Group at Rectory.
- **Friday** 10am ANU Chaplaincy Communion  
10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Margaret
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Beryl & Pat

## SUNDAY 8 May 2005 St Philip's Day 8am & 10am Eucharist

Readings:

- Acts 1.6-14
- Psalm 68.1-10, 32-35 page 288
- 1 Peter 5
- John 17:1-11

### **Rosters:**

Cleaning: Dimitri Markotsis

Flowers: Carola Parke & Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

Readers:

8am: 1st Rhonda Evans 2nd Elizabeth Allinson

10am: 1st Yasmin or Rick 2nd Joyce Webster

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Hardy & Leighton

Morning Tea 10am: Washington

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Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked 26/04/05 - Offerings \$501.40, EFT \$345,  
Pandoras \$160.65, Wedding \$145, Lent Study books \$34

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

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