

# 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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God our Refuge

## **Second Sunday after Pentecost 29th May 2005**

8am and 10am Eucharist

The service is found on page 119 of the Green Prayer Book

Readings:

- Genesis 6: 9-22; 7:24
- Psalm 46 page 269
- Romans 1: 16-17, 3:21-28
- Matthew 7: 15-29

At 10.00am Hymns: Together in Song; 120, 432, 61, 28 (repeat verse 1  
at end

**Organist:** Colin Forbes

**New Anglican News — A new edition is available! Please take some home!**

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Greetings Everyone!

The sequel to "Lassie Come Home" was played out by 'Pip the brave guard dog' on the streets of Canberra last weekend while the Lamerton family were blissfully ignorant of her fate! Fortunately for our family and unfortunately for potential burglars Pip was returned safely home by her carer Denise Manley. Thanks Denise for giving Pip such an adventurous weekend — we are sure she is a better dog for her experience! We are not sure who gained more grey hairs from the time — Pip or Denise! People have been very kind enquiring first "How is your dog? And by the way — How did the trip to Adelaide go?" So much so that when someone asked – "How was your trip?" I answered "she's fine!" (thinking I had been asked "How's Pip?")

Our trip to Adelaide was a great time of catching up with family and friends. A family dinner on Saturday evening was followed on Sunday by the celebration for the 60th Wedding Anniversary of my parents Bob and Josie Lamerton. So many people we haven't seen for so many years!

Again it is great to have Chris Cheah delivering the address this week! Chris always manages to get us thinking and helps us see things we would otherwise miss! Thanks Chris for getting up early to be here by 8am!

The psalm today begins "God is our refuge and strength a very present help in trouble." In the first reading Noah who "was righteous and walked with God" is called to build and take refuge in the Ark. With his family and two of every living thing as well as every kind of food Noah becomes the way for God to re-create the earth. Just as the waters moved on the face of the earth in the Creation story so too do the waters cover the earth in this story. God begins again with those who have taken refuge in the way God has told them. The reading from Romans requires more than a few lines but essentially it is Paul's argument for a righteousness (a sharing in God's goodness) based on faith rather than obedience to the law. Finally Jesus speaks of those who build their refuge from the storms and disasters of life by opening up to the God who is our refuge.

I suppose we could say that Noah walked with God and in faith was

guided to his refuge from storms and disaster! In so doing he and his family were the agents of God's new beginning! The Church is called to be the Ark providing safety, shelter and refuge in the worlds storms and disasters and leading to new beginnings.

Rob Lamerton

### **Journey of Healing**

National "Sorry Day" has grown to be the Journey of Healing. Most of the events occurred last week but there is still the talk by Jack Thompson on Thursday at 6.00pm in the Great Hall of Parliament House. Enquiries: 6125 6708 RSVP [rsvpthompson@law.anu.edu.au](mailto:rsvpthompson@law.anu.edu.au)

FAITH SEEKING A series at St John's Reid begins TONIGHT! The Rev'd Dr. Scott Cowdell Topic: "Faith, certainty and anxiety". Evening Prayer 6.00pm before lecture.

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## **Notices**

### **Sunday Evening at St Philip's**

After some discussion it was decided that Sunday Evening Services will begin here at St Philip's on Sunday 19th June at 5.30pm. The services will vary in form from said Evening Prayer to times of Prayer and Worship.

### **May is Anglicare Month**

The Anglicare Winter Pantry Appeal urgently needs volunteers to staff the collection point at Woden Plaza. Is it possible to get a team together for a day between now and 9th June? Please contact Dimitri Markotsis.

### **Altar Frontal for St Saviour's Cathedral**

We have been asked to contribute a (very small) piece for the frontal for Diocesan Synod. Kerry Anne Cousins has agreed to coordinate our contribution. If you have artistic sewing and other creative skill and would like to assist please talk to Kerry Anne. The item is to be completed by August 1st.

### **Twilight Fair**

**"SEW-IN"** — Following our 10am Eucharist on 19th June. Lunch provided! Time to make and prepare for the Twilight Fair. There is a box of material and pieces of card in the porch for your

creative energies to be expressed. Bring machines and fabric!  
**Team Leaders** are also being sought! See the Fair notice board to nominate!

**Brian McKinlay - Lay Minister licence**

Brian will assist me to lead worship on 5th June and tell about his faith journey.

**JOHN LANGMORE - THE UN MILLENNIUM GOALS** In 2000 the world agreed to eight goals to fight poverty and improve the environment. How does Australia measure up? What can I do?

**JOHN LANGMORE** was the Federal Member for Fraser from 1984 to 1996. He as Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development at the UN from 1997 to 2001 and then represented the ILO at the UN for two years. Presently he is a Professorial Fellow — Political Science Department at the University of Melbourne.

**THURSDAY JUNE 2 at ACT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FUNCTION ROOM**

London Circuit CIVIC at 6.00pm for Mulled Wine and Quiche, Tea and Coffee Contact: Deb Foskey's office 6205 0161 or

[Foskey@parliament.act.gov.au](mailto:Foskey@parliament.act.gov.au) Kay Reardon 6286 1697 Judith Bailey

**St Mark's Public Lecture**

The next lecture is scheduled for Tuesday 7th June at 7.30 pm.

The Canon Theologian of Westminster Abbey, Professor Nicholas Sagovsky will speak on "Justice and Freedom"

**Some concern has been expressed at the state of the "Memorial Garden". Is there someone willing to get a helper to maintain it?**

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

### WE PRAY FOR:

Those struggling for peace and relief from oppression in Darfur.  
The people and government in Iraq as they establish local authority and security.

Douglas Wood and others held hostage.

**To be baptised today:** Erin Alicia Duncan.

**Those in need of healing:** Luke Tarlington (recovering from surgery: appendix) Rebecca Bowman, Faye Gibbons, Owen Dowling, Phoebe Gordon, Stella Cheah, Chris Nicol, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Glen Burns, Linda Kennedy, Bryan Little, Ruth Horn, Sarena, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase.

**The departed:** Charles Parke (d.31/5/36)

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

### TODAY'S ROSTER:

Cleaning: Volunteer

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

Readers:

8am: Clive Lowes

10am: 1st Jean Pound 2nd Steven Billett

Sidespersons:

8am: Clive Lowes

10am: Hardy Palethorpe & Grace Barnes

Morning Tea 10am: Kerry-Anne & Ian

### THIS WEEK

- **Monday** Rob's Day off.
- **Tuesday – Saturday** 7.15am & 5pm  
Morning/Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Holy Communion at Kankinya
- **Wednesday** 10.00am Holy Communion
- **Thursday** Meal, Study and Meditation Group
- **Friday** 10am ANU Chaplaincy Communion  
10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Margaret
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Beryl & Pat

## SUNDAY 5th June 2005 8am & 10am Eucharist

### Readings:

- Genesis 12: 1-9
- Psalm 33: 1-12 page 252
- Romans 4: 13-25
- Matthew 9: 9-13; 18-26

### **Rosters:**

Cleaning: Leighton & Ruth

Flowers: Val Reeves

Readers:

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

10am: 1st Chris Cheah 2nd Beryl Holder

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Roger & Chris

Morning Tea 10am: Rhyanna & Amanda

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Weekly Offering Required \$1565

Offerings banked 24/05/05 Offerings \$860.20, EFT \$345, Pandoras \$125, Baptism \$100

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

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