

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

At 10.00am Communion bread is administered first, then the small cup for intinction (dipping). The two common cups for sipping follow.

Services on Sunday: 8am and 10am Eucharist, 5-30pm Evening Service. Wednesday HC 10am



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost 2nd October 2005

8am and 10am Eucharist, 5-30pm Evening Service

At 8am The Eucharist begins on page 119 of the green prayer book

At 10.00am the baptism of **Zachary John Howarth** Service begins on page 51.

Readings:

- Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20
- Psalm 19 (Hymn 7)
- Philippians 3
- Matthew 21.33-46

At 10.00am Hymns: Together in Song 433, 7 (for the psalm), 491, 599,
687

Organist: Julian Clarke

Soloist: Rob Clayton

Greetings Everyone,

We welcome Zachary John Howarth in Baptism at the 10.00am Eucharist today. Welcome also to Zachary's parents Barry and Melissa and to his Godparents/Sponsors Troy Howarth and Robyn Gonsior and all who have gathered for the Baptism and family get together. May Zachary grow in the knowledge of the love of Christ!

Baptism is about our choice to be the people of God, disciples and learners of the ways of Jesus enabled by God's Holy Spirit. It is about our values and how we put them into practice every day. When I think of the values of the Christian life I think of forgiveness, truthfulness, celebration, healing, peacemaking etc. etc. May, we encourage Zachary, and each [person] in this way of life!

On a sad note! On Thursday night Bryan Little passed from this life to his rest with God. Bryan was for a time a member of our St Philip's congregation, thanks to Chris Cheah and Roger Sharp. We remember Bryan today and give thanks for his life and brief time among us.

Last week we heard from Stephen Palethorpe about aspects of our relationship with the creation and environment, about how we manage and use the good things of God. The whole issue is really one of STEWARDSHIP of creation and resources and our skills and abilities in making and wisely using these gifts. Over the next few weeks I would like us to think [about] our overall approach to the Stewardship issue and how it relates to sustaining the life and ministry of our family at St. Philip's.

The stewardship theme seems to be repeated in this week's readings! The first reading is an abridged version of the Ten Commandments which cover not only our stewardship of creation but of our lives and relationships in families and community. St Paul in the letter to the Philippians ponders what is most important in his life and where he finds his true value. His credentials as a Jew were top notch but it was his awareness of God's love in Christ which surpassed all else.

In the gospel Jesus speaks of the stewardship of the vineyard. This is

the third story about the vineyard in a short time in Matthew's gospel. Today's and last week's stories are in the company of the "chief priests and elders of the people". In Jewish history the vineyard was symbolic of Israel and its people! The tenants (the priests and elders) have responsibility for their care! Their calling was to be wise and careful leaders, and to encourage Israel to produce a worthy return of "fruit" (love, justice, mercy and peace etc.) for God. In the past they had rejected those who had brought the message of God's justice and now they are ruthless enough to kill the one who is the rightful heir — "and get his inheritance". Our stewardship is not just about material things but also about producing a crop of grace mercy and peace.

Rob Lamerton

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

(Excluding rental income)

Offerings received 25/9/05: \$890.05, EFT \$345 Hildegard suppers \$130 (for Parish Missions). Shortfall this week \$589.95. Also received: \$30 for Hall roof fund.

Notices

Twilight Fair

+++++++Saturday 5th of November+++++++

Please pick up your books of 20-raffle tickets from Roger Sharp.

Try to sell as many as you can before the Twilight fair. Return all money and ticket stubs to Roger.

Prizes for the cent sale are also needed. Already pledged are tickets for The Messiah at Christmas and a dinner for two at Montezuma's Restaurant. Please let Roger know if you can donate a prize valued at \$50 or more... the sky's the limit!

Keep those jams coming — Jean Pound will price all preserves. Still needed — a person to coordinate the Busking Competition and Kitchen creations — cakes and confectionery. Please let Helen know.

Funds are available for ingredients for cakes and other food to be sold on the day.

See Helen or Denise.

Envelopes marked "Donation to the Twilight Fair" and "Donation to the Parish Hall Roof Fund" are available in the foyer.

Anglicord Annual Report

Anglicord is Anglicans Cooperating in Overseas Relief and Development.

The Annual Report and Appeal leaflets are in the porch now. You may recall that the Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza is an Anglicord project along with many others.

St Philip's Parish Membership of the St Mark's National Theological Library:

Members of St Philip's may use the parish membership to borrow from St Mark's. Please make sure you identify yourself as a member of the parish and you will be issued with a library card.

Week without Violence

The YWCA invites you to a very exciting event as part of the activities. On Wednesday 19th October, at the Canberra Museum and gallery (CMAG) a forum will spotlight young women and violence, with a focus on early intervention.

with: Katherine McLachlan (Australian Institute of Criminology) and Associate Professor Moira Carmody (School of Applied Social and Human Sciences University of Western Sydney)

Draw aside for a day of quiet and prayer

Prayer and reflection at 9.30am (cuppa available from 9am),
Quiet time for prayer, journaling, walking, resting... Bring your own lunch to eat at your leisure. Session at 2pm, closing with Eucharist at 3.30pm

The day will be led by Susanna Pain, Anglican priest, spiritual director and experienced Retreat leader

Saturday 22 October, 9.30am-4pm

St Marks National Theological Centre, Blackall St, Barton

Cost: \$10-\$20 donation

information: Susanna Pain ph: 6248 6465 email:

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

WE PRAY FOR:

The World For all who research environmental issues and work to protect the world around us and for our own wise stewardship of creation. For those battling the effects of hurricane Rita in southern USA. For peace and security for the people of Iraq.

Northbourne Community Centre: All who attend the Monday lunch program.

Those in need of healing: : Stephen Senz, Ben MacDonald, Rhyan Bloor, Val Reeves, Anne Marie Collins, Jana Combs, John Webley, Rebecca Bowman, Phoebe Gordon, Stella Cheah, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Glen Burns, Linda Kennedy, Ruth Horn, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase. The family and friends of Bryan Little.

The Departed: Bryan Little, Lawrie Keast (d.24/9/90), Coralie Sawyer (d.29/9/91)

The Saints: Lancelot Andrewes, bishop of Winchester (d.1626); Vincent de Paul, priest and worker with the poor (d.1660); Jerome, priest and biblical scholar (d.420); Michael and All Angels

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

TODAY'S ROSTERS:

Cleaning: Leighton & Ruth

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

Readers:

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

10am: 1st Chris Cheah 2nd Beryl Holder

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris & Roger

Morning Tea 10am: Rhyanna & Amanda

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-1pm Pandora's Open – Margaret & Fay
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Ann Munro

SUNDAY 9 October 2005

8am & 10am Eucharist 5.30pm Evening Service

Readings:

- Exodus 32.1-14
- Psalm 106:1-6, 20-24 — page 334
- Philippians 4:1-9
- Matthew 22:1-14

Rosters:

Cleaning: Washington Oloo

Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

Readers:

8am: 1st Elizabeth Allinson 2nd Rhonda Evans

10am: 1st Denise Manley 2nd Pat Forbes

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Hardy Palethorpe & helper!

Morning Tea 10am: Margaret & Washington

Pandora's income last week: \$523.05 — reserved for future development of the parish and Pandora's

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
