

# 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



## Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost 23rd October 2005

8am and 10am Eucharist, 5-30pm Evening Service  
The Eucharist begins on page 119 of the green prayer book

Readings:

- Deuteronomy 34.1-12
- Psalm 90:1-6 — page 318
- 1Thessalonians 2:1-13
- Matthew 22:34-46

At 10.00am Hymns: Together in Song 630 (vv 1-4), 428, 534, 631  
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**Organist:** Meg Colwell

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Greetings Everyone,

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Today at 9.30 am we have scheduled our Annual Electoral Meeting. It was a great idea until this year when we were overwhelmed by activities and preparation for "The Twilight Fair".

Next Sunday, we will be observing All Saints and All Souls Day! By now you are aware that I believe they are really one celebration. I'm sure there is no hierarchy in the Kingdom of heaven!

Great concern has been expressed this week about the Government's new "Anti Terror" legislation. While I am appalled by the thought of terrorism in our country I ask how much new legislation is necessary! Surely a crime is a crime but if it has not been committed it is not a crime! Yes there are situations where crimes and acts of terrorism are detected in the planning and by careful observation, surveillance and intelligence gathering the conspirators can be brought to account. Conspiracy to commit a crime or act of terrorism is in itself a crime but there are surely sufficient legal structures in Australia to deal with conspiracies and criminal acts. I am very concerned that we are digging a very dark deep hole of fear in this country and threatening the freedoms we so cherish. I recall reading at a dawn service one ANZAC Day the motto of the RSL. It reads "The price of freedom is eternal vigilance". Yes! Increase the resources of our intelligence networks but let us be very wary of some of the measures proposed in this "War on Terror"

I heard someone say that "Terrorism did not begin on 9/11" although some would have us think that! In fact terrorism was around in Northern Ireland and the UK, in the Balkans, South and Central America, in Israel and the Palestinian Territories, in South Africa and many terrorists had very just causes! Often motivated by great injustice, deprivation and inequality! I cannot help but believe that our country's involvement in the war in Iraq and the general misunderstanding and suspicion of Muslims in our society, has helped to dig that deep dark hole of fear. I am proud to be part of the ANU Chaplaincy, which has become a model for interfaith chaplaincies in universities around Australia. During the month of Ramadan, Muslims break their fast at sunset. On one of the days this month the Muslim Students' Association will host an interfaith meal at sundown in the

chaplaincy.

Let us stop the construction of the deep dark hole before we fall into it ourselves and are lost forever! Just as Jesus confronted the Pharisees, the Herodians, the Sadducees and the Lawyers (note how all facets of authority are represented) with their misreading of God and humanity so must we. Did Jesus come to construct a superior religion called "Christianity" I don't think so! What he did call for was a true acceptance of a humanity in need of relationships with each other and with God.

Rob Lamerton

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

*(Excluding rental income)*

Offerings received 16/10/05: \$686.45, EFT \$345, Church use \$325.  
Shortfall this week \$99.55. Also received; Parish Hall roof fund \$160,  
Twilight fair \$450.

**Notices**

**Earthquake Appeal**

Anglican Board of Mission and Anglicord combined appeal for funds to assist those affected by the earthquake in Kashmir, Pakistan, India, and Afghanistan. A poster on the notice board gives details for donations.

ABM.. phone 1300 302 663 (or for Sydney callers 9264 1021).

Post to.. Level 6, 51 Druitt Street Sydney.

On-line: [www.abmission.org](http://www.abmission.org)

Anglicord.. phone 1800 249 880 (freecall) or 03 9882 6517. Post to:

1a Canterbury Road, Camberwell, Vic. 3124.

On-line: [www.anglicord.org.au](http://www.anglicord.org.au)

As you are no doubt aware this is a much more serious situation than at first believed.

**Working Bee for Twilight Fair Saturday 29th October 10am**

**Twilight Fair**

**+++++++Saturday 5th November 3.30 to 8pm+++++++**

What we most need now are people willing to give some time (even if it is for half an hour) to assist with the various activities and stalls for the Twilight Fair. There is a list on the notice board at the back of the church where you can write your name.

Promotion - Please distribute as many **flyers** as possible around your neighbourhood. It doesn't matter where you live — all promotion is good promotion!

**Food—food—food!** If you can help with soup making, fruit salad making or contributing in other ways to our food stalls please see Denise.

Plants — please label plants and bring along from 10am on morning of the Fair.

Cakes, muffins, slices — please don't price — just deliver your contributions on the day.

**PLEASE REMEMBER! In all your cooking and preparation for the Fair that FOR HEALTH REASONS the Parish Hall is a PEANUT FREE ZONE!**

Could all **sewing & craft items** be delivered to Ruth ASAP for sorting pricing & displaying etc Envelopes marked "Donation to the Twilight Fair" and "Donation to the Parish Hall Roof Fund" are available in the foyer

**Join the team! Join the effort! It will be a great event!**

**Prayers for the sick** — To help with our prayers please check the list on the table at the entrance and write any relevant information about those on the prayer list

**Requiem Mass for All Souls Eve** November 1st at All Saints Ainslie with the choir "Igitur Nos".

[*extra note*] The Electoral Meeting was postponed until AGM next year.

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

## WE PRAY FOR:

**The World** For those who continue to suffer as a result of the earthquake in Kashmir, Pakistan and India; for generosity of response and coordination of all relief effort.

**Northbourne Community Centre:** Robin Moore and the volunteers.

**Give thanks for healing for:** Meg Owens, Ben MacDonald.

**Those in need of healing:** : 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 Departed:** Marjorie Sheehan (d.23/10/01)

**The Saints:** Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr (d.115); Luke, evangelist and martyr; Henry Martyn, missionary and bible translator (d.1812)

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

## TODAY'S ROSTERS:

Readers:

8am: 1st Shane Woodburn 2nd Vanessa Tatham

10am: 1st Joyce Webster 2nd ??

Sidespersons:

8am: Ian Rischbieth

10am: Helen, Brian & James

Morning Tea 10am: Ann Munro

## THIS WEEK

- **Monday** Rob's day off
- **Tuesday – Saturday** 7.15am & 5pm  
Morning/Evening Prayer
- **Wednesday** 10.00am Holy Communion
- **Thursday** 6pm Meal, Study and Meditation  
Group
- **Friday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Rhonda  
& Kerry-Anne
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open – Sandra

**SUNDAY 30 October 2005**  
**8am & 10am Eucharist 5.30pm Evening Service**

Readings:

- Job 14:1-14
- Psalm 29
- Romans 6:3-9
- John 5:19-29

**Rosters:**

Cleaning: Volunteers required

Flowers: Carola Parke and Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

Readers:

8am: Clive Lowes

10am: 1st Helen Palethorpe 2nd Fred Anchell

Sidespersons:

8am: Clive Lowes

10am: Hardy & Grace

Morning Tea 10am: Kerry-Anne & Ian Cousins

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*Pandora's income last week: \$244 — reserved for future development of the parish and Pandora's*

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

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Wardens: Devin Combs Bowles, Richard Wade, Sarah Gowty

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