

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



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 4th September 2005

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

Readings:

- Exodus 12.1-14
- Psalm 149 — page 379
- Romans 13.1-10
- Matthew 18.10-20

At 10.00am Hymns: Together in Song 233, 648, 544, 547

Organist: Colin Forbes

Greetings Everyone,

A "Happy Father's Day" to all the dads!

The devastation of Hurricane "Katrina" in the Southern states of the USA reminds us just how vulnerable we are to the forces of nature! In spite of all the warnings and all the available resources in the USA, the destruction, the dislocation of so many people and the descent into lawlessness has been amazing! The immediacy of the reporting, with the technology available has placed us right in the path of the hurricane and in the midst of the terrible aftermath.

I cannot avoid reflecting on the comparison between the Asian Tsunami and the Katrina disaster and my thought run to the simplicity of the bulk of people caught up in the Tsunami compared to the relative sophistication and wealth of the residents of those in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. When people have material wealth and resources there is much more to lose! We pray for those who suffer and the authorities seeking to bring relief and restoration to all areas affected!

Another very sad event occurred in Baghdad this week with the deaths of almost one thousand people in a crush of pilgrims on a bridge. What would have normally have been a safe and peaceful religious observance became the casualty of the fear and insecurity in that country as suspicion grew about the possibility of a suicide bomber. We can only pray that the people of Iraq will soon be able to live in peace and exercise freedom in their various religious beliefs.

The story of the demise and attempted suicide of the former leader of the opposition in NSW, John Brogden, seems small in comparison to world events but it raises the questions about what is really important in life! His reported misdeeds were almost not worth resigning over, let alone getting so depressed that he sought to take his life! His actions were silly and insensitive but really not worth all the attention they received. In fact the gospel for today (which really deals with problem solving and unity within the Christian community) might have been of some help if it had been heeded! Surely a friendly word to Mr Brogden by a colleague as well as some care and counselling for the Brogden family and others concerned would have

resolved the issues! But, how silly of me, that is not what his political enemies really wanted is it?

Rob Lamerton

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

(Excluding rental income)

Offerings received 21/8/05: \$711.55, EFT \$345, Church use \$166,
Shortfall this week \$232.45

Pandora's at O'Connor

Don't forget the Fashion Parade on 24th September!

Notices

Sunday Evening Services at St Philip's 5.30pm.

Worship tonight led by Brian McKinlay

Confirmation Group meets 5.30pm — 7.00pm Tuesdays at the Rectory

SYNOD

What a strange word? The word synod means "coming together".

The synod meets to discuss government of the church and operates very much like parliament with representatives from each parish and ministry unit. The bishop is chairman of Synod. With me, Devin Combs Bowles, Brian McKinlay and Sarah Gowty are our Synod Reps (Sarah is standing in for Ashton Robinson). We will be attending Synod in Goulburn from the 9th to 11th of September and so will be away next weekend.

The Rev'd Doug Bannerman will be conducting worship at St Philip's.

**"ORDO VIRTUTUM" (The Play of the Virtues)
by Hildegard of Bingen**

A combined St Philip's and CAMRA production
At St Philip's on 17th and 18th September

Hildegard (b.1098) was the abbess of the monastery at Rupertsberg near Bingen from 1136 until her death in 1179.

Needed for the performance ** several BAR/KITCHEN STOOLS
(backless)**

ALSO ** volunteers needed to service refreshments**

**(All profits will go to Parish Mission projects.)
Please talk to Leighton or Pat if you can assist.**

CAMRA & St Philip's have purchased a set of 20 Music stands, for the Hildegard and future performances. If you would like to sponsor a stand (\$70) or make a donation to help with the cost, please see Pat or Leighton.

Twilight Fair

[on November 5th]

Raffles

Thanks for the donations of goods to the raffle hamper. Please keep them coming so that we have a really worthwhile prize! We also need to start selling tickets at the end of September!

Please also remember the items for the cent sale — dinners, airline tickets, gift packs, hair styling etc that can be sponsored by family or friends of St Philips. Any attractive item of approx \$50 or over are welcome.

September is Preserves Month

Please bring your jars (preferably not too big) for others to make jams and pickles, or pick up jars and make jams and pickles!

Please label with the name of the product, the ingredients and the weight (including jar) but leave a spot for the price. Jean Pound will price them according to weight and take good care of them for you. We already have a good quantity, but more would be very welcome!

Busking Competition

Can you help organize this? A job description is pinned up on the Twilight Fair board. Please see Helen if you can help. This is urgent!

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

WE PRAY FOR:

The World For all caught up in the hurricane disaster and its destruction in New Orleans and other places in southern USA. For all rescue and relief efforts there. Pray for the people of Iraq and Baghdad, especially following the great loss of life there this week.

Those in need of healing: : Jana Combs, John Webley, Faye Pankhurst, Emily Colman, Rebecca Bowman, Phoebe Gordon, Stella Cheah, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Glen Burns, Linda Kennedy, Bryan Little, Ruth Horn, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase.

Those who mourn: Myrle Bovis and the family of Don Morton; Roger Sharp and the family of Chris Nicol.

The Departed: Chris Nicol, Don Morton

The Saints: John Bunyan, preacher, spiritual writer (d.1688); Aidan of Lindisfarne, bishop and missionary (d.651); Martyrs of New Guinea (d.1942); Gregory of Rome, bishop and teacher (d.604); Eliza Darling, pioneer social reformer (d.1868)

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

TODAY'S ROSTERS:

Cleaning: Volunteer

Flowers: Sandra Lamerton

Readers:

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

10am: 1st Chris Cheah 2nd Helen Palethorpe

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone

10am: Chris & Roger

Morning Tea 10am: Rhyanna & Amanda

THIS WEEK

- **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 — Joyce &
Rhonda
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Ann
Munro

SUNDAY 11 September 2005

8am & 10am Eucharist 5.30pm Evening Service

Readings:

- Exodus 14.19-31
- Psalm 114 — page 3..
- Romans 14.1-14
- Matthew 18.21-35

Rosters:

Cleaning: Janine and Stephen

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

Readers:

8am: 1st Rhonda Evans 2nd Elizabeth Allinson

10am: 1st Pat Forbes 2nd Brian McKinlay

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Hardy & Leighton

Morning Tea 10am: Margaret & Washington

Pandora's income last week \$318.45

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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