

# 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, Wednesday HC 10am [Lenten Calendar 2006](#)

## Fifth Sunday in Lent, 2nd April 2006



### 8am and 10am Holy Communion

*The service begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book*

Readings:

- Jeremiah 31:31-34
- Psalm 119:9-16 page 350
- Hebrews 5:5-15
- John 12:20-33

**Hymns at 10.00am: Together in Song:** 477, 428, 518, 595 (tune 172  
Living Praise)

**Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes**

*After the gospel: Fugue in C#minor, Book 1 J.S. Bach*

## At Communion:

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

Dear Everyone,

Welcome back to Rebecca Newland and David Grice returning from their time in The Philippines. Rebecca will of course be taking over as your priest while I am on leave! To give her a bit of practice Rebecca will be our preacher next weekend.

We come to the fifth Sunday of Lent and the scene shifts to Jerusalem itself where Jesus is in the Temple before the Passover. This seems odd in the order of Lent because Palm Sunday is usually the time we think of Jesus' arrival and procession into Jerusalem. The story of the Greeks seeking Jesus however is the prompt for another discussion about dying to bear fruit and the lifting up of Jesus. The readings begin to open up and discuss the reason for Jesus being in Jerusalem.

Jeremiah speaks of a new covenant when all the people will know God and the Law will be written on their hearts. He speaks of a deeply personal relationship between God and those who seek to know and worship God. This is the hope of Jesus as he teaches around the Temple but it is not what he finds. He finds instead the politics of power and control in the attitudes of those who are meant to be the mediators of this covenant. He is painfully aware that for a genuine openness to God things must change and he must follow a path which exhibits true faithfulness. He speaks of dying to live and again of being lifted up to draw all people to himself.

In the Jerusalem Temple, the place of sacrifice and of mediation between people and their God, Jesus speaks of self-sacrifice and service as the way of opening up the ways of God to all people. The Greeks who wanted to see Jesus were excluded from the benefits of the services of the priests and the offering of sacrifice and worship of the Temple. What Jesus points towards is a way of opening access to God on a grand scale.

The letter to the Hebrews recalls Melchizedek, the great figure of antiquity who preceded the Levitical priests. Melchizedek was a Canaanite priest and king NOT a Hebrew and yet he welcomed Abram and pronounced God's blessing, before ever the Law and Temple. Hebrews points out that this model of priesthood is superior to the present Temple priesthood and that this is the model for Jesus.

Rob Lamerton.

### Prayer List

**The Prayer List continues to grow! How do we manage it? If you know people mentioned on the Prayer List please let me know when they no longer need our prayers or any other changes.**

Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish \$1455 (excluding rental income)

Offerings received 26/3/06: \$807.90 + EFT \$400, Baptism \$100

**Shortfall \$137 \$147.10**

## Notices

**The Bishop of North Queensland Cyclone Appeal Fund  
Donations should be sent direct to: PO Box 1244, Townsville  
Queensland 4810.**

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

- PALM SUNDAY 8.00am HOLY COMMUNION  
10.00am PALM  
PROCESSION AND EUCHARIST
- MAUNDY THURSDAY 7pm Passover Dinner  
8.30pm COMMUNION AND  
FOOTWASHING
- GOOD FRIDAY 3.00pm to 6.00pm Passion  
Reading  
Stations of the Cross  
concluding with  
5.00pm STABAT MATER  
(Pergolesi) Choir
- EASTER DAY 6am LIGHTING THE NEW  
FIRE  
7am COMMUNION WITH  
HYMNS  
8am BREAKFAST  
10am SUNG EUCHARIST

Lent Studies:

### **Thursday at the Rectory**

Eat at 6pm. Movie at 6.30pm. "Last Orders" Brief discussion. Finish at 9pm.

### **"High Fidelity Living" The Ecumenical Study – Wednesdays at 11am – Rectory.**

It is also available at St Ninian's each Sunday 5pm and 6pm and at on Tuesdays at 10am.

### **Readers are needed for the Passion Palm Sunday St Mark (8 readers) and Good Friday St John (9 readers)**

#### WE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** For patience and wisdom for the New Palestinian Government.

**In Australia:** For those affected by cyclones Larry in Qld. and Glenda in W.A.

**For our St Philip's family:** For Robin and team at Northbourne Community Centre.

**Those in need of healing:** Michael Cockayne, Roy Arton, Raymond Nudilago, Anne Morris Bannerman, Shane Woodburn, Tony Kildea, Beryl Collins (Denise's mother), Corey Jansen, Ron Grimshaw, Clive Lowes, June Axelsen, Jill Scott, Yoko Murase, Noah Palethorpe, Rhyan Bloor, Val Reeves, Jana Combs, John Webley, Rebecca Bowman, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Linda Kennedy, Ruth Horn, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Paul Mitchell, Mira Barratt, Jutaro Murase.

**The departed:** David Linaker (d.29/3/96), Patrick Bannerman (d.23/3/94)

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

#### TODAY'S ROSTERS:

Cleaning: Leighton & Ruth

Readers:

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

10am: 1st Beryl Holder 2nd Chris Cheah

Sidespersons:

8am: John Girdlestone  
10am: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp

## THIS WEEK

- **Monday** Rob's day off
- **Tuesday to Saturday** 8.30am Morning Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** Kankinya Holy Communion
- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion 11.00am Lent Study
- **Thursday** Meal and Lent film discussion.
- **Friday** 10am ANU Chaplaincy  
10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Rhonda Evans & Joyce Webster
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Ann Munro & Delwyn Boundy

## SUNDAY 9th April 2006 8am & 10am Eucharist

### Readings:

- Isaiah 50:4-9a
- Psalm 31:9-18 page 250
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Mark 14:1-15 & 27

### **Rosters:**

Cleaning: Volunteers

Readers:

8am: 1st Elizabeth Allinson 2nd Rhonda Evans

10am: 1st Sarah Gowty 2nd Jean Pound

Sidespersons:

8am: John Cunliffe

10am: Hardy & Leighton

Morning Tea

10am Genevieve and Margaret

*Pandora's income 24 & 25.03.06: \$531.85 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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