

# 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

The vision of St. Philip's is to **be** a caring, Christian community which honours and embraces difference, and offers a place to celebrate and grow spiritually in the Anglican tradition.

## **Sunday 13th August 2006 TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**8am Eucharist**

**10am Eucharist**

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

Readings:

- 1Kings 19: 4-8
- Psalm 34: 1-8
- Ephesians 4: 25 - 5:2
- John 6:35, 41-51

**Organist/Pianist:** Colin Forbes

**Hymns (Together in Song): 61, 239, 707, 531**

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

Dear Everyone,

When I arrived to take up this short appointment in Rob's absence Parish Council asked if I would find a model of outreach that would suit the St. Philips community. Things have moved very quickly and through talking with others I ended up speaking to the Dean of Goulburn Cathedral, the very Reverend Philip Saunders. His recommendation was to use the "Catechumenate" process. Philip came to speak to members of the parish who attended the recent parish day at Burra. His talk was very valuable and well received by those who were present. The generally feeling was that it would be good give the process "a go" this coming year so we can work out our strengths and weaknesses and whether it would indeed be right for our church. Parish Council last meeting agreed to the idea and I have asked Brian McKinlay to be the lay co-ordinator for the process. Brian will work with myself and some other people to create a team to oversee the process. Philip Saunders has offered his experience and support. For those who have thought of it and those who haven't Rob has been consulted and agrees it is a good idea. Now you are probably all wondering what it is?!

The Catechumenate is similar to the RCIA program run by the Catholic Church and is based on the idea that people come to faith or a deeper understanding of their relationship with God through involvement with a worshipping community. It is not about telling people what they should believe. It is not about 'bringing someone to the truth' as if we owned it. It is about welcoming others, listening to their concerns and questions, journeying with them and providing experiences and a chance to reflect on them. The Catechumenate fits very well with our vision — to be a caring, Christian community which honours and embraces difference and offers a place to grow spiritually within the Anglican tradition. The process itself begins with an enquirers evening held towards the end of September and begins more formally the first Sunday of Advent. It ends at Pentecost. There are "slow" times in the journey and more "intense" times. The process is for those already attending church and for those seeking answers. Each person going through the process has a sponsor who can be a friend, a spouse, a parent or child or someone unknown to them. There will be various tasks for members of the St. Philips community to do which will hopefully not be too onerous and I hope potentially very enriching and rewarding. The main thing we can all do is to be welcoming, supportive and prayerful. Oh, and don't worry — we will not call it the catechumenate! I commend this model of

outreach to you all. I am quietly very excited about it's possibilities and believe it will be a good experience for our community. I think we will a great deal and be blessed through God's faithfulness to our attempts to live the Good News. If you have any questions or concerns please ask!

I am saddened to inform you that Ruth Horn, the mother of Elizabeth Silano died last week. As many of you are aware we have been praying for Ruth for along period of time.

Finally, many of you would have met my mother Ruth who has been staying with David and I for a couple of weeks. Mum had a severe heart attack last Sunday and was admitted to Canberra Hospital coronary care. She is now home with us but is too unwell to travel back to Newcastle at this stage. I will need to work from home while she is with us and for this week will need to cancel morning and evening prayer at the church (I will be praying at home!) and Christian meditation on Tuesday evening. I will be regularly checking the messages on the office phone and I can be contacted on my mobile as well.

Have a great week everyone

Peace and Blessings

Rebecca Newland

**Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish \$1455 per week**

(excluding rental income)

Offerings received 6th August 2006: \$630.75 + EFT \$400 = \$1030.75 **Shortfall \$424.25**

Church use — \$260.00 Donation — \$600

## Notices

### **Twilight Fair 3pm - 7pm 11 November 2006**

90 days to go! Please see the notice board today for current details.  
*Gourmet Hamper, Art Competition, Handmade Items — let's make it happen!*

**Liturgy Team Meeting** is now rescheduled for Sunday 27th August

**Gospel Service has been POSTPONED due to various illnesses**  
**Gospel Service**  
**Unfortunately due to illness this special service has been cancelled. We will be rescheduling it for a later date.**

**Parish Dinner** — Saturday 26th August

Launch of the Twilight Fair and the **Turning On of the Angel Lights!!!**  
Potluck Dinner — please bring a Main or Dessert and BYO drinks.

### **Reading Reflections**

On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12.00pm a time has been set aside for a look at the day's readings. It is a time to reflect more deeply on the readings, to share with friends and to build faith and community.

### **Child Protection Workshops**

St John's Reid, Tuesday the 16th September, 10am to 4pm. If you still need to do the Diocesan mandatory child protection workshop please consider putting the above workshop in your diary. The parish will cover the cost of the workshop and if you need a baby sitter please contact Rebecca to arrange some help.

### **Gaza Anglican Hospital Appeal**

**Emergency funds are needed for Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza in the current crisis.**

**Funds will be used for medicines, food, trauma recovery and generator fuel.**

**Call AnglicORD on 1800 249 880 or ABM on 1300 302 663**

**For more information or donate on line**

**[www.anglicord.org.au](http://www.anglicord.org.au) . [www.abm.asn.au](http://www.abm.asn.au)**

**[Download](#) the report of the Archbishop in Jerusalem and the Middle East.**

**(a rich text file [Gaza Appeal.rtf](#) 21KB)**

**More information at ABM**

**[http://www.abmission.org/middle\\_east\\_church.html](http://www.abmission.org/middle_east_church.html)**

## Ministry teams at St Philip's

### Team

### Co-ordinator

Pastoral

Denise Manley

Maintenance

Roger Sharpe

Youth and Children

Richard Wade

Liturgy

Rebecca Newland

Social

Ann Munro

### WE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** For peace and stability in Palestine and Israel, Iraq, Afghanistan, the Solomon Islands, East Timor and Nepal, and for justice in Myanmar. For an end to the violence in Lebanon and implementation of the UN resolution. For all refugees. For unity between all Christians and Christian churches.

**In Australia:** For wisdom for Australian authorities dealing with Asylum Seekers. (See the [Refugee Action Committee](#) web site) For Aboriginal communities and for reconciliation. For Federal Parliament this week.

**Northbourne Community Centre:** For Robin and her helpers, and those who attend the centre.

**Those in need of healing:** Ruth (Rebecca's mother), Pat, Michael Cockayne, Roy Ayrton, Tony Kildea, Beryl Collins (Denise's mother), Corey Jansen, June Axelsen, Jill Scott, Yoko and Jutaro Murase, Val Reeves, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Linda Kennedy, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt.

**Those who mourn:** Elizabeth and family.

**The Departed:** Ruth Horn

**The Saints:** Twentieth Century martyrs, including: Maximilien Kolbe, friar (d.1940); Maria Skobtsova, abbess in Russia (d.1945); Martin Luther King Jr, worker for civil liberties (d.1968). Mary, Mother of our Lord

"May the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory."

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

## THIS WEEK

- **Monday to Wednesday** [8.30am Morning Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer]
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Kankinya Holy Communion [5:30 - 6:30pm: Christian Meditation]
- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion
- **Friday** Rebecca's Day Off
- **Friday** 10am - 1pm Pandora's Open — Meg Colwell & Joan Kearidge
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Fiona Dyer

## SUNDAY 20th August 2006 8.00am & 10.00am Eucharist

### Readings:

- 1Kings 2:10-12; 3: 3-14
- Psalm 111
- Ephesians 5:11-21 (22-31)
- John 6:51-58

### Rosters:

Cleaning: Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans

Flowers: Val Reeves

#### 8am:

Sidespersons: volunteers

Readers: Eloise Wright

#### 10am:

Sidespersons: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson

Readers: 1st Joyce Webster, 2nd Denise Manley

Children's Ministry: Doreen Odom & Charity Mapako

Morning Tea: James Kim & Roger Sharp

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*Pandora's income from 4th & 5th August: \$268.45 (Reserved for future development of the Parish & Pandora's)*

During August \$2 SALE!

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Worshippers: Denise Manley, Elizabeth Allinson, and Heidi Belathorne

