

# 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 20th August 2006 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**8am Eucharist**

**10am Eucharist**

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

Readings:

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

**Organist/Pianist:** Colin Forbes

**Hymns (Together in Song):** 107, , 519 (t521), 670

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

Dear Everyone,

Thank you so much to everyone who has been so helpful and understanding while I have needed to spend time with my mother. A particular thank you to Linda Anchell who offered to preach this Sunday. I very gratefully accepted! Linda was not the only one who offered either. What a wonderful community St. Philips is in so many ways! It is at times like this that the caring St. Philips is known for really shines through. Being caring is an integral part of our vision statement. As you know I have been taking this bulletin opportunity to reflect on our vision statement which reads — **to be a caring, Christian community which honours and embraces difference and offers a place to grow spiritually within the Anglican tradition.**

"Caring" is defined in different ways in different dictionaries but one way to understand caring is to see it as being compassionate and showing concern for others. It is also about tending to someone's needs. So there are two parts to caring — the feeling of compassion and concern for another and the actual doing of some action that helps fulfil their need. It is interesting that "needs" is a very broad term. Someone might have a need for food, or loving affection, a lift to the hospital, a friend to share ideas and dreams with. Someone may need spiritual friendship, an invitation to be part of a community or group, Someone may need prayers or healing. The list is endless.

When we set out to be a caring people we do not distinguish between needs when someone is before us in need Our job is to care for them whatever the need Jesus Christ of course is our model of how to be a caring people. The gospels are full of stories of Jesus going out amongst the people "doing good". He had compassion for them and met them where they were. All types of people came to him with many types of needs for healing, for love and acceptance, for food, for the answers to questions that troubled them, for forgiveness and for meaning. Jesus not only fulfilled their needs he also felt their need Compassion is a feeling, a deep and strong feeling for others that moved Jesus to tears at times. The care that Jesus expressed was not some dry, cold act, but was a moment of connection with the other, of passion and love. I wonder what our caring is like and how we can move it to being more like Jesus example?

There is too, a thing called "compassion fatigue" It is when there is a loss or lessening of sympathy for the misfortunes of others because too many demands have been made on our feelings. We are but

human and have limitations. In this too Jesus is also our way to follow. He took time to pray and meditate, to be with his creator and to "recharge his batteries". He took time out from his ministry of caring to care for himself. He kept his gaze focussed on the most important thing — his relationship with his loving God. May we at St. Philips grow ever more into the likeness of Christ and his love and care.

(Just a few more points to do with my need to be at home with my mother as much as possible this coming week Again I will need to work from home so morning and evening prayer will not be happening at the church this week. Christian meditation will be on Tuesday 5:30 pm but Reading Reflections this Sunday will not. I will be checking phone messages regularly and my mobile number is 0432 539 948. Many apologies for any inconvenience.)

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 13th August 2006: \$763 + EFT \$400 = \$1163 **Shortfall \$292**  
Trading Table \$21.80

## Notices

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

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

Fred needs ice cream containers for the money; about twenty! (one per stall)

**Reminder = Liturgy Team Meeting** Sunday 27th August (NEXT Sunday)

**Gospel Service has been POSTPONED due to various illnesses**  
**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!!!**  
Rebecca will also do a short presentation on David's and her time in the

Philippines. It will mostly concentrate on the community development work done by the church in various communities. There will be lots of photos!

Potluck (*potlach?*) 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.

*(not on this Sunday)*

### **Child Protection Workshops**

St Peter's Weston, Tuesday the 16th September, 9.45am 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  
Social

Rebecca Newland  
Ann Munro



### WE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** For peace and stability in Palestine and Israel, Iraq, Afghanistan, 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.

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

**Those in need of healing:** 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, Pat Forbes, Ruth Newland, Denise Manley, the family of Ruth Horn.

**The Departed:** Thelma M Morton (15/8/93), Donald William Brown (17/8/88)

**The Saints:** Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr

*"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 — Barbara Dowling & Erika Langman
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Charity Mapako & Doreen Odom

**SUNDAY 27th August 2006**  
**8.00am & 10.00am Eucharist**

Readings:

- 1Kings 8:22-30, 41-43
- Psalm 84
- Ephesians 6:10-20
- John 6:56-69

**Rosters:**

Cleaning: Volunteers needed

Flowers: Jeanette McHugh

**8am:**

Sidespersons: Ian Rischbieth

Readers: Vanessa Tatham

**10am:**

Sidespersons: James Kim, Brian McKinlay & Helen Palethorpe

Readers: 1st Fiona Dyer, 2nd Stephen Billett

Children's Ministry: Peter Brandon & Nick Myburgh

Morning Tea: Ann Munro

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*Pandora's income from 11th & 12th August: \$142.50 (Reserved for future development of the Parish & Pandora's)*

During August \$2 SALE!

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