

# 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 26th November 2006**  
**CHRIST THE KING**



**8am Eucharist**  
**10am Eucharist**

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

Readings:

- 2Samuel 23:1-7
- Psalm 132:1-12
- Revelations 1:4b-8
- John 18:33-37

**10am Hymns:** [TIS](#) 227, 497, 554, 351

**Organist/Pianist:** Colin Forbes  
**Soloist:** Pat Forbes "I Will Sing New Songs" Anton Dvorak

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

Dear Everyone, Welcome to St. Philips!

The church year ends on this day, with the festival of Christ the King. Ending a year on today, reminds us that the church year is different from the calendar year, the academic year and the budget year. Unlike most minor nor and major church festivals, the festival of Christ the King is a relatively new celebration, as it was first introduced in 1925 by Pope Pius XI. At that time he saw the rise of atheistic communism and secularism as a direct result of man's turning away from Christ's sovereignty. It was not until 1969 that it was designated the festival for the last Sunday, of the church year. Other denominations, including our own Anglican Communion, must have decided such a festival was a good idea because here we have it in our liturgical calendar! It is a wonderful feast on which to end the church year and to begin to prepare us for Advent.

Talking about Kings seems incongruous in our culture where we have moved well beyond having sovereigns above us to whom we give our allegiance. Although most of us have affection and respect for Queen Elizabeth, we are not too sure about her children. Our leaders are now elected and we hopefully hold them to account for their actions. In our society we take great pride in being independent, free to make our own decisions and sceptical of any authority - and rightly so. However, to say Christ is king implies that we are subjects. But this is no ordinary king. The heart of this relationship is our dependence on a ruler who was born in a stable and was crucified on cross, yet rose to live and forgive.

The Kingdom of Christ is fellowship, a way of life, where the 'blind see, the lame walk and the prisoners are freed'. We are people who have come to believe that our true freedom depends on being subject to Christ. We do not choose this ruler as we elect a prime minister, hire a CEO or change doctors. We are Christ's people — we share the same Eucharistic foods, we share the same story of faith, we stake our lives on the same hopes. Here at the end of the church year, after living through another cycle of hearing the story of Jesus' life, of being taught by him in miracle and parable, we come to the coda of this hymn of praise.

After another year of living our lives, burying our dead. baptizing our

babies, marrying and divorcing, struggling and thriving, we bring all of the year's experiences to the climax of this day. We lay it all back at the feet of the one enthroned on the cross, giving thanks.

As you have no doubt noticed this bulletin is much bigger than usual. There were just so many notices and events to advertise!

Peace and Blessings,

Rebecca Newland

Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish \$1455 per week,  
excluding rental income.

Offerings received 19th November: \$873.70 + EFT \$400=\$1273.70     **Shortfall** \$221.30

## Notices

### **Today is NCLS day!**

Approximately five years ago, St Philip's participated in the 2001 National Church Life Survey, a joint project of the Uniting Board of Mission (NSW), ANGLICARE Diocese of Sydney, and the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference. The results from the survey are used for a wide range of planning needs. The results of each parish were made available to that parish and the leadership of St Philip's has found them very useful. Parish Council agreed to run the survey this time round again. Due to unforeseen circumstances (not mine or the parish!) the survey was postponed until the last Sunday of the Church's year, Sunday the 26th of November. Please help us by filling in the survey form! Rebecca

### **BETTER BITS**

Many heartfelt thanks to all those who donated their treasures — not quite as many diamond rings and tiaras as last year, but you all did very well! Not only did we raise a nice sum of money, but the main aim of recycling our "stuff" was achieved in a pleasurable way. Please think of BB over the festive season when you may accumulate treasures from Santa you may not need. I can store small items during the year.  
Kerry-Anne

### **ADVENT DINNER**

Come and join the St Philip's family for an Advent Dinner  
And be entertained by the Jazz Group "In the Mood"  
When? — Friday 1st December 7.00pm  
Where? — St Philip's Courtyard under the Angel lights  
Bring? — A cold salad or a dessert, wine and cheer  
RSVP — to the sign up form at the back of the church or Ann Munro

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## **FOR LOVE OF THE WORLD**

Inter-faith Action on Climate Change  
Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Canberra  
10-30am — 12noon 2nd December 2006

### **Join Michael Leunig, Chair of the Global Carbon Project, and representatives from the major faith traditions at an important action on Climate Change.**

For Love of the World will be an event at which those present can journey from acknowledgement of where we are, including acknowledging our pain, sadness, helplessness and fear, to a place of hope which is connected to real commitment to action. We will call on the government to take committed action, as well as provide the opportunity for individuals to make their own promises for action. We warmly invite you to attend, and to invite others to be present at this important event. Inquiries: Sarah Bachelard, 0423 987 105; Linda Chapman, 0402 273 021 Rebecca Newland, 0432 539 948

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### **ABM Calendars**

Calendars are available to order. \$7.50 each, or if we have ten orders or more the cost is \$6.00.

Please support this fund raising effort. There is a sign up form at the back of the church.

Hurry! Last week to order!

### **ONE WORLD CONCERT**

Aboriginal Australia:— Phil Brown Didjeridoo, Country Blues, — Blues Cowgirls;

Christianity:— Sudanese performers; Buddhism: — Helen Rivera, Tibetan Buddhist chants;

Hinduism: — Kannan Krishnan — Carnatic songs and recitation of poems by Sufi poet, Rumi

Saturday 2nd December 7pm

Delicious Malaysian and African meals 5.45-6.45pm

Dickson College Hall Cnr Antill Strs and Phillip Ave, Dickson.

Bookings: [commonground@tpg.com.au](mailto:commonground@tpg.com.au)

### **WORLD AIDS DAY MULTIFAITH PRAYER SERVICE**

A multi-faith prayer service will be held on Friday 1st December at 5.30pm at Aspen Island (near the Carillon) to mark World AIDS Day. Organised by the Aids Action Council and All Saint's Ainslie, the service will provide a time of remembrance and prayer for those throughout the world whose lives have been affected by HIV/AIDS. All are welcome to come and be part of this multi-faith occasion. More information is available from Sarah MacNeil, Rector of All

Saint's Ainslie on 6248 7420

### **KANKINYA NURSING HOME FETE**

Saturday 2nd December, 10am to 12 noon. Front Gardens, Archibald Street. Stalls include Christmas Cakes and Plants. Come along!

### **PASTORAL CARE TRAINING 2007**

Become a pastoral carer in your community  
*Affirm the power of Love and Care through the Spirit of God in the Community.*

Applications are invited for people in Canberra and Region to train as Pastoral Carers in their local community. Training begins from March 2007 at introductory, basic and advanced levels in Canberra, Young, Goulburn and on the South Coast.

For more information and application forms contact:  
Lyn Kelly (02)6244 2261 or [lyn.kelly@act.gov.au](mailto:lyn.kelly@act.gov.au)

The Canberra and Region Centre for Spiritual Care  
and Clinical Pastoral Education Inc.,  
The Canberra Hospital

### **St Philip's and CAMRA – Coming Events 2006**

- Friday 1 December 7pm Parish Advent Dinner (with Mood Swings)
- 8 & 10 December CAMRA presents Handel's "Messiah"
- 21 December 7.30pm Carol Service and supper
- 22nd December 8pm CAMRA presents a recital by *Amanda Forbes* (Amanda's only 2006 Australian performance.)
- Sunday 24th December Christmas Eve morning eucharists, 8am & 10am

7pm Children's Christmas Service  
11pm Carols  
11.30pm Midnight Mass

- Christmas Day 9am Holy Communion
- Saturday 27th Jan 8am-12noon Garage Sale

## **An invitation to a journey: Come and See**

In our modern world there is a deep hunger for spiritual depth and connections. If you would like to part of a process that is designed to deepen your faith and your relationships then consider being part of the "Come and See" journey. "Come and See" is time spent with a spiritual friend and fellow travellers exploring what it means to be a Christian. It is not about telling you what to believe but asking questions together and exploring answers. In "Come and See" we take part in worship, learning, spiritual guidance, and nurture. It is for anyone interested, including those who have been part of church life for many years.

For more information on session dates and times, an information brochure, or to make enquiries, please contact either Brian on 6161 6352 (ah) or Rebecca on 6161 7334

## WE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** For peace and stability in Palestine and Israel, Iraq, Afghanistan, and for justice in Myanmar. For a resolution to the political instability in Thailand. For all refugees. For a consensus and way to deal with climate change. For unity between all Christians and Christian churches. For interfaith dialogue and understanding.

**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 rural communities affected by drought.

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

**Those in need of healing:** Anne Ranse, Michael Cockayne, Roy Ayrton, Tony Kildea, Corey Jansen, Jill Scott, Yoko and Jutaro Murase, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Linda Kennedy, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt, John Cunliffe, Ruth Newland, Kitty Junior, Michael Ellis, Maximina Quintana, David, Marion, Vicki, Moya and Joyce Braithwaite.

**The Saints:** Andrew, Apostle and Martyr; Frances Perry, founder of the Royal Women's Hospital, Melbourne (d.1892)

*"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 — Fay Pankhurst
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open — Beryl Blaseotto & Ian Cousins

**SUNDAY 26th November 2006**  
**8.00am & 10.00am Eucharist**

Readings:

- Jeremiah 33:14-16
- Psalm 25:1-10
- 1Thessalonians 3:9-13
- Luke 21:25-38

**Rosters:**

Cleaning: Leighton, Ruth & Zara

Flowers: Val Reeves

**8am:**

Sidespersons: John Girdlestone

Reader: Devin Combs Bowles

**10am:**

Sidespersons: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp

Readers: 1st Beryl Holder, 2nd Joyce Webster

Children's Ministry: Rebecca & Stephen Palethorpe

Morning Tea: Volunteers Please.

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*Pandora's income from 3rd & 17th & 18th November: \$250.50 (Reserved for future development of the Parish & Pandora's)*

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