

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!)

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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 29th July 2007 **NINTH SUNDAY of PENTECOST**



"Ask and it shall be given to you"

8am Eucharist
10am Eucharist

The service begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book

Readings:

- Hosea 1:2-10
- Psalm 85
- Colossians 2:6-15(16-19)
- Luke 11:1-13

10am Hymns: [Together in Song](#) 464, 26, 689, 596

Prayer Response: TIS 741

Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

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

Greetings to all!

We welcome Chris Cheah to the pulpit as our preacher today! Since Chris is rostered to be Lay Minister on the 5th Sunday of the month it seemed wise to have him to preach as well!

The gospel story tells about Jesus teaching the disciples to pray with the model prayer we call "The Lord's Prayer". He then follows it with a story about persistence in asking, searching and knocking! The point of the story is about God's generosity and awareness of our needs as well as our need to pray!

Sometimes God's answer to our prayers is to place us somewhere difficult but where we can be of help to others! Hosea is prompted to marry an unfaithful wife to be a sign of the unfaithfulness of the people of Israel. The end of the story is that the people will be restored, increased and be given a new name "Children of the Living God".

Prayer is rarely simple or straight forward but requires persistence and struggle, going back to God time and time again when the way seems unclear!

Rob Lamerton.

TODAY'S SERVICES:

Presiding: Rob Lamerton

Preaching: Chris Cheah

Flowers: Jeannette McHugh

8am:

Lay Minister:
Sidespersons: volunteer
Reader: Clive Lowes

10am:

Lay Minister: Chris Cheah
Sidespersons: Hardy Palethorpe & Grace Barnes
Children's Ministry: School Holidays
Readers: 1st Pat Forbes, 2nd Ashton Robinson
Morning Tea: Kerry-Anne & Ian Cousins

Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish

\$1690 (excluding rental income.)

Offerings received 22nd July: \$572.15 + EFT \$400 = \$972.15

Shortfall of \$717.85

ABM Myanmar \$125.10

NOTICES

[ABM talk](#) on The Solomons [see leaflet ([below](#))] 4th August

Leighton Mann and Tim Gowty to administer Holy Communion

With the agreement of the church wardens I intend to invite Tim Gowty and Leighton Mann to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion at St Philip's O'Connor. If anyone objects to this proposal, the objection in writing should be addressed to:

The Bishop of Canberra and Goulburn
GPO Box 1981
Canberra ACT 2601

OR

Care of myself or one of the wardens.

July Retiring Offering

St Philip's is committed to giving to the Toungoo Diocesan Partnership with ABM! Throughout July we have the opportunity to give to our parish objective for this important venture in Myanmar. The funds provide for a clean water project,

HIV/AIDS education and health care and other medical needs.

CAMRA presents:

The Marriage of Figaro

7.30pm: 2, 4, 9 & 11 August

Tickets: www.camra.asn.au or 6249 6067

Food @ St Philip's: The Parish will again be serving suppers for The Marriage of Figaro, if you can assist any of the nights please see Fred Anchell 6236 3227.

All profits support our Mission Projects.

Bishop John Shelby Spong

Public Lecture on Tuesday 28 August, titled "Fasten your seat belts! A more believable Jesus" At Albert Hall, 7.00pm for 8.00pm, Tickets \$25. (Concession \$20) Bookings essential: Revd Rex A E Hunt. Ph: 6281 7419. eMail: rexae@optusnet.com.au

LOOKING AHEAD – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2, 4, 9 & 11 August 7.30pm CAMRA's Marriage of Figaro

Saturday 10 November 3pm-7pm St Philip's community fair

Celebrating 50 years in the O'Connor community Now open – Community Fair Art Competition

Theme: *The world we live in.* Frames & Canvases available in the Foyer

Seeking Team leaders for the Fair! See the notice board for the latest news!

WE PRAY FOR:

The World: Order and peace in Iraq. For those held hostage in Afghanistan

In Australia: For justice as authorities deal with Mohamed Haneef. For a willingness to tackle the housing shortage and affordability.

The Church: Diocese of Polynesia: Bishop Jabez Bryce. Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia. Special Ministries: Military Christian Fellowship: Russell Bielenberg (Helen); Order of St Luke: Owen Dowling (Gloria); Religious education in schools and parishes: Schools Ministry Consultant and Acting Convenor of RE Unit of ACT Churches' Council, Georgina Hall; Education for Ministry Diocesan Coordinator: Margaret Browning; Confirmation candidates, the Catechumenate and Alpha programs; Pray for: Outreach and ministry amongst youth.

Those in need of healing: Give thanks for healing for Michael Fitzgerald Clarke and Roger Sutcliffe. Pray for: Augustine, Frank Faulkner, Owen Dowling, Megan Brocklehurst, Betty Lamerton, Hannah Newbold, Dot Huckstepp, Margaret and Claude Woodbridge, Stewart Barrett, Erhard Timmel, Toni, Michael Cockayne, Roy Ayrton, Tony Kildea, Jill Scott, Yoko and Jutaro Murase, Ian Wright, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt, John Cunliffe, Joyce Braithwaite, Peter Andersson.

The Faithful Departed: Michael Gamble d.24/7/97, Portia Vincent d.26/7/90 & Ellen Elizabeth Mahony d.29/7/2000

The Saints: William Wilberforce, social reformer (d1833); Holy men and women of the Old Testament; John Baptist Vianney, parish priest of Ars, France (d1895)

"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](#)

Ministry teams at St Philip's

Priest: Rev'd Rob Lamerton

Wardens: Hardy Palethorpe, Roger Sharp & Doreen Odom

Liturgy: Rob Lamerton
Buildings and Maintenance: Roger Sharp
Social: Hardy Palethorpe
Secretary: Fiona Dyer
Treasurer: Shane Woodburn
Pastoral Care: Doreen Odom
Liturgy: Rob Lamerton
Councillor: Fred Anchell

WEEKLY EVENTS

- **Monday to Thursday** 8.30am Morning Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Kankinya Nursing Home — Holy Communion
5.30pm Meditation
7pm Home Group @ Brian and James' phone 6161 6352
- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion
- **Friday** RECTOR'S DAY OFF
10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN**
- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN**

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings:

- Hosea 11:1-11
- Psalm 107:1-9,43
- Colossians 3:1-11
- Luke 12:13-21

Rosters:

Cleaning: Leighton, Ruth & Zara

Flowers:

8am:

Sidespersons: John Girdlestone

Reader: Devin Combs Bowles

10am:

Sidespeople: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp
Readers: 1st Beryl Holder, 2nd Chris Cheah
Children's Ministry: Stephen & Rebecca Palethorpe
Morning Tea: Avigail Arbanel & Ian Barnes

Pandora's income from 20th and 21st July reported next week!

reserved for future development of the parish and Pandora's

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The Revd Richard Carter
representing
ABM and Anglicord
will speak on

"The Church and Society in the Solomon Islands"

at Holy Cross Anglican Church Hackett.
5 - 7pm Saturday 4th August

Come and share in fellowship.
A light supper will be served.

Richard Carter

English Priest Richard Carter lived and worked in the Solomon Islands for 17 years, first as a teacher and then with the Melanesian Brotherhood — an Anglican community who commit to live a simple life of prayer, poverty, peace-making and celibacy.

When civil conflict broke out across the Solomon Islands in the 1990s, the legal system, police force and economy collapsed. But the Melanesian brothers became mediators and relief workers — trusted

by people on all sides of the conflict.

So in 2005, people throughout the world were shocked to hear the news that seven Melanesian Brothers had been brutally murdered.

For three months, Richard and the community had waited, prayed and hoped that the men had been taken hostage and would one day be released. But the terrible truth is that the men were murdered at the very start of their peace mission.

Richard has written a book that draws from his journal and letters from that time, titled *Search of the Lost: the death and life of seven peacemakers of the Melanesian Brotherhood*.

Richard asks, what happened to these brave, talented men who were prepared to risk their lives to help others? He also writes about how he faced such conflict and tragedy, and how he made sense of that through his Christian faith.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, says "this wonderful book brings to life ... the struggle to make sense of the sacrifice and trauma of these last year, the joy of their witness.

Everyday life can discourage the impulse to care for your neighbour. Walking away rather than helping has become a more and more acceptable option.

With such cultural aversion to self-sacrifice, can we see any value in laying down one's life for one's friends?

Now Richard works at St Martin-in-the-Field Anglican church in London and works with homeless people, but has a great love for the people of the Solomon Islands.

