

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The World: An end to the ongoing cycle of violence in Iraq. For an end to the blockade of Gaza

Australia: Communities taking action to combat binge drinking. Wisdom in the debate over culling of Kangaroos.

The Church: The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn, Bishop Allan Ewing, Administrator and Bishop Trevor Edwards. Preparations for the election of our diocesan bishop. Diocese of Newcastle: Bishops Brian Farran, Graeme Rutherford, Clergy and People. St George's Anglican Life Centre, Pearce: Brett Morgan (Karen), David Piok, Des McGuire (Tania), Matt Anstey (Elizabeth). St Stephen's, Kambah: Peta Thorpe (Garry). St Matthew's, Wanniasa: Trevor Edwards (Ruth), Josh Dinale (Kristy). Lanyon Valley Anglican Church Special Ministry District: Jonathan Holt (Ruth). St Mary-in-the-Valley, South Tuggeranong: Gillian Varcoe, Geoff Hoad (Patricia) with the Calwell Neighbourhood Centre. Mother's Union. For Robin Moore and the Northbourne Flats Community Centre Monday Program and for Pandora's at O'Connor.

Those in need: Pray for: Delwyn, Barbara Allen, Paul and Alyssa, Melissa and Samuel, Christine Smith, Lynn Edwards, Janet and family, Wendy Woodbridge, Michael, Sandra Patch, Frank Faulkner, Bp. Owen Dowling, Claude Woodbridge, Stewart Barrett, Toni O'Brien, Michael Cockayne, Jill Scott, Yoko and Jutaro Murase, Ian Wright, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt, John Cunliffe, Betty Ingram, Gwen Hitchens.

The Departed: Peter Cullen, Odette Upstill, John Cousins d.14/3/1994, Mary MacDonnell d.14/3/99.

THIS WEEK

Monday to Wednesday	8.30am:	Morning Prayer
	5.00pm:	Holy Communion or Evening Prayer
Tuesday	10.30am	Kankinya Nursing Home - Holy Communion
	5.30pm:	Meditation
Wednesday	10am:	Holy Communion
	11am	Lent Study
Thursday	6.30 for 7pm	Passover Dinner – <i>details previous page</i>
Friday	GOOD FRIDAY - <i>details previous page</i>	
	10am-1pm:	Pandora's CLOSED
Saturday	10am-1pm:	Pandora's OPEN – Jeanette McHugh

NEXT SUNDAY 7am & 10am Eucharist

Readings: Acts 10.34-43 Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3.1-4 Matthew 28.1-10

Rosters:
Cleaning: Volunteers
Flowers: Jeanette McHugh
8am: Sidespeople: Volunteer
Reader: Shane Woodburn
10am: Sidespeople: Helen Palethorpe, James Kim & Brian McKinlay
Readers: 1st Ann Munro, 2nd Sarah Gowty
Communion Servers: Sarah & Tim Gowty
Morning Tea: *Easter Breakfast leftovers!*

Pandora's income from 7 & 8 March \$1311.20

Reserved for future development of the Parish & Pandora's

"Come and see," said Philip

Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor!

Sunday 16 March 2008

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION (PALM SUNDAY)

Hosanna to the Son of David

8.00am & 10am Eucharist

The Service begins on page 119 of the Prayer Book

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a Psalm 31.9-18 Philippians 2.5-11 Matthew
26.14-27.66

10am Hymns: Together in Song: 244, 279, 231, 341 (v.1-3,7), 348

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.

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

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Hon. Priests: Rev. Doug Bannerman & Rev. Jeannette McHugh.

Hon. Deacon: Rev. Linda Anchell

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Rob Lamerton

Rosters 8am: Lay Minister: Stephen Billett
Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn
Reader: Stephen Billett

10am: Lay Minister: Brian McKinlay
Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes
Sidespeople: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson
Readers: 1st Brian McKinlay, 2nd Denise Manley
Communion Servers: Grace, Linda Anchell & Doug Bannerman
Morning Tea: James Kim & Roger Sharp

Greetings to all!

We come to the week called Holy Week, the last week of Lent when we are encouraged to do all that last minute self examination and prayer to make ready to enter into the events of Jesus' suffering and death so that we also might be more able to enter into his risen life!

Passion Sunday (Latin "passio" means "suffering" may also reflect the strong emotions of this time) is also Palm Sunday as we enter into Jerusalem with Jesus and journey to the cross. The palm crosses we distribute recall the victory of Jesus' arrival as well as his suffering and death!

When we read the accounts of the crucifixion of Jesus especially in the gospel of John we notice a definite anti-Jewish feeling. We hear that "the Jews" were against Jesus! Such passages reflect an anti-Semitic bias which was growing and was even encouraged by the Roman governing authorities at the time the gospels were written. We should NOT read them as some later generations have and blame "the Jews" for killing Jesus! The death of Jesus must be laid squarely at the feet of collective humanity which is prepared to see human life sacrificed rather than wrestle with the issues of justice and fairness!

Last week at our Electoral meeting those nominated and/or elected are: Rector's Warden James Kim, Wardens Doreen Odom and Roger Sharp. Parish Councillors: Shane Woodburn, Fred Anchell and Fiona Dyer. Clergy Appointment Board: Chris Cheah, Denise Manley and Brian McKinlay or Ian Cousins. Synod Reps: Brian McKinlay, Devin Combs Bowles and Helen Palethorpe. Reserve Synod Reps. Kerry Anne Cousins, Sarah Gowty and Ashton Robinson. A Coordinator for the Fair is yet to be appointed!

Rob Lamerton.

Weekly Offering / income needed to operate our Parish \$1690 per week,
excludes rental income.

Offerings received 9 March \$856.40 + EFT \$508 = \$1364.40 **Shortfall of \$325.60**

WHAT'S HAPPENING VERY SOON!

Help! Easter Preparations!! Cleaning! Flowers! Servers! etc.

The cleaning roster is empty for Easter! Surely we can gather a team to spruce up the church on Saturday! All welcome at 9am (or earlier!). Donations of flowers (white yellow or gold) are needed by 8am Saturday to decorate St Philip's for Easter!

THIS WEEK -- HOLY WEEK

Monday 17 & Tuesday 18 March 5pm: Holy Communion

Wednesday 19 March 10am & 5pm: Holy Communion

**Thursday 20 March – Maundy Thursday 6.30 for 7pm:
Passover Dinner, Foot washing, Last Supper & Stripping of the Sanctuary**
Please see notice in Foyer or talk to Pat Forbes for further details, \$8 per person.

Friday 21 March – Good Friday 3pm – 6pm
3pm: Dramatised Passion reading
4pm: Meditations 5pm: Evening Prayer

Sunday 23 March – Easter Day 6am: Lighting of the New Fire
Please note: ** 7am: Eucharist with Hymns ** Please Note**
8am-9.30am: Easter Celebration Breakfast & Children's Easter egg hunt.
Please see notice in Foyer regarding contributions for the breakfast, all welcome
10am: Sung Eucharist

Sunday 6 April – Easter 3 10am Kid's inclusive Service

Sunday 4 May – St Philip's Day 10am: Sung Eucharist
followed by lunch in the courtyard!

"Pandora's at O'Connor" - Coordinator required!

An able bodied person is needed ASAP (by 1st June!) to replace the current worn out one! Talk to Rob or Sandy or call 61617334.

Do you love working with children? Are you passionate about teaching the word of God in ways that engage children?

St Philip's Anglican Church in O'Connor is looking for a coordinator to run its school age and preschool Sunday program.

Hours: up to 8 hours per week (including Sunday).

Interested? Contact Rob Lamerton on 61617334 for more details