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Welcome @ St Philip's O'Connor!

"Come and see," said Philip

Sunday 16 November 2008

Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The service begins on page 119 of the Prayer Book.

Readings: Zephaniah 1.7, 12-18 Psalm: 90.1-8, 12 *page 318*
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11 Matthew 25.14-30

10am Hymns: *Together in Song; 477, 652, 163 & 611*
during Communion: "All in the April Evening"
music by J Michael Diack, words by Katharine Tynan Hinkson

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.

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

Hon. Deacon: Rev'd Linda Anchell

Wardens: James Kim, Doreen Sengati-Odom & Roger Sharp

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Ray Williamson

Flowers: Sandy Lamerton

8am:

Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn

Reader: Volunteer

10am:

Lay Minister: Brian McKinlay

Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

Soloist: Avigail Abarbanel

Sidespeople: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson

Bible Readers: 1st Richard Adams, 2nd Doug Bannerman

Chalice Servers: Grace B, Doug B & James Kim

Morning Tea: James Kim & helpers

Dear Friends,

May I offer you a very warm welcome as we gather for our Sunday Eucharist at St Philip's on this 27th Sunday

after Pentecost. Today is the second of three Sundays when we hear the three well-known parables that make up the 25th chapter of Matthew's Gospel. Today's parable –The Talents – continues the basic theme of 'getting ready', though with particular advice about how to approach that preparation.

Next Sunday will be the final Sunday in the Church's year – the Sunday before Advent – when we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. I hope you will be able to worship with us at one of the morning Eucharists as we observe this special feast day in the Christian calendar.

It is also the day when we are to have Evening Prayer here at St Philip's as a Parish Memorial Service for Rob Lamerton. It will commence at 5.30pm, and I also hope you will be able to come to it as well as invite others who have known Rob and to whom he ministered over the years. Please note that as a very special contribution to this Memorial, Colin Forbes will be offering a Beethoven Piano Recital that will commence at 4.15pm. The children are also preparing something as an expression of their own memory of Rob, and we ask that anyone else who wishes to offer a reading, music, etc, during the Service will let us know by today.

This morning, no doubt many people are feeling weary after the extraordinarily wonderful effort in organising, preparing and running the St Philip's Twilight Fair yesterday. Along with everyone who enjoyed it, I want to express very deep and sincere appreciation to all who did so much to make possible this important event that is also significant outreach to the broader community. Thank you!

Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray

Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish \$2000 per week,
excludes rental income.

Offerings received 2 November \$921.10 + EFT \$508 = \$1429.10. **Shortfall \$570.90**

Organ Fund \$130.50

Twilight Fair \$205

Pandora's income 7 & 8 Nov. \$246.50

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The World: Democratic Republic of the Congo; Continue in prayer for Zimbabwe.

The Church: The Lusitanian Church - (Portugal) The Rt Revd Fernando Soares

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; Calwell Neighbourhood Centre; **Mother's Union:**

Pray for: The Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, Leader of the Opposition Brendan Nelson, Members of Parliament.

Our Community: Northbourne Community Centre

Those in need: Clive Lowes, Jean Pound, Betty Jennings, Werner Heinkle, Nigel Burn, Delwyn, Paul & Alyssa, Melissa & Samuel, Christine Smith, David Marsden, Janet & family, Frank Faulkner, Claude Woodbridge, Stewart Barrett, Michael Cockayne, Jill Scott, Yoko & Jutaro Murase, Ian Wright, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt, Betty Ingram, Gwen Hitchens, Pat & Rex, Peter

Those that mourn: The family of John Cunliffe

The Departed: John Cunliffe d.7.11-08, William Keal Trivett d.15/11/90, Stanley Roy Vincent d.16/11/02

The Saints: Hilda of Whitby, abbess (d680); Hugh, bishop of Lincoln (d1200); Elizabeth of Hungary (d1231)

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 7.30pm Home Group @ Brian & James

Wednesday 10am: Holy Communion

5pm Evening Prayer

Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Kerry-Anne Cousins & Meg Colwell

Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Jeanette McHugh & Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

NEXT SUNDAY

8am & 10am Eucharist

Readings: Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100 Ephesians 1.15-23 Matthew 25.31-46

Rosters: Cleaning: Volunteers

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

8am: Sidespeople: Volunteer

Reader: Shannon Tow

10am: Sidespeople: Helen Palethorpe, Brian McKinlay & James Kim

Children's Ministry: ??

Bible Readers: 1st Linda Anchell, 2nd Fred Anchell
Communion Servers: Doreen Sengati-Odom & Leighton Mann
Morning Tea:

Margaret Woodbridge & Helper

BUS FOR ORDINATIONS' SERVICE IN GOULBURN

St John's is hiring a bus to travel to Goulburn on Saturday 29 November 2008 for the Ordination service at 11.00 am at St Saviour's Cathedral.

The bus will leave St John's (43 Constitution Avenue, Reid) at 8.30 am (this will allow an early arrival at the Cathedral as seats cannot be booked) and return around 3.00 pm. The cost is \$25 per person (\$75 for a family). Bookings by 22 Nov. Contact St John's Parish office on 6248 8399 or email admin@stjohnscanberra.org

WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

Next Sunday 23 November

Christ the King – Sung Eucharist 10am

Beethoven Piano Recital by Colin Forbes **4.15pm**

Donations welcome for the Organ Restoration Fund in Memory of Rob Lamerton.

Memorial service for Rob Lamerton 5.30pm

A service of Evening Prayer to remember Rob Lamerton and celebrate his life will be held on the feast of Christ the King. Members of the St Philip's family are invited to share things that celebrate Rob and remind us of him. You might like to read a prayer, poem, scripture or other selection, sing or play a piece of music, tell a brief story about Rob, or display a photo or art work. Or you may prefer simply to sit and reflect. The service will include sharing with the children. This will also be an opportunity for those who could not attend the funeral to participate in giving thanks for Rob's life. If you would like to contribute to this special service, please advise Brian McKinlay today

First Sunday of Advent Sunday 30 November

Preaching: Rev Linda Anchell

Second Sunday of Advent Sunday 7 December

Preaching: Brian McKinlay

Evening Advent Service Sunday 7 December, 7.30pm

including CAMRA's performance of Benjamin Britten's *Ceremony of Carols*
followed by a shared supper, please bring a plate

Third Sunday of Advent Sunday 14 December

Preaching: Chris Cheah

Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday 21 December

Preaching: Rev Jeanette McHugh

St Philip's Carol Service Sunday 21 December, 7.30pm

followed by a shared supper, please bring a plate

Christmas Eve Wednesday 24 December

Children's Service 7pm

Carol Singing 11pm

Midnight Mass 11.30pm

Christmas Day Thursday 25 December

Eucharist 9am

From the Clergy Appointment Board

The formal process for choosing a new Rector will not start until next year. In the meantime and to feed into the formal process, we as a Parish need to do some thinking about our requirements and our future. Things we are required to address with the Bishop or his delegate include the Strengths of the Parish, Weaknesses of the Parish,

Most important needs of the Parish, Hopes and plans for the future and the Personal qualities seen to be important in a new Priest. We expect that, in addition to the activity of the Clergy Appointment Board, the whole Parish will have the opportunity to meet with the Bishop or his delegate during the process.

Please take some time to think of these things, pray about them and write down the thoughts which come to you. It is very important that these are passed on to us for consideration when the time comes.

Chris Cheah, Denise Manley and Ian Cousins.

Your thoughts & comments:

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