

"Come and see," said Philip
Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor!

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Wardens: Ruth McGorman-Mann, Denise Manley J.P. & Roger Sharp

Sunday 26 April 2009

Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am Eucharist & 10am Sung Eucharist

The service begins on page 119 of the (Green) Prayer Book.

Readings: Acts 3.12-20
Psalm 4 – page 225
1 John 2.15-17, 3.1-6
Luke 24.36-48

10am Hymns: *Together in Song*
392, 382, 431 & 387(tune 84)

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Ray Williamson

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

8am:

Sidespeople: Volunteers

Reader: Volunteer

10am:

Lay Minister: Sarah Gowty

Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

Sidespeople: Helen Palethorpe, James Kim & Brian McKinlay

Bible Readers: 1st Fred Anchell, 2nd Ann Munro

Chalice Servers: Doreen Sengati-Odom & Leighton Mann

Morning Tea: Margaret Woodbridge & Val Reeves

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.

Dear Friends,

Welcome to St Philip's this morning again as we continue our observance of the Easter season, today being the Third Sunday of Easter.

What a marvellous success it was! What wonderful entertainment! Such fun! Those of us who were fortunate enough to go to a performance of *Twinsets & Pearls* last weekend had a truly delightful evening. To Pat and Colin, and to Janene and Leila we offer a great thanks. What talent! To the Food @ St Philip's team we offer our appreciation for the delicious culinary – and 'other' - delights. Altogether it was a highly enjoyable occasion; and very successful too in its primary purpose: \$1,500 was the financial outcome for the Organ Restoration Fund. Well done, indeed!

Last week, I mentioned the suggestion for another study series; this time – A Journey through the Old Testament. Several people have expressed interest, and so the proposal is to commence on Wednesday 20th May, then 27th May and 3rd June. After a one-week interval, we would continue on 17th and 24th June, and conclude on 1st July. I have prepared a small leaflet setting out these and other details, and this is available today, as well as an opportunity to let me know definitely whether you would wish to participate. Given those who have already expressed an interest, I expect the study will be held both in the mornings and the evenings on those dates.

This morning, you are also invited to take a copy of the current ABM Partners magazine.

Next Sunday we will be observing the Patronal Festival of the parish – St Philip's Day. Following the 10.00am Sung Eucharist, there will be a parish luncheon, and elsewhere you can read details about the arrangements. I hope you can be with us to celebrate what is always a special day in the annual life of the parish.

Every blessing for the week ahead, Ray.

Parish Food Pantry

Thank you for continuing to supply non-perishable food for those people in our community who so badly need it. Please note that we have a good supply of pasta at present but in need of pasta sauce, long life milk, tins of hearty soup, breakfast cereals and ready-to-eat meals. All contributions are sincerely welcomed. Please place them in the basket on Sundays.

Thanks, Helen Palethorpe.

Farewell Gift for Sandy

The opportunity to contribute to a farewell gift for Sandy is still open for the next couple of weeks. Contributions can be placed in the plate clearly marked as for Sandy's farewell gift. It is intended that after she has settled into Bathurst, we will ask Sandy what she needs for her new house.

WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

St Philip's Day – Parish Lunch

Next Sunday, 3 May

Following 10am Service - **BBQ with Salads & Desserts.**

Please bring a salad or dessert to share and a gold coin donation for the BBQ.

Fruit punch supplied, BYO wine.

St Philip's Day – Parish Bike ride to the Lake

Following the lunch, everyone is welcome to join Ann Munro for a cycle to the lake!

St Philip's Market Morning

Saturday 9 May, 8am – 12 noon

Trash & treasure (Garage sale items): more items welcome, please bring them along on the morning.

Volunteers needed from 6am to help unpack and set up.

Pandora's: opening early

Plants: Terry is running the Plant stall & looking for any plants, cutting etc.

Sausage sizzle or Egg & bacon rolls: looking for volunteer(s) to run the BBQ.

Morning Tea: looking for people to make scones or muffins.

Denise will serve/sell on the morning.

Please talk to Denise if you can make a batch.

Space available for your own stall!

All profits will go towards the Rectory renovations.

Please see Leighton for any other details - 0418 686033

Working Bee - Rectory Garden

Saturday 23 May, 9am - 12 noon

Please put this date in your diary. Advice will be provided closer to the date on the types of tools needed for the tasks before us. Trailers will be needed to take prunings away.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The World: Seafarers held hostage by pirates;
those who seek sanctuary in Australia; Sri Lanka.

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Eritrea, Ethiopia

Anglican Communion: Nicaragua - (Central America) The Rt Rev'd Sturdie Downs. Diocese of Wangaratta:
Bishop John Parkes, Clergy and People

Parishes and ministries of the far south coast: Bega, Merimbula and Twofold Bay.

Pray for: The Church's ministry in holiday resorts.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes,
Helen Gorrell, Paul & Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Owen Kershaw, Ann, Stephen, Michael & Alexander Mann

The Saints: Catherine of Siena (d.1380); Philip and James, Apostles and martyrs; Athanasius (d.373)

from the churches of Eritrea and Ethiopia:

O God Eternal, good beyond all that is good,

fair beyond all that is fair,

in whom is calmness and peace:

reconcile the differences which divide us from one another

and bring us back into the unity of love which may bear

some likeness to your divine nature.

Grant that we may be spiritually one,

both within ourselves and with one another,

through the grace, mercy and tenderness of your son, Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion

Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN - Margaret Woodbridge & Fay Pankhurst

Saturday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN - Beryl Blaseotto & Rhyanna Tarlington

NEXT SUNDAY

8am & 10am Eucharist

Readings: Acts 4.5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3.16-24 John 10.11-18

Rosters: Cleaning: Sally & Richard Adams

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

8am: Sidespeople: John Girdlestone

Reader: John Girdlestone

10am: Sidespeople: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp

Bible Readers: 1st Fiona Dyer, 2nd Chris Cheah

Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty

Morning Tea: *Volunteers or no Morning Tea*

Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish \$2090 per week,
excludes rental income.
Offerings received 19 April: \$747.75 + EFT \$508 = \$1255.75 **Shortfall \$834.25**
Pandora's 17 & 18 April \$493.45
Parish Mission Projects \$100 (Food @ St Philip's - Tim's party)

*Items for the Pewsheet and names for the Prayer list (add or remove), please forward to Leighton by Thursday!
leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au or 6161 7133*

Church bulletin typos!

*Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM.
All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B. S. is done.
The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him
their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.*

*Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM.
Please use the back door.*

*The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the
Church basement Friday at 7 PM.
The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.*