

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The World: Zimbabwe; El Salvador and its new government;
With Christians in China, Hong Kong, Macau we pray for the rural poor,
and those forced to labour in the countryside

The Anglican Church in Mumbai - (North India) The Rt Revd Prakash
Dinkar Patole

Diocese of Sydney: Archbishop Peter Jensen, Clergy and People.

St John's, Wagga Wagga: John Stead, clergy and people and their ministries
in hospitals, schools and juvenile justice. Chaplains in the workplace.

Our Parish: For mothers in the parish, old and young. (with thanks!)

Our Community: Women in Black and those who keep us aware.

Those in need: Shirley Barrett, Stewart Barrett, Clive Lowes, Mira Barratt,
Christine Smith, David Marsden, Mervyn McInnes, Helen Gorrell, Paul &
Elissa, Melissa & Samuel, Joan Ponsonby, Bonnie Loudon.

The Faithful Departed: Jean Hamilton Gordon Parke d.17/3/87, Marjorie
Wright d.19/3/02, Noel Lovett Barratt d.20/3/99, John Robert Dimmick
d.22/3/71

The Saints: Paul Couturier, ecumenist (d1953); Oscar Romero, Archbishop
of San Salvador, (d.1980)

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 10am: Holy Communion

5pm: Evening Prayer

Friday 10am-1pm: Pandora's OPEN – Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans

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

NEXT SUNDAY

8am & 10am Eucharist

Readings: Jeramiah 31.31-34 Psalm 119.9-16 Hebrews 5.5-14 John 12.20-33

Rosters: Cleaning: Ann Munro & Denise Manley

8am: Sidespeople: volunteer

Reader: volunteer

10am: Sidespeople: Grace Barnes & Hardy Palethorpe

Bible Readers: 1st Richard Adams, 2nd David Tucharke

Communion Servers: Linda Anchell & Helper

Morning Tea: Ann Munro & Helen Palethorpe

Weekly Offering/income needed to operate our Parish \$2090 per week,
excludes rental income.

Offerings received 15 March: \$ 797.05 + EFT \$508 = \$1305.05. **Shortfall \$784.95**
Pandora's income 13 & 14 March \$451.05

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

Sunday 22 March 2009

Fourth Sunday in Lent

8am Eucharist:

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

10am Baptism & Eucharist

Please see service booklet

Readings: Numbers 21.4-9

Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22 – page 337

Ephesians 2.1-10

John 3.14-21

10am Music:

Together in Song: 477, 164, 720, 606, 245

Trisagion:

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.*

Presiding: Rev'd Ray Williamson **Preaching:** Rev'd Jeannette McHugh

8am:

Sidespeople: volunteer

Reader: Shane Woodburn

10am: Lay Minister: Rev'd Doug Bannerman

Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes

Sidespeople: James Kim, Brian McKinlay & Helen Palethorpe

Bible Readers: 1st Ann Munro, 2nd ??

Communion Servers: Leighton Mann & Doreen Sengati-Odom

Morning Tea: Margaret Woodbridge & Val Reeves

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

Dear Friends,

I welcome very warmly everyone who gathers at St Philip's today, the Fourth Sunday in Lent, for our celebration of the Eucharist and, at 10.00am, also a Baptism.

The Fourth Sunday in Lent is often called Refreshment Sunday. It comes just a little over half-way through Lent, and the Gospel reading for the day in the original English Prayer Books in the 16th century was the Feeding of the Five Thousand. So it came to be thought of as an appropriate day to relax the Lenten fast, and be refreshed for the observance of the very holy time in the following few weeks.

Maybe because of this, the day also came to be known as Mothering Sunday, although no one is absolutely certain how the idea of Mothering Sunday began. However, it is known that on this day, about four hundred years ago, people made a point of visiting their nearest big church (the Mother Church), if possible a cathedral, which is known as the 'mother church' of all other churches in a diocese. People who visited their mother church would say they had gone "a mothering". Another practice related to this day was that young girls and boys 'in service' (maids and servants) were only allowed one day to visit their family each year. This was usually Mothering Sunday. Often the housekeeper or cook would allow the maids to bake a cake to take home for their mother. Sometimes a gift of eggs or flowers from the garden was allowed. The most favoured cake was the 'simnel cake'. In these ways people honoured both their mothers and the church, and it became the practice to distribute simnel cake at church on this day.

I'll to thee a Simnell bring
'Gainst thou go'st a mothering,
So that, when she blesseth thee,
Half that blessing thou'lt give to me.'

Robert Herrick 1648

As we move into the second half of Lent, please make note of the list of all the Services that will be held here at St Philip's during Holy Week. I encourage you to make it a high priority to take every opportunity to worship during this most sacred week in our Christian year.

Every blessing to you all for this week that has now begun, Ray

From the new President of El Salvador, Mauricio Funes: "...one of the most significant changes is that we will no longer have a government at the service of a privileged few. And we will no longer have a government that creates an economy of privileges for the privileged. Now, we need a government like the one envisioned by Monsignor Oscar Arnulfo Romero, who in his prophetic message said that the church should have a preferential option for the poor."

WHAT'S ON @ ST PHILIP'S

J.S. Bach's St John Passion **Friday 27 March, 8pm** All Saints, Ainslie
Sunday 29 March, 3pm St Philip's, O'Connor

Present by Igitur Nos and CAMRA. Full price: \$25, Concessions: \$15
Bookings at www.camra.asn.au. Refreshments by Food @ St Philip's (both locations)

Palm Sunday **Sunday 5 April**
8.00am Eucharist and Blessing of Palms
10.00am Blessing of Palms, Procession and Sung Eucharist

Monday in Holy Week
7.00pm Eucharist

Tuesday in Holy Week
5.00pm Eucharist

Wednesday in Holy Week
10.00am Eucharist
7.00pm Eucharist

Maundy Thursday **Thursday 9 April**
7.00pm Passover Meal, followed by;
Footwashing and Eucharist of the Last Supper
Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday **Friday 10 April**
12.00noon The Good Friday Liturgy - till 3.00pm

Easter Day **Sunday 12th April**
6.00am Lighting of New Fire and Easter Candle;
Easter Vigil and
(7.00am) Sung Eucharist
8.00am – 9.30 Celebration Breakfast – *details out soon.*
10.00am Sung Eucharist (with incense)

Gala Cabaret Supper **Saturday 18 April, 8pm**
Presented by CAMRA & Food @ St Philip's. A brand new cabaret show, written by Pat Forbes. A fundraiser for the Organ Restoration fund. Tickets on sale soon.
The cast of the Gala Cabaret need to borrow 2 flour sifters and 3 fur stoles (fox with the head still on would be good!) If anyone can oblige, please see Pat Forbes after the service today, or contact Pat at cazf@ozemail.com.au. Watch this space.
We may need more as the time draws closer!!

St Philip's Day – Parish Lunch **Sunday 3 May, following 10am Service**

St Philip's Market Morning **Saturday 9 May, 8am – 12 noon**
Trash & treasure, Pandora's, Plants, Sausage sizzle, Morning Tea, and space for your own stall. Please see Leighton for details.

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EARTH HOUR PRAYER VIGIL

Church of St Alban the Martyr, Woden

34 Chappell Street LYONS

Saturday 28 March 8:30 - 9:30pm

The intimacy and simplicity of St Alban's, Woden, will provide a space for people to gather to give thanks for the beauty of creation, to pray for the wise use of the earth's resources and for governments and individuals to take action on climate change. Silence and contemplative music will be a feature of the candlelight prayer vigil, as well as an address from David Grice; CSIRO Scientist and environmental activist.

Please bring a torch!

Barbara, aged 60, single, friendly and new to Canberra, is looking for shared accommodation with another friendly woman. She would prefer accommodation close to shops. Please call 62472399 or look for her at the 10am Sunday service.

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