

*"Come and see", said Philip*

# *Welcome to St Philip's*

Welcome to 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.

## **Fourth Sunday of Easter 3rd May 2009**

**8am & 10am Sung Eucharist**

**Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Dr Ray Williamson**

*8am & 10am The service of second order Holy Communion begins on  
page 119 of the Green Prayer book.*

Readings:

- Isaiah 30.18-21
- Psalm 19:1-6
- 1 Corinthians 15.1-8
- John 14.6-14

**10am Hymns:** [Together in Song](#) 433, 226, 455 (vss 1,2,3,4,7,8)  
and 469

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

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege and a pleasure to be able to welcome you to St Philip's this morning as we celebrate the Patronal Festival of the parish — St Philip's Day.

Patronal festivals are very important occasions in the yearly cycle of a parish's life. They certainly are an occasion for bringing the parish community together for a day of celebration, and they also help to remind us of the significance of being named in honour, and under the patronage, of one of the key foundational figures in the Church.

Of course, we do not know very much about Philip, the Apostle. He is named in the list of the twelve apostles in the first three gospels, and he features four times in the fourth gospel. There is another Philip, a Deacon and Evangelist, who is a little more prominent in the Acts of the Apostles, and though there is an early tradition (going back to the late first century) that identifies the two, it seems obvious enough from the New Testament that they were two different people with quite different roles in the first generation of Christians. Today, we remember Philip, the Apostle.

Two stories in John's Gospel present him as an approachable, welcoming, inviting person. In one story, the Greeks who were seeking Jesus first come to Philip with their request. But it is the first story that features prominently in our memory. Philip is the one who tells Nathaniel about Jesus, with the invitation, "Come and see".

As we celebrate this St Philip's Day, we also celebrate the fact that this parish, under his patronage, seeks to be a community of faith that is open and approachable, inviting and welcoming, pointing people to Jesus.

With our worship this morning, and the luncheon to follow, I hope that we all have a time of joyous celebration of this Patronal Festival.

Finally, another brief reminder about the study series: — A Journey through the Old Testament. I want to confirm that it will commence on Wednesday 20th May, and I refer you to the small leaflet on which all the dates and other details are set out for you.

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

Ray

**TODAY'S SERVICES:**

Flowers: Jeannette McHugh (autumn)

**8am:**

Sidespersons: John Girdlestone

Reader: John Girdlestone

**10am:**

Deacon: Linda Anchell

Organist/pianist: Colin Forbes & Alexander O'Sullivan

(with thanks to Alexander's group for the Festival Te Deum in E, Opus 32, 1944 by Benjamin Britten and Psalm 23 setting by Howard Goodall (Vicar of Dibley theme)

Sidespersons: Chris Cheah & Roger Sharp

Readers: 1st Fiona Dyer (Richard W), 2nd Chris Cheah

Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gowty

Morning Tea: St Philip's Day Luncheon...

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** Peacemakers in Sudan, Uganda and Sri Lanka.

**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Sudan, Uganda

**The Anglican Church in:** North Central Philippines — The Rt Revd Joel A Pachao

Diocese of Armidale: Bishop Peter Brain, Clergy and People  
St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn: Dean Phillip Saunders; and  
the Cathedral Chapter; Goulburn Mental Health Service  
Chaplaincy: Mark Cooper

Pray for: Anglicare activities in Goulburn and regions.

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

The Saints: Philip and James, Apostles; John, apostle and  
martyr, Julian of Norwich (d.1417)

*"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](#)

10am: St Philip's team @ Calvary Hospital Chapel

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**Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish  
\$2090** (excludes rental income.)

Offerings received 26 April: \$618 + EFT \$508 = \$1126

Shortfall \$964

Pandora's income 24 April \$254.40 (not open on Anzac Day)  
— Reserved for future development of the Parish

Organ Restoration Fund \$1500 — from CAMRA & Food @ St Philip's Gala Cabaret Supper

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.

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.

### THIS WEEK

- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion
- **Friday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Ann & Baden Williams
- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Sally Adams & Ann Munro

### NEXT SUNDAY

Readings:

- Acts 8:26-40
- Psalm 22:26-32
- 1John 4:7-21
- John 15:1-8

#### **Rosters:**

Cleaning: Helen & Hardy Palethorpe

Flowers: Val Reeves

#### **8am:**

Sidespersons: volunteer

Reader: Rhonda Evans

#### **10am:**

Sidespeople: Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe

Readers: 1st Anne Bannerman, 2nd Doug Bannerman

Communion Servers: Ruth McGorman-Mann & Hardy

Palethorpe

Morning Tea: Sengati family

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**Ministry teams at St Philip's**

**Acting Rector (*locum*):** Rev'd Ray Williamson

**Wardens:** Ruth McGorman Mann, Denise Manley,  
and Roger Sharp

**Buildings and Maintenance:** Roger Sharp

**Social:**

**Secretary:**

**Treasurer:** Shane Woodburn

**Pastoral Care:**

Councillors: Fred Anchell, Sally Adams, Ian Cousins,  
Pat Forbes, Tim Gowty

**Please, please, please let me know of any problems!**

