

"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.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter  
24th 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:

- Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
- Psalm 1
- 1 John 5:9-13
- John 17:6-19

**10am Hymns:** [Together in Song](#) 387, 521 (vss 1, 2, & 4) and separate sheet.

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

Dear Friends,

The Easter season is almost over. Today is the Seventh Sunday of Easter, and I gladly welcome you to St Philip's for our celebration of the Eucharist this morning.

Today also is the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). There are a couple of resources to assist us in our observance of this week. There is a small Prayer Card available for everyone to take, to use each day this week, and to keep as a reminder of the on-going quest for the visible unity of the Church. I have also made copies of a leaflet that sets out the bible readings, reflections and prayers for each of the eight days of prayer for unity. This comes from the resources for the 2009 WPCU that have been prepared internationally and based on the initial work done by an ecumenical group in Korea. Please remember also the special observance of the Week that has been planned for this area. At 8.00am next Saturday we are invited to the Churches of Christ, Limestone Ave, Ainslie to have breakfast and pray together. For catering purposes, we have to give the numbers by tomorrow, so I would be grateful if you would write your name on the paper for this purpose.

The WPCU concludes at Pentecost, the date of which is determined by the date of Easter. Not always, but often it partly coincides with another Week of Prayer in Australia — the Week of Prayer for Reconciliation. This is always between two set dates: 27th May and 3rd June, and follows immediately after Sorry Day, 26th May, the date of the release of the report from the Royal Commission into the Stolen Generations. This, too, is a matter for our prayers, and you will find that the leaflet of daily readings and prayers for the WPCU will also direct your thinking and prayers to matters relating to Reconciliation.

Yes, next Sunday is Pentecost — one of the great festivals in the Church's year, often referred to as the Church's birthday. Red is the colour for the celebration — both in the church and on each person. Please wear your red...!

Ray

**TODAY'S SERVICES:**

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

**8am:**

Sidespersons: volunteer  
Reader: Shane Woodburn

**10am:**

Deacon: Rev'd Linda Anchell  
Organist/pianist: Colin Forbes  
Sidespersons: Brian McKinlay & James Kim  
Readers: 1st Fred Anchell, 2nd Brian McKinlay  
Chalice Servers: Doreen Sengati-Odom & Leighton Mann

Morning Tea: Margaret Woodbridge & Val Reeves

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:** Botswana, Zimbabwe: The leaders of government and their success in bringing economic progress, education and health care to their people.

**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Week of prayer for Christian Unity and Anglican Communion Sunday

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of The Murray: Bishop Ross Davies, Clergy and People

Parishes of: Tumut and Adelong; South-West Slopes Ministry District (the Parishes of Batlow and Tumbarumba) Ken Day (Janice); Mannus Correctional Centre: Ken Day

Pray for: Ministry to prisoners and prison officers.

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

**The Departed:** Winifred Irene Vollmer d.20/5/99, Charlotte Joseph d.24/5/02

The Saints: St Augustine of Canterbury (missionary and bishop d.605)

*"May the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory."*

Dear God, our builder,

you have all the building materials needed to construct our societies.

You have all the strength to put wisdom on all that has fallen apart in our lives.

You have the wisdom to reshape our world.

Inspire us with all your wisdom, strength and love, to rebuild the broken walls in our community.

(from the churches of Botswana and Zimbabwe)

On the web: [Anglican Cycle of Prayer](#)  
and the [Diocesan Cycle of Prayer](#)

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### **Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish**

**\$2090** (excludes rental income.)

Offerings received 17 May: \$604.10 + EFT \$508 = \$1112.10

Shortfall \$977.90

Pandora's income 15 & 16 May \$393 — Reserved for future development of the Parish

### **Retiring Collection**

In June there will be a Retiring collection for Nungalinga College, Darwin.

## **Notices**

### **Pentecost Sunday 31 May**

Please wear Red!

Trinity Sunday Sunday 7 June

Incense will be used at the 10am Service

### **Beethoven Piano Sonatas** Sunday 7th June at 2pm

Colin Forbes will give a recital of five of Ludwig van Beethoven's piano sonatas at St. Philip's. Admission: Adults \$25, Concessions: \$20. Refreshments will be available at Interval. For more details: <http://www.camra.asn.au/>

Housewarming & Bonfire Saturday 13 June, from 5pm

You are invited to Ruth, Leighton & Zara's for a bonfire with mulled wine & soups. Please bring some finger food and drinks to share.

48 Lachlan Street, Macquarie 61617133

### **Church Linen**

We seem to have mislaid the white lace cloth that was on the small table at the inside entrance to church (the table that has the prayer requests book on it). If anyone knows anything about it or even if you put the new cloth that is on there now, could you contact me please. Kerry-Anne Cousins 6247 4928

## THIS WEEK

- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion
- **Friday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Barbara Dowley & Rhonda Evans
- **Saturday** 10am - 1pm **Pandora's OPEN** Phillida Sturgiss-Hoy

## NEXT SUNDAY

### Readings:

- Acts 2:1-21
- Psalm 104:26-36
- Romans 8:22-27
- John 15:26-27, 16:4-15

### **Rosters:**

Cleaning: Volunteers

Flowers: Philida Sturgiss-Hoy

### **8am:**

Sidespersons: volunteer

Reader: volunteer

### **10am:**

Sidespeople: Grace Barnes & helpers

Readers: 1st Pentecost Team, 2nd David Tscharke

Communion Servers: volunteers

Morning Tea: Ann Munro & helpers

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### Five Key Points from Parish Council's May Meeting

1. The carpet, underlay and floor tiles have been removed from the Rectory, and the upgrade of the bathrooms will begin shortly. Quotes for other work are being obtained.
2. Fundraising activities for the Organ Restoration Fund have raised \$9,500 to date.
3. Work on improving the paving in the

courtyard will begin in the next week or two.

4. There will be a Retiring collection in June for Nungalinya College.
5. The Council has decided that in future no photographs will be permitted during Baptisms. Instead, a photo opportunity will be provided after the service has concluded.

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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!**

