

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Ecumenical Cycle:** Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan.

**Anglican Communion:** The Church in Wales The Most Rev'd Dr. Barry Cennydd Morgan Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Llandaff.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn: Dean Phillip Saunders, Mark Cooper, Theresa Angert-Quilter, John Campbell, Doug Hutchinson, Gail Stevenson and office staff and volunteers. Friends of St Saviour's Cathedral; Clergy on loan from the Diocese; Anglican Women of Australia; Goulburn Mental Health Service Chaplaincy: Mark Cooper; Anglicare Canberra and Goulburn: Board; Peter Sandeman CEO. Pray for: The Cathedral Chapter, and all aspects of the work and ministry of St Saviour's Cathedral, our mother church in the Diocese.

**Those in need:** Mary McGiven-Shaw, Amber Ellis, Fay Pankhurst, Joyce Webster, Jean Pound, Gwen Green, Meg Colwell, Michael Sawer, Mervyn McInnes, Vera Bowman, Myrle Bovis, Shirley Barrett.

**We remember:** Coralie Joy Rockwell Sawer (d.29/9/91); Robert Ivan Muir Dixon (d.29/9/89); Clive Lowes 2/10/2009; Lionel Bruce Holgate 5/10/02

**The Saints:** Francis of Assisi, friar and preacher; William Tyndale biblical scholar (d.1536);

### **From the Ecumenical Vvyle:**

O God, that we may receive your blessing,  
touch our brows, touch our heads,  
and do not look upon us in anger...  
When I am afraid, be my courage;  
when I am ashamed, be my true face;  
be thou over me like a blanket,  
be thou under me like a bed of furs.

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Offerings received 22 & 26 September: \$961 + EFT \$601

Pandora's @ O'Connor 24 & 25 September \$111

Donation \$50.00 Retiring Offering: Mogo, Boomerang Meeting Place \$65.00

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*Items for the Pewsheets and names for the Prayer list (add or remove), please forward to Leighton by Thursday 12 noon. leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au or 61617133*

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

## **Creation Sunday** (Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Sunday 3 October 2010

### **8am Eucharist**

### **10am Sung Eucharist**

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

**Readings:** Ezekiel 34.25-31  
Psalm 148 – page 378  
Colossians 1.15 – 20  
Luke 12.22-34

### **10am Hymns: Together in Song** **100, 668, 626, 155**

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Rebecca Newland  
Flowers: Leighton, Ruth & Zara

#### **8am:**

Bible Reader: John Girdlestone  
Sidespeople: John Girdlestone

#### **10am:**

Lay Minister:  
Thurifer: Leighton Mann  
Organist/Pianist: Colin Forbes  
Bible Readers: 1<sup>st</sup>?, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fred Anshell  
Sidespeople: Roger Sharp & Chris Cheah  
Chalice Servers: Leighton Mann & 1 more!  
Morning Tea: Ann Munro & Helen Palethorpe

**10am:** St Philip's Team @ Calvary Hospital Chapel

**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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**Rector :** Rev'd Rebecca Newland  
**Hon. Deacons:** Rev'd Linda Anshell, Rev'd Robin Moore (St Philip's Care)

**Hon. Priest:** Rev'd. Jeannette McHugh.  
**Wardens:** Helen Palethorpe, Ian Cousins & Denise Manley J.P.

Greetings,

Today is a special day to remember and celebrate the gift of creation in all its beauty and wonder. Across the Anglican Communion and indeed across the majority of Christian Churches worldwide there has been a deepening appreciation of our responsibilities and stewardship of the blessings of our earth home. Today we remember our duty to care for Earth, including other species, other human beings, and future generations, all of whom deserve to share in God's creation.

Our primary objective is based on the fifth mark of the Worldwide Anglican Communion mission: "to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and renew the life of the earth". This is not a new theology but a rediscovery of our deep connection to the world around us and God's providence. In our liturgy, through sight and sound and smell, we have the opportunity to stop and reflect on the gift of creation. Our scripture passages tell us Creation is not in any sense independent of the Creator, the result of a primal creative act long over and done with, but is the continuous, constant participation of all creatures in the being of God (Ezekiel 34). In that beautiful passage from Colossians we discover that Christ holds all things together and all things, all creation, has been reconciled to God in a new beginning (Colossians 1:15-20). And Jesus the Christ tells us in the gospel to look with open eyes at creation and put our trust in the creator who cares for all (Luke 12.22-34).

At the very beginning creation and the bible we find that God perceives the world, as he made it, to be good; that he made it for his pleasure; and that he continues to love it and to find it worthy, despite its reduction and corruption by us. To every creature the gift of life is a portion of the breath and spirit of God.

Wendell Berry states if we discover these truths we will also realise that our destruction of nature is not just bad stewardship, or stupid economics, or a betrayal of family responsibility; it is the most horrid blasphemy. It is flinging God's gifts into his face, as of no worth beyond that assigned to them by our destruction of them. So I invite you to bring your heart and mind to attend to the gift of creation and to give thanks for the providence of God who sustains all things through his loving Spirit. May we so understand, appreciate and love his gift that we will never take it for granted and will do all we can to protect, preserve and sustain it's bounty.

Peace and blessings, Rebecca

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**Twilight Fair:** As the weather warms up and it's nice to be in the garden again, don't forget to pot on plants for the Twilight Fair garden stall.

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**Bishop's Prayer for Healing Service** will be held on Wednesday 6 October 2010, at 7.00pm, at St John's Canberra. ALL WELCOME.

## THIS WEEK @ ST PHILIP'S

<b>Monday:</b>		St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre - including lunch
<b>Wednesday:</b>	10am: 7.30pm:	Holy Communion Parish Planning Group @ the Rectory (rescheduled)
<b>Thursday:</b>		Rev'd Robin Moore in Pastoral Care team at Ginninderra Gardens
<b>Friday:</b>	10am-1pm: 1pm-2pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor – Open <i>Volunteers: ?</i> Rev'd Linda Anchell @ Women in Black Vigil, Petrie Plaza, Canberra City
<b>Saturday:</b>	10am-1pm: 10.30am: 3pm:	Pandora's @ O'Connor – Open <i>Volunteers: Ann Munro &amp; Rachel Tscharke</i> Holy Communion @ Kankinya Aged Care Facility, Lyneham Food @ St Philip's: Wedding drinks & nibbles, in the Courtyard.

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## NEXT SUNDAY

## **8am & 10am Eucharist**

**Readings:** 2 Kings 5.1,9-14, Psalm 103.1-8, James 5.13-18, Luke 17.11-19

<b>Rosters:</b>	Flowers:	Kerry-Anne Cousins
<b>8am:</b>	Bible Reader:	Rhonda Evans
	Sidespeople:	Volunteer
<b>10am:</b>	Bible Readers:	1 <sup>st</sup> David Tscharke, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fiona Dyer
	Sidespeople:	Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe
	Chalice Servers:	Ruth McGorman=Mann * Hardy P
	Morning Tea:	St Philip's Kids

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## COMING EVENTS @ ST PHILIP'S

Parish Council	Wednesday 13 October, 7.30pm
<b>Pandora's Spring Fashion Show and Lunch</b>	<b>Saturday 16 October</b>
<b>Saturday Evening Service</b>	<b>Saturday 16 October, 5.30pm</b>
	<i>Third Saturday of each month</i>
<b>St Philip's Family evening</b> (Children's Ministry)	<b>Sat. 16 October</b>
St Philip's Care, Northbourne Community Centre - Management Committee	Wednesday 20 October, 7pm
<b>Garage Sale</b>	<b>Saturday 23 October, 8am - 12noon</b>
Parish Planning Group	Wednesday 27 October, 7.30pm
<b>All Saints &amp; All Souls</b>	<b>Sunday 31 October</b>