

ST PHILIP'S DIARY

Maundy Thursday – Passover Dinner; including Foot washing & Eucharist

Thursday 21 April, 7pm

Please put your name on the list in the foyer if you will be attending the Passover Dinner. Cost will be approx. \$6.00 p.p. plus a salad or dessert, recipes are available in the Foyer. Thanks Pat & Kerry-Anne.

Good Friday

Friday 22 April, 3pm - 6pm

3pm (1st hour): Hearing the Word

4pm (2nd hour): Reflecting on the Word

5pm (3rd Hour): Responding to the Word

Easter Day

Sunday 24 April

6am: Service of the New Light

7am: First Eucharist

8am: Celebration Breakfast

Please see the list in the foyer as to what you can contribute to the breakfast. All welcome, no RSVP required

10am: Second Eucharist (Sung)

St Philip's Patronal Festival, Sung Eucharist

Sunday 8 May, 10am

Parish Council meeting @ Rectory

Wednesday 11 May, 7.30pm

Saturday Evening Service/Eucharist

21 May, 5.30pm

Third Saturday of each month

Prayer for Christian Unity - combined worship service @ St Philip's

Sunday 5 June, 2pm

Day of Pentecost

Sunday 12 June

CAMRA's *A Month of Sunday's* concerts

Sunday 7, 14, 21 & 28 August, 3pm

Diocesan Synod

Friday 2 – Sunday 4 September

Back To Church Sunday

Sunday 11 September

Pandora's Spring Fashion Parade

Saturday 17 September

Sung Eucharist with Bishop Stuart Presiding

Sunday 18 December, 10am

Sunday 25 December

Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor!

"Come and see," said Philip

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday 10 April 2011

Readings:

Ezekiel 37.1-14

Romans 8.6-11

John 11.1-45

Psalm 130:

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:
Lord, hear my voice;
- 2 O let your ears consider well:
the voice of my supplication.
- 3 If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:
who then, O Lord, could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you:
so that you shall be feared.
- 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him:
and in his word is my hope.
- 6 My soul looks for the Lord:
more than watchmen for the morning, more, I say, than watchmen for
the morning.
- 7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:
and with him is ample redemption.
- 8 He will redeem Israel:
from the multitude of their sins.

10am Music:

Hymns - Together in Song: 706, 739, 714, 73

Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Rebecca Newland

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| 8am: | Reader: | Rhonda Evans |
| | Sidespeople: | volunteer |
| 10am: | Lay Minister: | Brian McKinlay |
| | Musicians: | Pat Forbes & Katie Cole |
| | Bible Readers: | 1 st Sarah Gowty, 2 nd Pat Forbes |
| | Sidespeople: | volunteers please!!! |
| | Chalice Servers: | Ruth McGorman-Mann & 2 more servers please!! |
| | Morning Tea: | St Philip's children |

OUR PRAYERS

Ecumenical Cycle: Japan, South Korea, North Korea, Taiwan

Anglican Communion: Nagpur - (North India) The Rt Rev'd Paul Dupare

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Bishop to the Defence Force: Bishop Len Eacott
St Philip's O'Connor: Rebecca Newland, Jeannette McHugh, Linda Anchell, Robin Moore

Defence Force Chaplains: Eric Burton, Owen Davies, Sarah Gibson, Ben Hall, Catie Inches-Ogden, Angus McDonald, David Ruthven, Andrew Taylor, Royce Thompson, Geoff Webb, Andrew Lewis; Richard Whereat, Andrew Knight, Andrew Constance.
Pray for: Churchwardens, members of Parish Councils and Lay Leaders.

Those in need: Anne Ranse, Margaret Wicks, Doug Bannerman, Margaret Woodbridge, Jean Pound, Meg Colwell, Michael Sawer, Mervyn McInnes, Shirley Barrett, Claude Woodbridge.

We remember and give thanks for: Rose Anchell (d.6/4/10), Beryl Esma Day (d.8/4/01), Kiran Allister Sen (d.8/4/90), Kenneth Johnson (d.14/4/01).

The Saints: George Augustus Selwyn, first missionary bishop of New Zealand (d.1878)

Greetings,

One of the perennial questions we ask of God is "why is there suffering?" Couldn't God have prevented the problem in the first place? If God is all-powerful, all present and all good then what on earth was he doing? Out of the depths we cry, "Where are you God?" When her brother Lazarus took sick, Mary asked Jesus for help. But Jesus purposely delayed intervening, so by the time they finally arrived back home in Bethany, Lazarus had been dead and buried for at least four days. "Lord," Martha cried, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died". Jesus didn't answer her challenge verbally. Instead, in the shortest verse in the entire Bible, the Gospel says, "Jesus wept" (John 11:35). This moment reveals the unfailing love of God in Jesus, who weeps when we weep and suffers as we suffer. The story also reveals that Jesus is more powerful than death and suffering. I don't know how it happens, I haven't got a clue about the mechanics of it but I know and have seen that when we cry from the depths to God our prayer is answered. The dead may not come back to life. Our suffering and the suffering of others may still remain but something shifts, something changes. We have reached out, we have opened the door, we have asked for help and then somehow, love and comfort and grace rush in. As we journey into the final few weeks before Easter may our hearts be open to God's love and mercy found in Christ Jesus.

Peace and Blessings, Rebecca

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Rector: Rev'd Rebecca Newland

Hon. Deacons: Rev'd Linda Anchell, Rev'd Robin Moore (St Philip's Care)

Hon. Priest: Rev'd Jeannette McHugh

Wardens: Helen Palethorpe, Ian Cousins & Roger Sharp.

THIS WEEK @ ST PHILIP'S

Monday: 10.30am: St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre, - including lunch

Wednesday: 10am: Holy Communion
6pm: Lenten Meditation (during Lent)
7.30pm: Parish Council meeting @ the Rectory

Thursday: 7.30pm: **Parish Planning** – Future directions – Part 2!
This meeting includes the Parish Planning Group, Parish Council & all our Clergy

Friday: 10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor - OPEN
volunteers: Kerry-Anne Cousins & Ann Brown

Saturday: 10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN
volunteers: Fiona Dyer & Hannah Ellis
5.30pm: **Saturday Evening Service/Eucharist**

NEXT SUNDAY

8am & 10am Eucharist

Palm Sunday

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9, Psalm 31.9-18, Philippians 2.5-11, Matthew 26.14-27.66

Rosters: 8am: Reader: Shane Woodburn
Sidespeople: Tim Woodburn
10am: Bible Readers: 1st Linda Anchell, 2nd Fred Anchell
Sidespeople: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson
Chalice Servers: Grace b & James Kim
Morning Tea: James K & Roger Sharp

Australian Religious Response to Climate Change

warmly invites you to attend a special forum:

Australian Religious Perspectives on Climate Change

Time: 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm, Thursday 2 June

Venue: "The Chapel", Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture,
15 Blackall St, Barton

Who: You will hear: *Bishop George Browning*, former Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Canberra-Goulburn, present a paper offering a religious perspective on climate change and the policy responses needed. Response from the *Hon. Mark Dreyfus MP*, Parliamentary Secretary for Climate Change. Response from the *Hon. Greg Hunt MP*, Shadow Minister for Climate Change, Environment and Water. Response from *Dr Janette Lindesay*, Assoc. Professor at ANU, climate scientist.

Moderated open discussion.

RSVP Carlyn Chen carlynchen@gmail.com 0411 772 918

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