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Rev'd Jeannette McHugh

Wardens: Helen Palethorpe, Ian Cousins & Roger Sharp

St Marks - 40th anniversary of theological education and ministerial formation first being offered in Barton.

Saturday 27 August

The "Friends and Alumni Reunion" will be held as part of a publicly promoted open day. In addition to CSU enrolments advisers being on hand all day to assist new students from 9am to 4pm, we will welcome all former students – those who studied as part of the Canberra College of Ministry, the Sydney College of Divinity, Charles Sturt University and the St Mark's RTO and Diploma of Anglican Orders candidates – to a special lunch at the Ottoman Café (across the street from St Mark's) starting at 12:30pm. All former and current students will enjoy a complimentary lunch. Their companions can share in the feast for just \$30 per head. Following the lunch, Friends, Alumni and Students are encouraged to stay at St Mark's and visit the many stalls and displays that will be mounted throughout the building, in addition to a personal viewing of a first edition (1611) King James Version of the Bible (presently on display in Parliament House). There will be a bumper book stall of theological texts and new titles from Barton Books will be marked down. The reunion will mark the expansion of the current Friends of St Mark's community to include Alumni. Please contact St Mark's reception on (02) 6272 6252 or stmarksadmin@csu.edu.au to reserve your place. You might also care to share news of this event with St Mark's alumni known to you.

Sunday 28 August

We will be launching a new book by Emeritus Professor Brian Fletcher called *Sing a New Song: Australian Hymnody and the Renewal of the Church since the 1960s*. This important work reveals the inner story of the most successful publishing venture in Australian history – the production of the *Australian Hymn Book* and its successor, *Together in Song*. This book is also a tribute to the late Bishop Owen Dowling whose family will be on hand to launch the book. Proceedings will start at 4:30pm. It will include a guest choir singing selected items from both hymn books. *Sing a New Song* will be available at a special launch price. This will be a great event and a large ecumenical gathering is expected. Please join us for a wonderful celebration of music and song.

For more information, contact St Mark's reception. I look forward to welcoming you to

Barton for these important events. Tom Frame, Director

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



St Philip's
Come & See

MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD
(NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST)
SUNDAY 14 AUGUST 2011

8am & 10am: English language Eucharist
12pm: Dinka language Service

Readings: Isaiah 61.10-62.3 Galatians 4.4-7 Luke 2.1-7

10am Music:

Introit: *There is a line of women* (John Bell, Iona Community)

1. There is a line of women, extending back to Eve,
Whose role in shaping history God only could conceive.
And though, through endless ages, their witness was repressed,
God valued and encouraged them through whom the world was blessed.
2. There is a line of women, who took on powerful men,
Defying laws and scruples to let life live again.
And though, despite their triumph, their stories stayed untold
God kept their number growing, creative, strong and bold.
3. There is a line of women, who stood by Jesus' side,
Who housed him while he ministered and held him when he died.
And though they claimed he'd risen their news was deemed suspect
Till Jesus stood among them, his womanly elect.

Hymns: *Together in Song*: **179, 294, 288** (tune 650), **209**

Presiding: Rev'd Rebecca Newland

Preaching: Rev'd Steve Clarke

Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth

8am: Bible Reader: Rhonda Evans

Sidespeople: volunteer

10am: Lay Minister: Chris Cheah

Musician: Colin Forbes

Bible Readers: 1st Erika Langman, 2nd David Tucharke

Sidespeople: Leighton Mann & Hardy Palethorpe

Chalice Servers: Ruth McGorman-Mann & Hardy P

Morning Tea: St Philip's Children

The Song of Mary (Magnificat)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord:
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
Who has looked with favour on his lowly of his servant: from this day all
generations will call me blessed;
The Almighty has done great things for me:
and holy is his name.
God has mercy on those who fear him:
from generation to generation.
The Lord has shown strength with his arm:
he has scattered the proud in their conceit,
Casting down the powerful from their thrones:
and lifting up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things:
and sent the rich away empty.
He has come to the aid of his servant Israel:
to remember the promise of his mercy,
The promise made to our forbears:
to Abraham and to his children forever.

Our Prayers

In the parish: Pandora's and Flower arrangers. (with our thanks!)

Ecumenical Cycle: Oceania. Give thanks for the amazing diversity of these islands in the Pacific. Pray for The preservation of these island nations in the midst of global warming and rising sea levels.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Riverina - (NSW, Australia) The Rt Rev'd Douglas Stevens

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocese of Ysabel, Solomon Islands: Bishop Richard Naramana (Companion Diocese) [Luke & May Forau]

Good Shepherd, Curtin & Cross Cultural Ministry; Brindabella Gardens Residential Aged Care/ Hostel, Curtin: Chaplain: Morton Johnston and the pastoral care team; St Peter's Weston: Jason Page; Ken Rampling; All Souls', Chapman

Pray for: Organisations offering counselling, care and support to families and individuals

Those in need: Nate Merry, Ethel McInnes, Margaret Woodbridge, Claude Woodbridge, Jean Pound, Meg Colwell, Michael Sawyer, Shirley Barrett, Marcia McPherson

We remember and give thanks for: Thelma M. Morton (d.15/8/93); Donald William Brown (d.17/8/88)

The Saints: Mary, mother of our Lord; Bernard of Clairvaux, abbot & teacher (d.1153)

from the Ecumenical Cycle: Loving God, provide a voice for our struggles.

Provide extra paddles to bring us together.

Grant peace to our hearts, our ears and our eyes

to forgive and to love our neighbours and our enemies.

O Lord, give us a chance to redeem the Fonua* and to reclaim paradise.

**"land and people" in Tongan language*

From our Rector

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate Mary the mother of our Lord whose feast day falls on August the 15th. The story of Mary is about a person who looked on the surface as if she didn't matter at all. She was an unmarried, young, Jewish girl for a start, and a person with no social rights. She is a person with no power, no education and very importantly, no husband. Mary lived at a time when her country was occupied by the powerful Roman Empire. In her world there was political and social unrest, and the future was very uncertain. And this is the person God chooses to bring forth the Christ, to bear the baby Jesus. This insignificant person is singled out by God to do one of the most important tasks in history. I think it is her insignificance, not her specialness that makes her so important for us. In a very real way we too are called upon to bring forth Christ in the world, to be Christ bearers, despite our seeming insignificance on the world stage, or any stage for that matter. As Christians we are called bring the love of Christ to those around us. That is the beauty and challenge of our baptismal promises - "Shine as a light in the world". No matter how dark it is, no matter what fears lurk, no matter if it seems hopeless then we keep shining; we keep being everything God has made us to be. But we can also look to Mary to learn that how we respond to God, our attitude, matters as well. How we play our part makes a difference. On days when we celebrate Mary we often say or sing the Magnificat, Mary's wonderful song of praise to God. It is a song that resonates with praise, trust, and gratitude for God's goodness. Perhaps it was just the euphoria of a young expectant mother but I prefer to see it as the story of a person of no account, who could see the greatness and love of God, who despite what was ahead of them, what dangers and fears they faced, could declare passionately the glory of God. Who could express heartfelt gratitude for the gift and promise of life and then live it to the full – all its joy and pain – and love deeply throughout it all. In the midst of all our challenges this is my hope and prayer for us all.

Peace and blessings, Rebecca.

Next Sunday

10am: Confirmation Service with Bishop Trevor Edwards

A special morning tea will follow this service. Please bring a plate of something to share, thank you.

Readings: Isaiah 51.1-6 Psalm 138 Romans 12.1-8 Matthew 16.13-20

Rosters:	Flowers:	Philida Sturgis-Hoy
8am:	Bible Reader:	Volunteer
	Sides people:	Volunteer
10am:	Lay Minister:	Brian McKinlay
	Bible Readers:	1 st Pat Forbes, 2 nd Denise Manley
	Sidespeople:	Peter Andersson & Grace Barnes
	Chalice Servers:	Linda Anchell & Grace B
	Morning Tea:	Ann Munro, Helen Palethorpe & helpers!

This Week @ St Philip's

Today: following 10am: Twilight Fair – 1st Planning Meeting
3pm: CAMRA's - A month of Sundays concerts
Rags and Riches - Songs by American composers Scott Joplin, George Gershwin and Stephen Foster.
Adults \$25 per concert. Concessions/CAMRA VIPs & members \$20 per concert.
Food@St Philip's will be serving refreshments at each concert.

Monday: St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre – including lunch

Wednesday: 10am: English Language Holy Communion

Thursday: 6pm refreshments/ 6.30pm presentations:
Canberra PreSynod Roadshow
Canberra Girls Grammar Staff Room. Synod representatives are expected to attend this meeting. All other Parishioners are very welcome to attend.
RSVP 62323600 or emma.body@anglicancg.org.au

Friday: 10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN

Saturday: 8am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN
10.30am: Holy Communion @ Kankinya Aged Care Facility, Lyneham
5.30pm: English language Family Eucharist

St Philip's Diary

CAMRA'S A month of Sundays - *A Brahms songfest* Sunday 21 August, 3pm
Liebeslieder — Songs of love, Op. 52, Zigeunerlieder — Gypsy songs, Op. 103, and other lieder by Brahms.

CAMRA'S A month of Sundays - *Beethoven, Bach and Mozart*
Sunday 28 August, 3pm
Scenes from Act 1 of Beethoven's Fidelio. JS Bach's Concerto for Four Keyboards in A minor, BWV1065. WA Mozart's Six nocturnes for three voices and strings, K346, 436-439 & 549.

St Philip's National Mission Project for 2011 (Retiring offerings in September):
Nungalinga College, Darwin

Study Group "Practise Resurrection" @Rectory Wednesday 31 August, 7.30pm

Diocesan Synod Friday 2 – Sunday 4 September

Back to Church Sunday Sunday 11 September
Back to Church Sunday is all about a friend inviting a friend along to church. It is everyone's role to invite someone back to Church. Invitation cards & other material are available in the Foyer.

Parish Council @ the Rectory Wednesday 14 September, 7.30pm

Pandora's Spring Fashion Parade Saturday 17 September

St Philip's Diary – cont.

English language Family Eucharist Saturday 17 September, 5.30pm
On the third Saturday of each month

Creation Sunday - Taize service Sunday 25 September

Ride to Worship Week 2011 Friday 7 – Thursday 13 October
ARRCC's (Australian Religious Response to Climate Change) annual, Australiawide cycling event – more details soon!

CAMRA presents G F Handel's opera *Alcina*
Thursday 27 & Saturday 29 October, 7.30pm

All Saints & All Souls Sunday 6 November

St Philip's Twilight Community Fair Saturday 12 November, 3 - 7pm

Ability Awareness Sunday (& Christ the King) Sunday 20 November

St Philip's Advent Dinner – celebrating Rev'd Linda Anchell's 20th Ordination anniversary
Saturday 26 November, 6pm

St Philip's Singers with CAMRA & Igitur Nos present:
MESSIAH by G.F. Handel. Friday 16 & Saturday 18 December, 7.30pm
To celebrate the Anniversaries of our church building.

Special Eucharist with Bishop Stuart Presiding Sunday 18 December, 10am
To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Dedication & 30th anniversary of the Consecration of St Philip's Church building.

St Philip's Carol Service Wednesday 21 December, 7.30pm

9/11 – TEN YEARS ON.....parishioners are invited to a

Canberra Peace & Harmony Gathering

Sunday 11 September 2011, 3pm start. Environment, Meditation & Healing Garden,
5 Menindee Drive, BARTON, near Clare Holland House (Canberra Hospice).

The 10-year anniversary of the 9/11 events is an opportunity for reflection on this and other human-induced tragedies. Several faith communities, under the umbrella of **Canberra Interfaith Forum** will host this shared reflection. Bishop Pat Power will be one of the Christian leaders taking part. Find the time to join fellow Christians and those of other faiths to be still and quiet – together – in the common ground of meditation (embedded in all the great spiritual traditions) where differences of belief or culture can be accepted and respected via the experience of interiority, silence, stillness and simplicity. **Further information:** Rod & Susan

rod@christianmeditationaustralia.org or Shobha shobhamvarkey@gmail.com

Sarah's Car for Sale

Leighton has Sarah Gowty's 2008 Toyota Corolla to sell. If you know someone who might be interested please talk to Leighton for further details, 0418 686033