

Prayers

Ecumenical Cycle: Eritrea, Ethiopia; give thanks for ancient traditions, and new possibilities for proclaiming the faith of the risen Christ.

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Kenya The Most Revd Dr Eliud Wabukala Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya (Canberra Goulburn diocese was prayed for on 26th April)

Diocesan Cycle: Province of Papua New Guinea: Archbishop Joe Kopapa Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia: staff and students.

Special Ministries: Military Christian Fellowship: Russell Bielenberg; Order of St Luke: Pastor Ken Perrin; Religious education in schools and parishes: Schools Ministry Consultant and Convenor of RE Unit of ACT Churches' Council; Education for Ministry Diocesan Coordinator: Michael Richards; Confirmation Preparation: Confirmation candidates, the Catechumenate and Alpha programs.

Pray for: Outreach and ministry amongst youth.

Those in need: Jean Pound, Meg Colwell, Michael Sawer, Claude Woodbridge, Rev'd Ruth Dudley

We remember and give thanks for: Jeffrey Avery (d.23/04/07)

Saints and celebrations: Philip & James, Apostles & Martyrs; Athanasius, bishop of Alexandria, teacher.

A youngish male refugee, highly motivated, is seeking accommodation urgently, in a small unit or section of a house in northern Canberra or Gungahlin. Please contact Catherine initially on 0412 529 924.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HARDY and GRACE!

Items for the Pew bulletin and names for the Prayer list (add or remove), please forward to Linda by Thursday 12 noon. lindafrd@pcug.org.au 6236 3227



St Philip's *Come & See*

ST PHILIP & ST JAMES

SUNDAY 29th April 2012

8am Eucharist

10am Sung Eucharist

1pm Dinka Bor service.

Readings: Isaiah 30:18-21; Psalm 19:1-6;
1Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14

Today

Presiding: Rev'd Rebecca Newland

Preaching: Rev'd Robin Moore

10am Hymns: 227, 552, 187, 372

10am	flowers:	Rebecca Newland	
	Liturgical Assistant:	Brian McKinlay	
	Musician	Colin Forbes	
	Bible Readers:	1st Fred Anchell 2nd Linda Anchell	
	Sidespeople:	Grace Barnes & Vicki Luker	
	Welcomer:		
	Chalice Servers:	Grace Barnes & Leighton Mann	
	Morning Tea/Brunch:	Ann Munro & Helen Palethorpe; everyone	

*St Philip,
woodcut by Dürer*

Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God:
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
- 2 One day tells it to another:
and night to night communicates knowledge.
- 3 There is no speech or language:
nor are their voices heard;
- 4 Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:
and their words to the ends of the earth.
- 5 There he has pitched a tent for the sun:
which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber,
and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
- 6 Its rising is at one end of the heavens,
and its circuit to their farthest bound:
and nothing is hidden from its heat.

Next Sunday May 6th Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings:	Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:26-32; 1John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8	
Rosters:	flowers:	Ethel McInnes
10am	Celebrant:	Rev'd Rebecca Newland
	Preacher:	Rev'd Rebecca Newland
	Liturgical Assistant:	Ruth McGorman-Mann
	Musician	Fiona Frasers
	Bible Readers:	1st David Tucharke 2nd Douglas Tucharke
	Sidespeople:	Sally Adams & Roger Sharp
	Welcomer:	Denise Manley
	Chalice Servers:	Denise Manley & Hardy Palethorpe
	Morning Tea:	Leighton, Ruth & Zara Mann

Next Week @ St Philip's

- Monday:** St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre – including lunch
- Wednesday:** 10am: Eucharist
- Friday:** 10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN
- Saturday:** 10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN
- Saturday:** 10.30am: Holy Communion @ Kankinya Aged Care

Diary

- Saturday 5 May**, 7.30 CAMRA's Saturday nights @ St Philip's:
Colin Forbes plays Beethoven
- Sunday 13 May**, 6pm Taizé Service here at St Philip's
- Week of Prayer** for Christian Unity 20th - 27th May
- Sunday 27 May**, 10am Pentecost (Dinka/English combined service)
- National Reconciliation Week** 27th May – 3rd June

News Extra

at http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news_extra.php
and on the noticeboard! (and last week's pew sheet in the foyer)
Wednesday 2 May 2012
The LGBTI Mental Health & Suicide Prevention Project

CAMRA

Presents at St Philip's
on Saturday 5 May, 7.30pm

Colin Forbes plays Beethoven

Works for solo piano by Ludwig van Beethoven

refreshments available from Food@St.Philips

(further details & bookings www.camra.asn.au)

There is a new edition of Anglican News.
see the article on Mental Health First Aid courses on page 12.

SEARCH FOR COPIES OF ST PHILIP'S GRAPEVINE

This magazine appeared between 1979 and 1985. Revd Robert Willson would like to hear from any parishioner willing to donate surviving copies. He may be contacted on phone 62824346, email robbie70@tpg.com.au and his address is 43 Nathan Street, Deakin, 2600. He hopes to donate a complete set, 22 issues, to the National Library.

Dear Friends,

You have perhaps noticed that the rector's prayer desk has been released from it's corner and now sits opposite the assistant's desk! This has been done for number of reasons. During large services when the sanctuary is full of acolytes, a crucifer, assistants, deacons and priests, the rector has not been able to see what it happening in the sanctuary. It is important to be able to see (not to check up that everyone is doing the right thing!) but because the leaders up the front need to be able to communicate with each other, usually through eye contact, questioning looks and reassuring smiles. Now this is possible.

Having the rector's desk opposite the assistant's desk also gives more balance and symmetry to the space and as it is movable the space is more flexible. Personally it is very good for me to out of the corner! The other very important reason to move the desk is that now that area of the church can be used for a prayer space for a small group to gather for prayer and fellowship. There is a temporary table set up until we have a table made to fit the space. The table can also be used for special occasions when we may want to have votive candles, an icon or some other focal object to help our devotions. Having this space will I believe be a great blessing for our community.

One of the things it allows is for the saying of the daily offices, which is the Anglican cycle of daily scripture reading, meditation and prayer, in the church in a warm (there is a very effective heater in place!) and comfortable environment. For the past few years I have been saying the offices in my study at home but they are really designed to be said with others. It is my hope and prayer that some of us will commit to saying the offices together during the week. At this stage I am saying morning prayer on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8.00 am. A couple of people have already committed to joining me at least one to two times a week. Morning prayer takes approximately 30 minutes and in our busy lives can be a time of quiet and reflection.

Some of you may perhaps be wondering if this is some new fangled idea! It may be new for St Philip's to have a designated prayer space but it is not new in terms of gathering for daily prayer. Our previous rector, Rob Lamerton, faithfully said the offices every day, as do I. Both Rob and I trained at St John's Morpeth, a residential college, where the community gathered in the chapel four times a day, in all seasons, for daily prayer. However, this is not just a practice for trainee clergy.

The daily offices have been an integral part of the Anglican church since the reformation. It was part of Thomas Cranmer's genius to condense the traditional monastic offices into the two prayer book offices of matins and evensong. The monastic offices were of course developed by St Benedict and his communities in the 5th century. As Esther de Waal says, it would be hardly too much to claim that the Benedictine spirit is the root of the Anglican way of prayer, as both clergy and laity have been nourished by the daily recitation of the psalms and regular reading of scripture.

We may live in the 21st century, long after Cranmer and Benedict, but there is still the same yearning and desire in us to connect to our creator and Lord. There is still the need to spend time building our relationship with God who reaches out in love to us everyday. There is still the need for community, friendship and belonging. The world is still in need of prayer and love.

I hope that as a handful of us commit to this discipline our parish life will be strengthened, we will grow in love and fellowship and that our relationship with our Lord will deepen. If you have any questions or concerns please come and see me. If you would like to join me for the offices on any or all of those mornings I would be delighted!

Finally, a very big thank you to David French who has 'fixed up' the prayer desk to make it movable and will be making a small altar/table for the space. It is wonderful to have the gifts of such capable and generous people in our community.

Peace and Blessings
Rebecca

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