

Lenten Studies "For Love of the World"

Tuesdays 7:30pm and Fridays 1pm in Lent; For more information please see Rev'd Rebecca. <http://www.stphilipsoconnor.org.au/flotw.php>

Next Sunday Lent Five, 25th March

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:5-14;
John 12:20-33

Rosters: (no flowers in Lent)

10am:	Celebrant:	Rev'd Rebecca Newland
	Preacher:	Rev'd Linda Anchell
	Liturgical Assistant:	Rev'd Linda Anchell
	Musician:	Fiona Fraser
	Bible Readers:	1 st Erika Langman, 2 nd Denise Manley
	Sidespeople:	James Kim & Leighton Mann
	Welcomer:	Brian McKinlay
	Chalice Servers:	Doreen Sengati-Odom & James Kim
	Morning Tea:	Philippa Wicks & Peter Wilson

GARAGE SALE - Saturday 24 March 8am - 12 noon.

48 Lachlan St MACQUARIE. Leighton & Ruth are holding a Garage Sale. If you have stuff/items you would like to put in the sale please contact Leighton, we are happy to sell your items and donate the money to the Parish. Come have a look, you'll never know what you will find!

A family of old friends has returned to Canberra and St Philips from the Solomon Islands for four years. There are 2 adults and up to 5 children between 1 and 15 years of age. They have very little in the way of household goods to furnish their rented accommodation. If you have anything you could give to Luke and May, please contact Denise Manley, who will liaise with Luke, who will select what he needs and can accommodate. Denise can be contacted by email on denise.manley@optusnet.com.au or at home on 6254 2838 or 0414 309 469. Thank you very much.

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Dinka Language Congregation Leader: Peter Manyok Kuot
Hon. Deacons: Rev'd Linda Anchell & Rev'd Robin Moore (St Philip's Care)
Hon. Associate Priests: Rev'd Jeannette McHugh, Rev'd Steve Clarke (Director of Mission & Justice, Anglicare)

Rector's Warden: Leighton Mann, **People's Wardens:** Helen Palethorpe & Roger Sharp
Parish Councillors: Ian Cousins, Shane Woodburn, Fred Anchell, Vicki Luker, Peter Wilson, Louise McKay

Welcome to St Philip's O'Connor

"Come and See" said Philip

LENT FOUR (Mothering Sunday)

SUNDAY 18th March 2012

8am & 10am: English language Eucharist

1pm: Dinka Bor language Service

Readings: Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22;
Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21

Today

Presiding: Rev'd Rebecca Newland

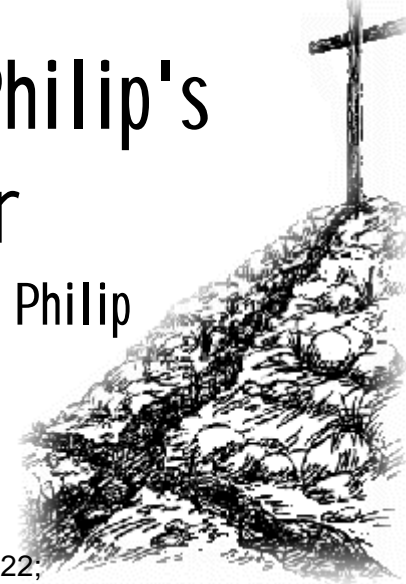
Preaching: Rev'd Catherine Holt

10am Hymns: 147, 747, 341, 351

Cantor: Denise Manley. Introit: God so loved the world (John Goss);
Psalm 107 with congregational response;
during communion: Trust and Obey (Swedish Folk Tune);
Blessing: God to Enfold you (John Bell & Graham Maule)

10am:	Liturgical Assistant:	Brian McKinlay
	Musicians:	Colin Forbes & Denise Manley
	Bible Readers:	1 st Jan Gulliver, 2 nd Tim Gulliver
	Sidespeople:	Peter Andersson & Grace Barnes
	Welcomer:	Helen Palethorpe
	Chalice Servers:	Grace Barnes, Hardy Palethorpe & Ruth McGorman-Mann
	Morning Tea:	Vicki Luker & Ann Munro

The Son of Man must be lifted up,
that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. John 3:14-15



This Week @ St Philip's

Monday:	St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre – including lunch
Tuesday	7.30pm Lenten Study (For Love of the World)
Wednesday:	10am: Eucharist (in English)
Friday:	1pm Lenten Study (For Love of the World) 10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN
Saturday:	10am – 1pm: Pandora's @ O'Connor – OPEN 10.30am: Holy Communion @ Kankinya Aged Care

“**The Palethorpes** have moved into their new houses! On Saturday 24th March at 3pm, the Rev Rebecca will come to bless these houses (and we hope the people occupying them) and we would like you to come and share our joy of that occasion. All are invited to be present and then to share a cup of tea as well. The address is 34 Hakea Crescent, O'Connor. 62488030. Please come.”

Diary

Thursdays 22nd & 29th March Spiritual Formation Group
Saturday 24th March House Blessing, 34 Hakea Cres O'Connor.
Monday March 26th Earth Hour
Wednesday 28th March 7,30pm CAMRA AGM; @ St Philip's
Friday 30th March Bp Pat Power Dinner, St Mary in the Valley
Saturday 31st March 11am, Consecration of Assistant Bishops (Genieve Blackwell & Ian Lambert, St Saviour's Cathedral, Goulburn)
Thursday 5th April **Maundy Thursday**,
Passover Dinner/Foot Washing/Eucharist 6.30pm for 7pm
Good Friday 6th April service 2-3pm; church open 12noon-6pm
Easter 8th April 6am Lighting the new fire
7am Eucharist /breakfast/
10am Sung Eucharist
6pm Taizé Service - Holy Covenant, Cook
Sunday 29th April 10am St Philip's Day (Dinka/English combined service) & a shared Brunch
National Reconciliation Week 27th May-3rd June

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

Assistant St Philip's Webkeeper
St Philip's is looking for a volunteer to do weekly updates of its website (especially when the regular webkeeper is away on a well-earned break!) and prepare items for the website. A knowledge of XHTML would be handy, but we can teach you the basics. Please have a chat with Brian McKinlay (6161 6352) brian@nottoomuch.com

Prayers

Ecumenical Cycle: Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, giving thanks for those who help to clear landmines.

Anglican Communion: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
The Most Revd Ian Gerald James Ernest Archbishop

Diocesan Cycle: Diocese of North West Australia: Administrator Dean Jeremy Rice, Clergy and People
Yass: Judy Heggart (locum), Chris Elliott, Helena Painting; Boorowa: Pauline Dare; Murrumburrah-Harden: Beth Dimmick.

Pray for: Christian unity at local, national and world levels.

Those in need: Jean Pound, Meg Colwell, Michael Sawer, Claude Woodbridge, Jackson and his family.

We remember and give thanks for: David Morris, Aileen Mary Elizabeth MacDonnell (14/3/99); John Victor Cousins (d.14/3/1994); Jean Hamilton Gordon Parke (d.17/3/87), Marjorie Wright (d.19/3/02), Noel Lovett Barratt (d.20/3/99), John Robert Dimmick (d.22/3/71), James Patrick Bannerman (d.23/3/94)

Pray for those who mourn.

Saints and celebrations: Joseph, husband of the blessed virgin Mary; Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, bishop and missionary (d.687); Thomas Cranmer, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr and liturgist (d.1556); Thomas Ken, bishop of Bath and Wells, teacher (d.1711); Paul Couturier, ecumenist (d.1953); Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador, martyr (d.1980)

Pray also for Roy Abbott and his work in Ramallah, Palestine and for Sarah Gowty and her work in Kabul, Afghanistan.

Give thanks for and a **Huge Thank You** to the Pandora's Ladies, seen on Wednesday working very hard for the winter launch.

As well as giving thanks, can you give three hours a month to help at Pandora's? New workers are desperately needed! You would be welcomed and trained! A chance to feel young again and needed!

Bishop Stuart, in conjunction with Anglicare Disaster Recovery, has launched an appeal for the Riverina floods. To donate please ring Anglicare on PHONE 02 6245 7100. An Appeal form will also be included in the next edition of Anglican News.

Dear Friends,

It is good to be back in the parish after a few days away in Newcastle. I passed on your love and good wishes to my mother who turned 80 on the weekend. Sadly the friend who lived with my mother, Kath, died early the next morning. This was not a surprise as she had recently moved to a nursing home and was very unwell. So it was a weekend of sadness and celebration. A picture of life really. Paul in our reading from Ephesians presents us with another picture of life, "For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life". So despite the ups and downs (and Paul was very familiar with those) our identity and purpose is in Christ Jesus and we are made for good works. It is of course difficult to remain focussed on our identity and good works in the face of stress, emotional upheaval, family issues and difficult people. In fact we need commitment and the help of the Holy Spirit to gift us with patience, fortitude, compassion and courage. There is a saying that energy follows intent. If our intent is to be loving despite the circumstances then we will find and be given what we need. We are made by, in and for love. May we all find this reality day by day.

Peace & Blessings
Rebecca

KEY POINTS FROM MARCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- A draft 2012 covenant between Rebecca and the Parish was discussed and there will now be consultation with the Dinka congregation leadership before finalising the covenant and submitting it to the Bishop. The draft covenant is in line with the vision Rebecca set out for the Parish in her report to the AGM.
- The new Council elected Ian Cousins as Chair, Shane Woodburn as Treasurer and Helen Palethorpe as Secretary. Diocesan guidelines for the implementation of the ACT Work Safety Act require parishes to appoint a Parish Safety Officer. The Council appointed Fred Anchell to fulfil this role.
- The Council adopted the Parish budget for 2012 with a planned operating deficit of \$7066 following its endorsement at the AGM.
- New point of contact responsibilities have been allocated amongst the members of the new Parish Council and a revised note will be placed on the Noticeboard.
- The Council is pursuing the building proposal as a matter of priority and considered initial estimates from three potential suppliers at the meeting. A project committee is being put together to develop a full proposal for presentation to a special AGM.

- The Parish Council invites expressions of interest in being the Coordinator for this year's Twilight Fair on 10 November. The Coordinator or Coordinators will be supported by an experienced Fair Committee.

Psalm 107

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:
for his loving mercy is for ever.
- 2 Let the Lord's redeemed say so:
whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,
- 3 And gathered in from every land, from the east and from the west:
from the north and from the south. *(Response)*

- 17 Fools were far gone in transgression:
and because of their sins were afflicted.
- 18 They sickened at any food:
and had come to the gates of death.
- 19 Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:
and he took them out of their trouble. *(Response)*
- 20 He sent his word and healed them:
and saved their life from the Pit.
- 21 Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:
and for the wonders that he does for the children of Adam;
- 22 Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving:
and tell what he has done with shouts of joy. *(Response)*

Congregational Sung Response at 10am:
Give thanks to the Lord, Give thanks to the Lord,
for he is gracious.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Thursday 5 April, Maundy Thursday 6.30 for 7pm
Passover meal & Liturgy, followed by Footwashing, Last supper & solemn stripping of the sanctuary Please book – list in Foyer

Friday 6 April, Good Friday 12noon – 6pm Church open for
prayer/reflection
2pm – 3pm Service

Sunday 8 April, EASTER 6am Lighting of the new Fire
7am Eucharist
8am – 9.30am Easter celebration Breakfast – all welcome
Please see list in Foyer for what you can contribute to the breakfast.

10am Sung Eucharist (English language and Dinka language congregations combined)