

## PRAYER POINTS

**Those in need of prayer:** Michael Sawyer, Jean Pound, Jenny, Tony Gulliver, Rev'd Anne Ranse, Meg Colwell.

**Those we remember:** Peter Blaseotto d.10 Dec 03, Dorothy Moore d.12 Dec 84, Joseph Heaton d. 13 Dec 88, Alice Saylor d.20 Dec 88

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Diocese of Melbourne Parishes: St Alban's Woden  
Australian Federal Police Chaplains, Canberra Hospital Chaplains

**Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer:** Wusasa - (Kaduna, Nigeria) The Rt Rev'd Ali Buba Lamido

**World Council of Churches, Prayer Cycle:** Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Togo

*Colin and Pat would like to thank all who assisted with the Messiah performances in so many different ways. The support offered by the St Philip's Community was incredible. It wouldn't have happened without you.*

## How can you assist St Philip's in 2014?

Please pray & think about what you can do to assist our community at St Philip's in 2014. All of us have different skills and abilities. What can you do?

- Parish Councillor or Warden
- Pewsheets & Parish Calendar Editor
- Food @ St Philip's Co-ordinator
- Roster Co-ordinator
- Flowers (church flower arrangements)
- Liturgical Assistant (*we need males!*)
- Bible Readers
- Welcomers
- Sidespeoples
- Children's Ministry Helpers
- Communion Servers
- Morning Tea Servers.

Looking for **Crucifer & Acolytes** to serve at our Christmas Services (Carols Wed 18, Christmas Eve 11.30pm, & Christmas Day 9am). Have you ever wanted to have go? Please let Rebecca or Brian know.

## KEY POINTS FROM DECEMBER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- A memorandum of Understanding has been signed with Anglicare for Anglicare support to Rev. Robin's work at the Northbourne Community Centre for a three year period from 2013 to 2015.
- Following extensive consideration and consultation, Parish Council has made a decision on some re-allocation of the use of Parish facilities. By 1 February the Parish Office will move to what has become known as Pat's room. The existing Parish Office will become a general activity room for which bookings can be made. Pat will have a permanent booking for part of the week for music lessons and for church music preparation. Both rooms will be refurbished and re-arranged during January.
- This fulfils one of the priorities in the 2013 Covenant between Rebecca and the Parish which stated "Implement a building proposal for improved accommodation for Parish ministry activities and outreach and review the overall use of Parish facilities". The need for the reallocation of space reflects the changes in the Parish over the last few years and the increased supervision load on Rebecca as well as the general unsatisfactory nature of the current vestry arrangement. Rebecca will address these matters in her report to the 2014 AGM.
- Parish Council thanks all involved in the lengthy facilities review for their cooperation and understanding.
- The newly leased replacement Parish car for Rebecca, a Honda Civic Hatch, has arrived.
- The photocopier in the Parish Office is no longer serviceable and a contract will be entered into for the lease of a new photocopier with service support.
- A 2014 Parish Calendar has been prepared and will be available shortly.
- The 2014 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held after the 10am service on Sunday 23 February. Papers for the AGM should be submitted to Rebecca no later than 2 February.

*Notices & Prayer points for the Pewsheets, please submit by Thursday 12pm to Leighton:*  
[leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au](mailto:leighton.ruth@grapevine.com.au)

	<b>ROSTERS &amp; READINGS</b>	<b>TODAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>22-Dec-13</b>
	<b>Sunday of Month</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>7.30pm Carol Service</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
	<b>Liturgical Season</b>	Third Sunday of Advent	Carol Service	Fourth Sunday of Advent
	<b>Flowers</b>	Jeannette McHugh		Kerry-Anne Cousins & Team
	<b>Celebrant</b>	Rev'd Jeannette McHugh	Rev'd Rebecca Newland	Rev'd Rebecca Newland
	<b>Preacher</b>	Rev'd Jeannette McHugh		Rev'd Linda Anchell
	<b>Bible Readings</b>	Isaiah 35.1-10; Song of Mary (APBA, p. 31) or Psalm 146; James 5.7-10; Matthew 11.2-11;		Isaiah 7.10-16; Psalm 80.1-7, 17-19; Romans 1.1-7; Matthew 1:18-25;
8am	<b>Sidespeople</b>			Tim Woodburn
	<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	Elizabeth Allinson		
	<b>Bible Reader</b>	David French		Shane Woodburn
	<b>Welcomer</b>	Helen Palethorpe	7.30pm: Helen Palethorpe	
	<b>Sidespeople</b>	Peter Andersson & Grace Barnes	7.30pm: Hardy Palethorpe, Roger Sharp	Louise & Matthew McKay
	<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	Brian McKinlay		Ruth McGorman-Mann
	<b>Musician(s) &amp; Singers/ Soloists</b>	Alison Davidson, Denise Manley, Fiona Fraser, Alison Knight & Pat Forbes	Colin Forbes & St Philip's Singers	Colin Forbes
10am	<b>Children's Ministry Helpers</b>	<i>t.b.a.</i>		
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reader (O.T.)</b>	Rebecca Palethorpe	<i>Brian organising readers</i>	Helen Palethorpe
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reader (N.T.)</b>	Ann Munro	<i>Brian organising readers</i>	Ashton Robinson
	<b>Communion Servers</b>	Grace Barnes, James Kim & 1 more server	n/a	Hardy Palethorpe & Doreen Sengati-Odom
	<b>Morning Tea</b>	Rebecca & Stephen Palethorpe & Family	<i>please bring a plate of Christmas food to share</i>	James Kim & Ethel McInnes
	<b>Additional details/note</b>			<i>School holidays</i>

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## THIS WEEK @ ST PHILIP'S

Monday 9 Dec – Monday 16 Dec		Rev'd Rebecca on leave
<b>Today</b>	8am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	10am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	1pm	Dinka Service
	4pm	St Pip's Music group
<b>Monday</b>		St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre – including lunch
	4pm	Dinka Homework Club, by appointment with Andrea
<b>Tuesday</b>	10 – 11.30am	St Pip's Playtime
	11.30	Toddler Service
<b>Wed to Sat</b>	8.30am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	10am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	7.30pm	<b>St Philip's Carol Service</b> (nine lessons & carols). <i>Supper to follow, please bring a plate of Christmas food to share</i>
<b>Friday</b>	10am – 1pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor – CLOSED <i>(opens 10 January)</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	10am – 1pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor – CLOSED
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	10am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	1pm	Dinka Service

## ST PHILIP'S CALENDAR

Tuesday 24 Dec		<b>Christmas Eve</b>
	5pm	Children's Christmas Service
	11pm	Carol Singing
	11.30pm	Sung Eucharist
Wednesday 25 Dec		<b>Christmas Day</b>
	9am	Eucharist (combined English & Dinka service)
Thursday 26 – Monday 30 Dec		Rev'd Rebecca on leave
Tuesday 1 Dec	8pm	Chris & Roger, Leighton, Ruth & Zara's 'New Years Eve Party'

139/15 Coranderrk St Canberra City. Please bring a plate of party food to share, BYO drinks & swimmers. A small selection of cocktails will be available.

## 2014

Wednesday 1 Jan 8.30am–5.30pm **St Philip's New Years Quiet Day**  
*Begin the New Year with prayer, meditation and reflection at St Philip's. Take some time to stop and be silent. On the first of January 2014 the church and facilities will be open from 8.30 am until 5.30pm. You are most welcome to come for all or any of the day. Morning Prayer, with meditation is held at 8.30am, Holy Communion at 10.00 am and Evening Prayer, with meditation at 5.00 pm. A self-serve simple lunch will be provided. For more information please speak to the parish priest, Rebecca 0450960089.*



# St Philip's Come & See

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## Sunday 15 December 2013 Third Sunday in Advent

**10am Music;**

Hymns: **287, 691, 508** tune 483 & **210**

For the Psalm: The Song of Mary (Magnificat), *setting by Colin Mawby*  
 During Communion: Ave Maria, *by G Arcadelt*  
 Recessional: Jubilate, *arranged by Alan Bullard*

**Sentence of the Day:** Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God.'

**Prayer of the Day:** Sustain us, O God, with the power of your love on our journey to meet the One who is coming: strengthen our weak hands, make firm our feeble knees, and open blind eyes to the dawning of your kingdom, so that our hearts may rejoice as we behold the majesty of our God. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**For the Psalm:** The Song of Mary (Magnificat)  
 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord: my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
 Who has looked with favour on his lowly 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: and scattered the proud in their conceit,  
 Casting down the mighty from their thrones: and lifting up the lowly.  
 God 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 mercy,  
 The promise made to our forbears: to Abraham and his children for ever.  
 Congregational Response: **The Lord has done great things for me and holy is his name.**