

THIS WEEK @ ST PHILIP'S

Today's Readings: Isaiah 55:1-5; Psalm 145: 8-9,14-21; Romans 9: 1-8; Matthew 14: 13-21

Roster: Flowers: Ethel McInnes; Preaching: Revd. Andrea de Vaal Horciu; Presiding: Rector. **8am:** Sidesperson: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Reader: John Girdlestone **10am:** Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Roger Sharp & Sally Adams; Liturgical Assistant: Revd. Andrea de Vaal Horciu; Music: Colin Forbes; Readers: Andrea to Coordinate Children; Communion Servers: Hardy Palethorpe & Denise Manley; Morning Tea: Rebecca Palethorpe and Family

Today 3rd	8am 10am 1pm	Eucharist Eucharist Dinka Service St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre – including lunch Pip's Playtime
Monday 4th		
Tuesday 5th	10am	Eucharist
Thursday 7th	10am	Eucharist
Friday 8th	10am – 1pm 7.00pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor St Pip's Youth Group
Saturday 9th	10am – 1pm 10:30 7:30pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor Eucharist, Kankinya Aged Care Facility, Lyneham Colin Forbes Beethoven Concert
Next Sunday 10th	8am 10am 1pm	Eucharist Eucharist Dinka Service

NEXT SUNDAY

Readings: Isaiah 61: 1-11; Psalm 130; 1 Corinthians 4: 14-21; Matthew 5: 1-11

Roster: Flowers: Colleen Rischbieth Preaching & Presiding: Rector. **8am:** Sidesperson: Vicki Luker; Liturgical Assistant: tba; Reader: Rhonda Evans **10am:** Welcomer: Davidson Family; Sidespeople: Jan & Tim Gulliver; Liturgical Assistant: Brian McKinlay; Music: Colin Forbes; Readers: Fred Anchell (OT), Linda Anchell (NT); Communion Servers: Doreen Odom & Hardy Palethorpe Morning Tea: Odom Family

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Sat 23 Aug	5pm	CAMRA: <i>Liederabend</i> — fine song with drinks & nibbles
Fri 29 Aug	5-7pm	St Philip's Friday Happy Hour

(For the complete calendar please go to the parish website)



St Philip's Come & See

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Sunday 3 August 2014

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Music; Hymns: **61, 429, 535, 210**

"The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all that fear him, hears their cry, and saves them."

Psalm 145.18-19

Prayer of the Day

O God, giver of life and health,
whose Son Jesus Christ has called
us to hunger and thirst for justice:
refresh us with your grace,
that we may not be weary in well-
doing, for the sake of him who
meets all our needs, Jesus Christ
our Saviour;
who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.



"Spring Rain on Maple
Leaves"
Hagi, Japan. April 2014

Notices & Prayer points for the Pewsheets, please submit by Thursday 12pm to James on jamespeter.ellis@gmail.com

Thank you!

Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21

- ⁸ The Lord is gracious and compassionate:
slow to anger and of great goodness.
- ⁹ The Lord is loving to every one of us:
and his mercy is over all his works.
- ¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who stumble:
and raises up those that are bowed down.
- ¹⁵ The eyes of all look to you in hope:
and you give them their food in due season;
- ¹⁶ You open wide your hand:
and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.
- ¹⁷ The Lord is just in all his ways:
and faithful in all his dealings.
- ¹⁸ The Lord is near to all who call upon him:
to all who call upon him in truth.
- ¹⁹ He will fulfil the desire of those that fear him:
he will hear their cry, and save them.
- ²⁰ The Lord preserves all those that love him:
but the wicked he will utterly destroy.
- ²¹ My mouth shall speak the praises of the Lord:
and let all flesh bless his holy name, for ever and ever.

FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

Our gospel reading today is particularly meaningful for us at St Philip's since this is one of the stories where St Philip appears. Not in this version from Matthew but from the account by John! This is the reason that the picture that appears on the bulletin, letterhead, our green altar frontal and various other places is of two fish and five loaves. It is a picture that speaks of the abundance and goodness of God where such a small portion feed over 5000 people. It speaks also of the hospitality, inclusion and care of Jesus. It reminds us that God's provision will always be more than we expect. There is some wonderful hidden symbolism in this miracle account as well. The numbers twelve, five and two have meaning as does the time of year of the miracle, the type of bread and the fish. To look at just one, the number Twelve is the biblical number symbolising God's people. Twelve tribes, twelve patriarchs, and in the new testament, twelve apostles. This story is also full of eucharistic meaning as Jesus takes the bread, looks to heaven, gives thanks and breaks the bread. One of the most central of course is that the loaves are as Pope Francis recently said, a sign of Jesus, the Bread of God for humanity. As we hear this story again and as we notice our loaves and fishes may we be reminded of God's abundant love. As our psalm puts it: *The eyes of all look to you in hope: and you give them their food in due season. You open wide your hand and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.*

May your week be blessed

Rebecca

Notices

The Courtyard refurbishment is going ahead! We are going to be calling in pledges soon. Pledges can be put in a clearly marked, sealed envelope or if you have access to EFT, deposited into the church account:

Name: St Philip's Anglican Church O'Connor

BSB: 702-389

A/C Number: 0520-2512

Reference: Courtyard

Working Bee to prepare for Lamerton Centre Opening on Saturday 13 September 9-12noon.

Lamerton Centre Opening Event – put this date in your diary

The official opening of Lamerton Centre will be held on Saturday 20th September starting at 11am

The program developed by the committee working on the opening event is

- 11 – 12 welcome, drinks and finger food, speeches, prayers and some entertainment
- 12-1pm light, relaxing music provided by two of our parishioners, lunch and a time to chat
- 1pm Pandora's Fabulous Fashion Parade

In order to have our church and newly completed courtyard renovations looking spick and speck we invite you to help out at a working bee on Saturday 13th September from 9am. If you can help with this please contact Ben Dyer on dyerbf@bigpond.net.au or on 62489016

Lamentation Sunday – 10th of August (Next Sunday).

At the 2013 session of our Diocesan Synod our Bishop, Stuart Robinson, made an historic apology to those who were victims of abuse. It was felt that this apology needed to be shared and received by the whole Church, and that together we needed to reflect upon the immense effect of abuse across our whole Diocese, and the Church universal. The Bishop has asked that a day be set aside in our diocesan calendar to recognise the pain, hurt and sorrow that has been caused by our actions and inactions relating to such abuse. The hope is that such a day will contribute to healing, forgiveness and reconciliation. It will also raise awareness of our need to be pro-active about creating a safe environment for all people, and the ongoing work of the Church in ensuring that this is so. St Philip's will signify this day with a special liturgy and a public reading of the Bishop's apology at both the 8 and 10 am services.

Prayer Points for this week

For those in Need: Revd Anne Ranse, Michael Sawer, Bill Viney, Meg Colwell, Margaret Wicks, Margaret & Claude Woodbridge, Denise Barralet

In Remembrance: Mary & David Reid (1994); St Stephen the Martyr; St Dominic (Priest and Friar); Mary Summer (Founder of Mother's Union, d. 1921).

From the Anglican cycle of prayer: The Scottish Episcopal Church; The work of ABM in Uganda and Ethiopia