

THIS WEEK @ ST PHILIP'S

Today's Readings: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18; Psalm 1; 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-13; Matthew 22: 34 - 46

Roster: Flowers: Jeanette McHugh; Preaching & Presiding: Revd Prof. Canon Scott Cowdell **8am:** Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn; Liturgical Assistant: James Ellis; Reader: Shane Woodburn **10am:** Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: Jan & Tim Gulliver; Liturgical Assistant: Robin Shannon; Music: Colin Forbes; Readers: Chris Cheah (OT), Kerry-Anne Cousins (NT); Communion Servers: Hardy Palethorpe & Chris Cheah; Morning Tea: Ann Munro & Helen Palethorpe

Today 26th	8am	Eucharist
	10am	Eucharist
	1pm	Dinka Service
Monday 27th		St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre - including lunch
Tuesday 28th	10am	Pip's Playtime
Thursday 30th	10am	Eucharist
	12 - 2pm	Area Deanery Meeting (Lamerton Centre)
Friday 31st	10am - 1pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor
	7pm	Youth Group
Saturday 1st	10am - 1pm	Pandora's @ O'Connor
	10:30	Eucharist, Kankinya Aged Care Facility, Lyneham
Next Sunday 2nd	8am	Eucharist
	10am	Eucharist
	1pm	Dinka Service

NEXT SUNDAY - ALL SOULS/ALL SAINTS

Readings: Revelation 7: 9-17; Psalm 34: 1-10, 22; 1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 5: 1-12

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

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Fri 31 Oct	5-7pm	St Philip's Friday Happy Hour 0
Sun 2 Nov		All Saints / All Souls
Sat 8 Nov	3-7pm	St Philip's Twilight Community Fair
Thurs 13 Nov - Sun 30 Nov		Rector on Leave

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



St Philip's Come & See

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Sunday 26 October 2014

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: **275; 464; 626; 571**

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets". Matthew 22.37-40

Prayer of the Day

O God,
whose Son has taught us that love
is the fulfilment of your law:
stir up within us the fire of your
Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts your
greatest gift of love,
so that we may love you with our
whole being,
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.



"Love One Another", Photograph

Notices & Prayer points for the Pewsheets, please submit by Thursday 12pm to pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

Thank you!

Psalm 1

1 Blessed are they

who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly:

nor followed the way of sinners,

nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.

2 But their delight is in the law of the Lord:

and on that law will they ponder day and night.

3 They are like trees planted beside streams of water:

that yield their fruit in due season.

4 Their leaves also shall not wither:

and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them:

they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up

at the judgement:

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous:

but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

REFLECTION ON 1 THESSALONIANS 2: 1-8

Written by Revd. Kathryn Matthews, A minister in the United Church of Christ (USA)

This passage from Paul's first letter to the church at Thessalonica turns our attention to the courage it requires to live as Christians and to preach the gospel. The temptation is to strive to live safely, comfortably, even quietly, and to think that this is living not only as a "peaceful" people but as true Christians. And yet, we know from the example of Jesus and of Paul that preaching the good news will often provoke a negative, perhaps even violent, reaction. Paul speaks of the suffering he has endured for the sake of the gospel, but he speaks without regret. He sees his reward in the faith of the people of the church of Philippi.

Paul's words about motive remind us of Kierkegaard's definition of being "pure of heart" as "to want one thing." If Paul's preaching and our own as well have no motive apart from wanting to please God, we will be pure of heart in our words and in our goals. Paul does not come across as powerful and strong in this passage, in the sense of being overbearing, but his authority is rooted in tender care and generous sharing of his own life. He clearly cares about this little flock in Philippi, and we can imagine that he would care about our own little flock today, wherever we are the church. What are the oppositions that your church faces today in preaching the gospel? When are the moments of tender care, not only for the children but for each and every member of the church, and for those who come through your doors, in need of sanctuary and good news? In what ways are they embraced? In what ways does your church need to grow in its embrace of those in need?

Notices

Welcome to Revd Canon Professor Scott Cowdell who is presiding and preaching at both services today.

Thank you to everyone for their prayers and support of Mary and Akech and their Children (Achuoth and Kudum). Please keep them in your prayers over the coming weeks.

Twilight Fair Saturday 8th November 2014, 3-7pm

This event is our major community engagement project for the year and we want it to be as successful as it has been in previous years. There are jobs to do and everyone is asked to contribute in some way. These are the things you can help with:

*Pre-event (making cakes, biscuits and slices, making curry dishes, afternoon tea supplies, tapas bar food, potting plants, collecting your no longer loved 'treasures' and collectables (not your junk!), selling raffle tickets to your friends, putting up supplied signage.

*9am-noon on the day - Setting up!

*3pm-7pm - Helping on one of the 10 stalls, helping with Kids activities, selling food tickets, clearing tables and washing up.

*7pm on the day - Cleaning up

Would you like to be part of the team?? Contact Helen Palethorpe on 62488030 or on hpalethorpe@grapevine.net.au

We need more shade at the Twilight Fair. If you have a large umbrella on a stand that you can lend for the day (8th November) please let Helen know on 62488030 or hpalethorpe@grapevine.net.au

Leave and Things ...

Rebecca will be on Personal retreat from 23-31 Oct and on Annual Leave 10 November - 3 December. Revd. Sonia Neville will be Locum. James is on Leave (without pay) from 27th Oct - 18 November.

Prayer Points for this week

(Prayer Points will be kept in for 2 weeks, unless requested for longer)

For those in Need: Revd Anne Ranse; Meg Colwell; Margaret Wicks;

Margaret & Claude Woodbridge; Betty Heaton, Ann Brown, The Rector

In Remembrance/Commemorations: Charles Moore (2003); Simon and Jude (Apostles and Martyrs, Tuesday); ALL SAINTS (Friday).

For the Church: We Pray for the Church in North and South India and Ceylon (Sri Lanka); We pray for the Clergy and People of the dioceses of The Murray, Northern Territory and Wangaratta; For the work of Compassion Australia

The World: We pray for all those trapped by ideology, intolerance, religious bigotry or economic desperation, and show us how to bring light in such darkness, peace in such violence and hope in such hopelessness

In Australia: We continue to Pray for our Muslim friends who are being victimised and for an increase in tolerance and understanding.