

## Prayer Points

For those in need: Brian Turner; Roger Sharp; Pat Forbes; Arok, Aleer & Tabitha Aluel Deng; Tracy Barralet; Susannah Morrison; Grace Barnes; Betty Heaton; Brenton Holmes.

Those we remember: Francis (Lawrie) Keast; Robert Dixon; Coralie Sawyer; Clive Lowes

## Next Sunday – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Daylight Saving Time starts next Sunday – remember to put your clocks forward 1 hour!

8am **Holy Communion**  
10am **Holy Communion**  
1.30pm **Worship** (Dinka Afternoon Congregation)

Readings: Job 1.1, 2.1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16

Rosters: Flowers: Ethel McInnes

Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

8am Sidesperson & Bible reader: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson;

10am: Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Roger Sharp & Sally Adams; Liturgical Assistant: ?; Music: Colin Forbes; Readers: Brian McKinlay(OT), Fiona Dyer(NT); Communion Servers: Tim Gulliver & Tim Gowty; Morning Tea: Palethorpe family

## St Philip's Calendar <http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php>

Sunday 11 Oct	12–2.30pm	Sunday Home Group
Wednesday 14 Oct	7pm	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday 13 Oct	10am	St Pips Playgroup resumes for Term 4
Friday 16 Oct	7pm	Youth Group resumes for Term 4
Sunday 18 Oct		St Philip's Local Mission Project: Common Ground Canberra
Friday 30 Oct	5-7pm	Happy Hour

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Sunday 27 September 2015

## Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 121, 585, 674 & 571

### Sentence

Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can it be seasoned?  
Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.

Mark 3.50

### Prayer of the day

O God, your Son has taught us that those who give a cup of water in his name will not lose their reward: open our eyes to see those who are in need, and teach us to set no store by riches and earthly rewards, so that, in surrendering ourselves to serve you in your children, we may labour for the treasure that endures; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### Today's Readings

Esther 7.1-6, 9-10, 9.20-22; Psalm 124; James 5.12-20; Mark 9.38-50

### Today's Roster's

Flowers: Jeannette McHugh

Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

8am Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn; Bible reader: Shane Woodburn

10am: Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: volunteers; Liturgical

Assistant: Brian McKinlay; Music: Colin Forbes; Readers: Linda

Anchell(OT), Fred Anchell(NT); Communion Servers: Hardy

Palethorpe & Linda Anchell; Morning Tea: Ethel McInnes & Ann Munro

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## *Psalm 124*

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, now may Israel say:  
if the Lord had not been on our side, when our enemies rose  
against us,
- 2 Then they would have swallowed us alive:  
when their anger was kindled against us.
- 3 Then the waters would have overwhelmed us, and the torrent gone  
over us:  
the raging waters would have gone clean over us.
- 4 But praised be the Lord:  
who has not given us as a prey to their teeth.
- 5 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler:  
the snare is broken, and we have gone free.
- 6 Our help is in the name of the Lord:  
who has made heaven and earth.

## *From the Acting Rector*

Psalm 124 belongs to a collection of Psalms called the Psalms of Ascents (120-134). Ideally they are best read as whole because then the reader notes and enters into a movement, a journey to, within and from Jerusalem; a movement into and out of worship who rules heaven and earth.

The persons who speak in this psalm are pilgrim worshippers who have come from difficult and hostile situations and undertaken a very dangerous journey but they have arrived safely and now bring their joys and pain before the living God. This psalm remembers God's past deliverance and praises God for it.

The hostility of their opponents was so great it was like the terror of a wild beast tearing them apart or a great flood sweeping them away to drown. Instead of becoming prey they have become free (6-7); not by their ingenuity but by the help of God's life giving power.

History and creation belong to this God who deserves trust and praise; living worship day by day.

I expect many folk escaping Syria might feel something of the emotion of this psalm. But anyone who has known persecution, the hatred of others and state and domestic violence as many of our brothers and sisters do and have escaped would sing this psalm with great joy. The God who has defeated the primal chaos of the sea and provided escape for a tiny bird from a trap also lovingly gives well-being and peace. Such a One who has known such hatred and violence in the cross invites our living trust.

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## *This week @ St Philip's*

<b>Monday</b>		<b>St Philip's Care</b> @ Northbourne Community Centre - including Lunch
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>Friday</b>	10am – 1pm 1.30pm	<b>Pandora's</b> Pre-loved Fashion – OPEN <b>Lamerton Centre Bridge Group</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	10am – 1pm 10am	<b>Pandora's</b> Pre-loved Fashion – OPEN <b>Holy Communion</b> @ Kankinya

## *St Philip's National Mission Project*

### Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns

The mission of the Wontulp-Bi-Buya College is to equip students through training, to empower them with the necessary skills for them to be effective role models and leaders within their own homes, churches and their communities. Through this empowerment the students also have the opportunity to pursue further higher education or gain employment in their community.

Victor Joseph, the Principal of the College said, "Many students of the College have gone on to study all the courses we offer and they leave a better person than when they were since commencing studies. "A student from Bamaga [at the tip of Australia] has never had any formal schooling in his entire life. He did not have the opportunity of going to school as he was expected to provide for his family from a young age and spent most of his life working on boats. Now, he can read and write and is proud of the opportunity he was given to come and study at Wontulp-Bi-Buya College."

Victor Joseph also shared, "Another example is of a few students who come from communities where there is no priest but they want to proclaim the Gospel themselves and share the good news of what they are learning here at the College. Some of them travel with their own vehicles over hundreds of kilometers from remote communities just to attend to further their studies."

By supporting this project, you can contribute to these success stories and allow the College to help grow ministry to Indigenous Australians.

***Envelopes are available today, for you to make a contribution towards St Philip's donation to our 2015 National Mission Project.***