

This coming week @ St Philip's

Monday	St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre - including Lunch
Thursday	10am Holy Communion
Friday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion 7 - 8.30pm St Pip's Youth Group
Saturday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashion
Saturday	10.30am Holy Communion @ Kankinya
Sunday	8am Holy Communion
Sunday	10am Holy Communion

Prayer Points

For those in need: Roger Sharp; Barbara Dowley; Grace Barnes; Betty Heaton; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge.

Those we remember: Rosemary Haseler (11/6/97); Trish Young (13/6/01); Mira Barratt (18/6/09); Tom Jones (21/6/2001).

For Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Holy Communion

Sidesperson

Tim Woodburn

Reader & Readings

Shane Woodburn: 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14; Galatians 5.1, 13-25

Liturgical Assistant

10am

Holy Communion

Flowers

The Flower Roster Ladies

Presiding & Preaching

Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

Organist

Colin Forbes

Chalice

Denise Manley & James Kim

Morning tea:

Welcomer

Helen Palethorpe

Liturgical Assistant

Elizabeth Allinson

Sidespeople

Fred Anchell & Hardy Palethorpe

Readers & Readings

Gail Langendorf: 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14

David French: Galatians 5.1, 13-25

Ann Munro & Helen Palethorpe



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Sunday 19 June 2016

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 276, 25, 598 & 561

Sentence

God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; and he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.
Acts 10.38

Prayer of the day

Pour out upon us, O God, the power and wisdom of your Spirit, so that we, who have been baptized into Christ and made your children through faith, may know your Son's power to heal, and, being made one in him, may overcome all barriers that divide us; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

1 Kings 19.1-15a; Psalms 42 & 43; Galatians 3.10-14, 23-39; Luke 8.26-39

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Roster Ladies

Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

8am Sidesperson:; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: David French;

10am Welcomer: Erika Langman; Sidespeople: Kerry-Anne Cousins & Volunteer; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon; Liturgical Assistant: Linda Anchell; Crucifer: Leighton Mann; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible readers: Fiona Dyer (OT), Pat Forbes (NT); Chalices: Tim Gulliver & Hardy Palethorpe; Morning Tea: Jan Gulliver & Volunteer

Psalms 42 & 43

PSALM 42

- 1 As a deer longs for the running brooks:
so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is thirsty for God, thirsty for the living God:
when shall I come and see his face?
- 3 My tears have been my food day and night:
while they ask me all day long `Where now is your God?'
- 4 As I pour out my soul by myself, I remember this:
how I went to the house of the Mighty One, into the temple of God,
- 5 To the shouts and songs of thanksgiving:
a multitude keeping high festival.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, my soul:
and why so unquiet within me?
- 7 O put your trust in God:
for I will praise him yet, who is my deliverer and my God.
- 8 My soul is heavy within me:
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, from Mizar
among the hills of Hermon.
- 9 Deep calls to deep in the roar of your waters:
all your waves and breakers have gone over me.
- 10 Surely the Lord will grant his loving mercy in the day-time:
and in the night his song will be with me, a prayer to the God of my life.
- 11 I will say to God, my rock, `Why have you forgotten me:
why must I go like a mourner because the enemy oppresses me?'
- 12 Like a sword through my bones, my enemies have mocked me:
while they ask me all day long `Where now is your God?'
- 13 Why are you so full of heaviness, my soul:
and why so unquiet within me?
- 14 O put your trust in God:
for I will praise him yet, who is my deliverer and my God.

PSALM 43

- 1 Give judgement for me, O God, take up my cause against an ungodly people:
deliver me from the deceitful and unjust.
- 2 For you are God my refuge-why have you turned me away:
why must I go like a mourner because the enemy oppresses me?
- 3 O send out your light and your truth, and let them lead me:
let them guide me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.
- 4 Then I shall go to the altar of God, to God my joy and my delight:
and to the harp I shall sing your praises, O God, my God.
- 5 Why are you so full of heaviness, my soul:
and why so unquiet within me?
- 6 O put your trust in God:
for I will praise him yet, who is my deliverer and my God.

From the Locum Tenens Rector

These beautiful psalms form a unit and function as one psalm. These are the first psalms of Book II of the Psalter (42-72) and together with Psalm 44 they make up an introduction to this part of the work. The psalms in this Book seem to have the purpose of preparing the Judeans for the heartbreaking consequences of the exile (596-539 BC) in Babylon.

The imagery of these two psalms has permeated Christian spirituality; the soul that longs for God but finds itself remote from the Presence. That spirit pervades the beginning of St. Augustine's Confessions: "The thought of [God] stirs the [human being] so deeply that he cannot be content unless he praises you, because you made us for yourself and our hearts find no peace until they rest in you."

This psalm (Psalm 42-43 could be read as one poem) is all about confessing faith in a hostile, mocking environment that does not support faith and refuses to believe that human happiness derives from and depends on God.

The first part laments the psalmist's separation from God especially when meeting with the people of God in worship and praise (42.1-5). The poet is as thirsty as an exhausted antelope at a dry waterhole, finding no life. The psalmist seems exiled from the temple and from his fellow believers and all he can do is remember. Remember he does, and that stirs his desire for hope. Meeting the Great Presence in the presence of others praising and worshipping kindles hope and the trust that God will help.

The second part laments the chaos of a great flood (42.6-11), a very different image of water! Everything overwhelms the poet exiled as he is far to the north of Jerusalem (6). The psalmist remembers God's steadfast love in the morning and sings praises in the evening but life is still in chaos. He has not forgotten God but God seems to have forgotten him and his adversaries taunt and oppress him.

The third part now enters into vigorous and forthright petition (43.1-5). The psalmist wants God's powerful defence against oppression, deceit and injustice. The writer wants to stand tall against the oppressors and deriders. The only way is for God's light and truth once again to lead him back into the Presence, into worship and into fellowship.

This psalm directly contradicts our culture that tells us that we are self-grounded and self-directed. The only way of life is to hope in the midst of despair; to commit oneself to the steadfast love of God

Colin

PRAYERS

. We pray for our children and young families. We pray we find someone to minister to them and we give thanks for the opportunities we have in this Parish.

. Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

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

Friday 24 June 5-7pm **Happy Hour** – Lamerton Centre
Theme: Significant birthdays & anniversaries 2016
Sunday 10 July 12-2.30 **Home Group** – Lamerton Centre

Notices Please see the website, www.stphilipsoconnor.org.au or the noticeboard in the foyer.

TODAY: Local Mission Project 2016 – Common Ground, Canberra.

Donation envelopes provided or EFT to BSB: 702389, Acc No: 05202512,
Name: St Philip's Anglican Church, Ref: Local mission project.
You should find a pre-labeled envelope in your pewsheets with all payment/donation details noted on it.

ACORN ALERT

- It is that time of year again when the falling acorns on the paths and nature strip at the front of the church present a risk of accidents. Parish Council will approach Territory and Municipal Services (TAMS) when the acorns have stopped falling and it is our experience that they then come promptly to clear them up. IN THE MEANTIME Parish Council would ask parishioners to be alert and very careful when walking on the nature strip and pathways along Moorhouse Street.

KEY POINTS FROM JUNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- Parish Council underlines the importance of Safe Ministry training as a part of Diocesan governance and urges all those who are required to have this training to undertake it or, as necessary, attend a refresher course.
- Rev. Colin has recently convened the Pastoral Care Group to review how it is operating.
- Parish Council would value your prayers for the appointment of a new Rector and for children's ministry (see below).
- Parish Council continues to work on the Rectory renovation project and is currently focusing on the exterior of the building, particularly roofing, fencing and landscaping issues. Pandora's donation of \$5000 to the Rectory renovation project is most appreciated.
- There remain vacancies for some additional voluntary assistance in the Parish Office and for the cleaning of the church linen. Anyone willing to assist with these duties should speak to Rev. Colin or a Parish Warden.