

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 - holiday break
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: Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Betty Heaton; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley (thanks for healing so far and pray for continued improvement); Klaus Fleigner and family.

Those we remember: Robert Dixon (29/9/89); Coralie Sawyer (29/9/91); Anne-Marie Fleigner.

For Next Sunday -

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Holy Communion

Sidesperson

John Girdlestone

Reader & Readings

John Girdlestone: Lamentations 1.1-6;
2 Timothy 1.1-14

Liturgical Assistant

Elizabeth Allinson

10am Holy Communion

Flowers

The Flower Roster Ladies

Welcomer

Denise Manley

Presiding & Preaching

Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon

Liturgical Assistant

Philippa Wicks

Organist

Colin Forbes

Sidespeople

Sally Adams & Roger Sharp

Chalice

Tim Gulliver & James Kim

Readers & Readings

Ashton Robinson: Lamentations 1.1-6,
Jack Adams: 2 Timothy 1.1-14

Morning tea:

Rebecca Palethorpe & Family



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Sunday 25 September 2016

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We welcome the Rev'd. Vicky Cullen to our service today at 10am. She is well known to many of us and we look forward to her sharing with us.

10am Music

Hymns: 111, 416, 211(Tune i) & 594

Sentence

Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

James 5.16

Prayer of the day

O God, from whom light rises in darkness for those who seek you: grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us do, that in your light we may see light, and in your narrow path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6.6-19;
Luke 16.19-31

Today's Rosters

Flowers: Anne Mahony & Rachael Tucharke (in memory of her mother-in-law)

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Robin Moore

Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn; Liturgical Assistant:; Bible Reader: Shane Woodburn;

10am Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: Jan & Tim Gulliver;

Pewsheets deadline: Thursday 12noon. Please forward notices and prayer points to pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au or 0414 309 469

Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Vicky Cullen; Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Rebecca Palethorpe (OT), Stephen Palethorpe (NT); Chalices: Denise Manley & Hardy Palethorpe; Morning Tea: Ann Munro & Helen Palethorpe.

Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16

- 1 Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High:
who abide under the shadow of the Almighty,
- 2 They will say to the Lord `You are my refuge and my stronghold:
my God in whom I trust.'
- 3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the hunter:
and from the destroying curse.
- 4 He will cover you with his wings, and you will be safe under his feathers:
his faithfulness will be your shield and defence.
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night:
or of the arrow that flies by day,
- 6 Of the pestilence that walks about in darkness:
or the plague that destroys at noonday.
- 14 `You have set your love upon me,' says the Lord, `and therefore I will deliver you:
I will lift you out of danger, because you have known my name.
- 15 `When you call upon me I will answer you:
I will be with you in trouble, I will rescue you and bring you to honour.
- 16 `With long life I will satisfy you:
and fill you with my salvation.'

From the Locum Tenens Rector

Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16

This ancient psalm (its original use long lost in history) is used in its present context to respond to the terrible tragedy of the exile predicted in Jeremiah (see also Palm 89 to which it is a clear response). It is an eloquent profession of faith (1-13) to which God responds with a beautiful affirmation (14-16). The message is simple: God provides security and the psalmist trusts that. Ponder the expressive metaphors of God's protection in 1-2; shelter, shadow, refuge fortress. God provides asylum and protection for those who seek to live in that Presence or the shadow cast by the Presence. On such grounds God is worthy of total trust. But God not only provides a safe place for the psalmist. God also walks on the way, a companion on the way, providing a safe journey (3-6). At all times, night, day, darkness, noonday and in every danger and difficulty God is present. God is not only present but active on our behalf, seeking our good. God is faithful always to his covenant love towards his people and will never let them go. No time or circumstance is beyond God. No human, natural or demonic power can destroy God's people. Trust is described as loving, as knowing intimately, and as calling on God as companion (14-16). The verbs associated with God's protecting presence are worth much meditation: God delivers, protects, is with us, rescues, honours, satisfies and shows salvation. The psalm deserves its central place in the life of

faith.

Question: Read the metaphors used to describe God in God's relation to us. Take time to meditate on them. How do they speak to you? Use the same method and consider the verbs used to describe God's actions for us and towards us. What do they tell you about God and yourself?

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. **Amen.**

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

**Friday 30 Sep** 5-7pm **Happy Hour** – Lamerton Centre

Theme: Footy Fever (Footy Food!)

**Saturday 8 Oct** - 10am-12noon - **WORKING BEE – Rectory Grounds**

**Sunday 9 Oct** - St Philip's 2016 International Mission Project - **Al –Ahli Arab Hospital** (an ABM project)

**Sunday 16 Oct** 12.30-3.00 **Home Group** – Lamerton Centre.

### *Key Points from September Parish Council Meeting*

- Parish Council warmly welcomed the appointment of the Rev. Martin Johnson as the new Rector of St. Philips and very much looks forward to welcoming Martin and Susan in person to the Parish. The Council greatly appreciated the work of the Clergy Appointment Board and Rev. Colin's willingness during the long process to continue to serve as Locum.
- Further information on Martin and Susan's arrival will be provided in due course.
- The completion of the Rectory renovation program remains a priority. There are a number of tasks to be completed outside the Rectory. These are in hand and will be progressed as soon as our chosen tradesman is available.
- A further Rectory Working Bee will be held from 10am to noon on Saturday 8 October to progress work in the garden.
- Parish Council thanked Roger Sharp for his efforts in finalising the new Parish signage which will enable the Parish to communicate better with the local community and visitors.
- The Davidsons who have led the Youth Group since 2012 have advised Parish Council that they will no longer be in a position to fulfil this role from the end of Term 3 (late September). Parish Council expressed its deep appreciation and admiration for their leadership and work over the last four years in forming and growing the Youth Group.
- Parish Council is very grateful to Rebecca and Stephen Palethorpe and Tim and Kim Begbie for their willingness to take over the leadership of the Youth Group on a fortnightly basis during term time.