

This coming week @ St Philip's

Tue	1.30pm	Sir Leslie Morshead Manor
Tue – Fri	8am	Morning Prayer
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	10am	Eucharist and Morning Tea
Friday	10am – 1pm	Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
Saturday	10am – 1pm	Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
	10.30am	Eucharist @ Kankinya

Prayer Points

For those in need: Pat Forbes; Colin Forbes; Fred Langman; Roger Sharp; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret & Claude Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley. The family and friends of Spencer Vitnell.

Those we remember: John Gamble (22/8/93); John Williams (2/9/04).
Recently departed: Mr Spencer Vitnell

Next Sunday – Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Readings: Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1.17-27;
Mark 7.1-8, 14-23

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Canon Professor Scott Cowdell
Sidesperson: John Girdlestone
Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson
Readers: John Girdlestone

10am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Welcomer: Denise Manley
Sidespeople: Sally Adams & Nirmal Farrington
Music: Colin Forbes
Liturgical Assistant: Sarah Gowty
Readers: tba (1st)
tba (2nd)
Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gulliver
Morning tea: Helen Palethorpe & Volunteer

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

EFTPOS available in the foyer to assist with your giving.



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Sunday 26 August 2018

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 477 (t446), 427, 414 (t219i) & 561

Sentence

Jesus said, 'It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.'

John 6.63

Prayer of the day

Everliving God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear the prayers we offer for all your faithful people, that in the ministry to which you have called them each may serve you in holiness and truth; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Joshua 24.1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34.15-22; Ephesians 6.10-20; John 6.56-69.

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team.

8am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: Shane Woodburn.

10am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: Fred Anchell & Hardy Palethorpe; Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Pat Forbes (1st), Tim Gulliver (2nd); Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Doreen Odom; Morning Tea: Rosemary Knight & Alison Davidson.

Psalm 34.15-22

- 15 The eyes of God are on the righteous:
and his ears towards their cry.
- 16 The Lord sets his face against wrongdoers:
to root out their memory from the earth.
- 17 The righteous cry; the Lord hears it:
and frees them from all their afflictions.
- 18 The Lord is close to those who are broken-hearted:
and the crushed in spirit he saves.
- 19 The trials of the righteous are many:
but our God delivers us from them all.
- 20 He guards all our bones:
so that not one is broken.
- 21 Evil will slay the wicked:
and those who hate the righteous will be destroyed.
- 22 The Lord ransoms the lives of his servants:
and none who hide in him will be destroyed.

From the Rector

Dear Friends

The Annual Diocesan Clergy Retreat was held this year at St Clement's Galong and led by Allan Ewing, formerly the Bishop of Bunbury. Bishop Allan used as his text one of the responses to the closing prayer in the Eucharist. It begins: Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice. He asked us to dwell on what this might mean for each of us in our various ministries and to help us he described the lives of a number of Christians throughout the centuries and their particular living sacrifice.

We explored the Biblical foundations of a living sacrifice in Romans chapter 12 and from there looked at the Book of Common Prayer and its idea of the offering of a reasonable, holy and 'lively sacrifice.' We considered the lives of Julian of Norwich, John Bunyan (we'll conclude today with his famous hymn), Simone Weill, Charles de Foucauld and James Benson, a priest of this diocese. Each of them in quite unique ways demonstrated the offering of a living sacrifice. Deacon Robin and I enjoyed the time of refreshment and the time to consider our own lively sacrifice, thank you for providing us with that opportunity.

During my time on retreat I read 'Worship' by the Anglican mystic Evelyn Underhill. Between the wars she became a much sought after retreat conductor and in the final chapter of Worship titled The Anglican Tradition she speaks of the revival of the retreat movement in her day. She describes how even those who have 'little affection' for their place of origin (in other words the Roman Catholic Church) are finding great value in retreats. It is from such times of contemplation that what she

describes as the true business of the church goes forward: The reasonable, holy and living sacrifice is still offered for the whole created order by a company of faithful souls.

May we at St Philip's indeed be a part of faithful company!

As winter draws to a close we enter into a busy time in the Parish and wider Church. Our Spring Fling is taking shape and promises to be a great event, the Diocese will be gathering twice in Synod, the first time as a 'Parliament' to discuss the life of the Diocese, the second to elect a Bishop to lead us. These are all important events in the life of our Church, can I encourage you to play a role. If you can help in any way with our Spring Fling, have a chat with Leighton, he will happily put you to work! At Synod this year we will be under represented and this is problematic if we really want our voice to be heard. Can I ask that we all prayerfully and carefully consider our own 'lively sacrifice'. Can we perhaps offer ourselves as a Synod Representative, Parish Councillor or Churchwarden? Whilst our AGM seems a long way off it will soon be upon us.

Blessings **Martin**

St Philip's Calendar

<http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php>

Today	26 Aug 12.30 – 3pm	Home Group – Lamerton Centre All Welcome!
Friday	31 Aug – 5-7pm	Happy Hour – Lamerton Centre <i>Theme: Major Birthdays & Anniversaries!</i>
Wed'day	5 Sep 7pm	Parish Council – Lamerton Centre
Friday	7 Sep 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Friday	7 -9 Sep	Synod Meeting – Goulburn
Sunday	16 Sep 11.15am	Spring Fling Meeting after 10am Service
Friday	21 Sep 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Saturday	22 Sep 10am – 2pm	Spring Fling – Fashion Parade @ 12.30
Friday	28 Sep – 5-7pm	Happy Hour – Lamerton Centre <i>Theme: Seafood Extravaganza</i>

The Anglican Church of St Paul's, Ginninderra at Mt Rogers Community Centre (old Spence Primary School) - Curley St entrance (where our Dinka friends now worship) is having a fund raising Bush Dance and Singalong on Saturday, 1 September at 7.30pm (with proceeds going to their various mission projects). Entry is by donation and a light supper is provided. Everyone is very welcome to join in. RSVP for catering. This should be a fun night for a good cause. See Denise for any further required information.