

## *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: James Kim; Sam Mahony; Fred Langman; Roger Sharp; Roberta; Margaret & Claude Woodbridge.

Those we remember: Peter Blaseotto (10/12/03).

## *Next Sunday – Secon Sunday of Advent*

### **Readings:**

Malachi 3.1-14; Luke 1.68-79; Philippians 1.1-11 Luke 3.1-16.

Flowers: The Flower Team

**8am:** Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson  
Sidesperson: Volunteer  
Liturgical Assistant: Elise Palethorpe  
Reader: Susan Johnson

**10am:** Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson  
Welcomer: Davidson Family  
Sidespeople: Alison & Alistair Davidson  
Music: Colin Forbes  
Liturgical Assistant: Revd Linda Anshell  
Crucifer: Leighton Mann  
Readers: Gail Langendorf (1st)  
Rosemary Knight (2nd)  
Chalice Servers: James Kim & Doreen Odom  
Morning tea: Doreen Odom & Beryl Blaseotto

*Pewsheets deadline: Thursday 12noon. Please forward notices and prayer points to [pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au](mailto:pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au) or 0414 309 469*

**EFTPOS available in the foyer to assist with your giving.**



# St Philip's *Come & See*

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## **Sunday 2 December 2018**

### *First Sunday in Advent*

#### *10am Music*

**Hymns: 284 (t275), 286, 258, 283 & 288**

#### *Sentence*

*Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near.*

*Luke 21.28*

#### *Prayer of the day*

*Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may go our joyfully to meet him; and, with all your saints, may worship you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

#### *Today's Readings*

Jeremiah 33.14-16; Psalm 25.1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13; Luke 21.25-38.

#### *Today's Rosters*

Flowers: The Flower Team.

**8am** Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Canon Professor Scott Cowdell Sidesperson: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Peter Wilson; Bible Reader: John Girdlestone.

**10am** Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Helen & Hardy Palethorpe; Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: tba (1<sup>st</sup>), tba (2<sup>nd</sup>); Chalice Servers: Tim Gulliver & Denise Manley; Morning Tea: Rebecca Palethorpe Family.

## Psalm 25.1-10

- 1 In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope:  
in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who wait for you be put to shame:  
but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord:  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me:  
for you are the God of my salvation.
- 5 In you have I hoped all the day long:  
because of your goodness, O Lord.
- 6 Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness:  
for they are from of old.
- 7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions:  
but according to your mercy think on me.
- 8 Good and upright is the Lord:  
therefore will he direct sinners in the way.
- 9 The meek he will guide in the path of justice:  
and teach the humble his ways.
- 10 All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true:  
for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.

## From the Rector

Dear Friends

The season of Advent arrives and with it a New Year. Today we begin year C the year of Luke and readings from this Gospel will dominate the lectionary. The poet Dante gave Luke the title *scriba mansuetudinis Christi* best translated as 'narrator of the winning gentleness of Christ.' I think we will find 'winning gentleness' played out throughout the gospel.

That winning gentleness in Luke's account is often manifest in hospitality. For Luke significant events and exchanges happen in the context of meals and the offering of hospitality generally. In this gospel we are encouraged to consider how this guest that comes into our lives will be received; because in receiving this guest we are brought into the wider hospitality of God and the visitor becomes our host. It is perhaps in the famous story of Zacchaeus that we can see this played out. This year of Luke then is our opportunity at St Philip's to consider the hospitality we offer as a parish so that we, and those who come into our midst, might glimpse the hospitality of God.

Our church building was dedicated on December 16th 1961. We will celebrate that Dedication with a Festal Eucharist next month on December 16th. Former

Rector of the parish Fr Robert Willson will be our guest preacher at the 10.00am Eucharist. On that day we will remember with thanksgiving those whose vision and faith resulted in the place in which we continually find the presence of God. It is an opportunity to remember that one of the truths of the incarnation, the fact that the word became flesh, and becomes flesh still, means that although we worship a God who is transcendent, universal, omnipresent and all those other big words, we worship a God who is also located, who meets us in particular places, at particular times. Who meets us, amongst other places, here at St Philip's. This is our place where we offer hospitality and God welcomes us.

Next year we engage with Luke's gospel and through it consider how we might continue to offer hospitality in this place into the future, what might that look like in our rapidly changing world. Our Lenten studies are shaping up to be engaging and encouraging! We will be launching a monthly group for conversation and lunch and inviting visiting preachers and speakers to help us create our vision.

In 2020 we will have to consider the issues of stewardship etc and in 2021 we have a celebratory year culminating in the 60th Anniversary of the Dedication of St Philip's. More on all this very soon, lots to look forward to! Happy New Year to you all!

Blessings, **Martin**

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

**Wed'day** 5 Dec 7pm Parish Council – Lamerton Centre  
**Friday** 14 Dec 7 – 8.30pm St Philip's Youth Group  
**Sunday** 16 Dec 7.30pm St Philip's Carol Service – Nine Lessons and Carols, followed by supper. Please bring some food to share.

**PLEASE SEE SEPARATE SHEET FOR ALL CHRISTMAS SERVICES.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT PARISH COUNCIL IS ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE TO WATER THE GARDENS OVER THE SUMMER. JUST ONCE A WEEK FOR ONE WEEK! NOTICE IN THE FOYER OR SPEAK TO DENISE OR ROGER.**

**Accommodation Sought:** Single public servant (regular parishioner) seeking to rent within the Inner North (preference for O'Connor/Lyneham region) in January/February 2019. Ideally looking for a granny flat/self contained unit to allow for individual space while having the assurance and security of living iwith a household. Please contact Rebecca Kleinig via email at [rebeccakleinig@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccakleinig@gmail.com) to discuss any opportunities that you may know of.

## Advent Calendar

Enjoy the St Philip's 2018 Advent Calendar, with readings, poetry, prayer, art and music for each day of the season. Follow the link on the St Philip's webpage!