

## *This coming week @ St Philip's*

|           |   |                              |
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| Monday    | St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre |                              |
| 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: Jacob Burridge; Roger Sharp; James Kim; Brian McKinlay; Ken Smith; Rosemary Lohmann; Chris Hudlass; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.  
Those we remember: Nancy Ingle (9/2/61); Alison Done (10/2/53).

## *Next Sunday – First Sunday in Lent*

**Readings:** Genesis 9.8-17; Ps 25.1-10; 1 Peter 3.18-22  
Mark 1.9-15

**Presiding & Preaching:** The Rev'd Martin Johnson

**No flowers in Lent**

**8am:** Sidesperson: Volunteer  
Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson  
Readers: Volunteer

**10am:**  
Welcomer: Erika Langman  
Sidespeople: Peter Andersson & Kerry-Anne Cousins  
Music: Colin Forbes  
Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson  
Readers: Pat Forbes (OT)  
Tim Gulliver (NT)  
Chalice Servers: Tim Gulliver & Volunteer  
Morning tea: Anne Mahony & Jan Gulliver

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

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# St Philip's *Come & See*

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## **Sunday 11 February 2018**

### *Transfiguration*

*10am Music*

**Hymns: 234, 212, 143 & 245**

*Sentence*

*It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.* *2 Corinthians 4.6*

*Prayer of the day*

*Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.***

*Today's Readings*

2 Kings 2.1-12; Psalm 50.1-6; 2 Corinthians 4.3-12; Mark 9.2-9

*Today's Rosters*

Flowers: Ann Mahony

**8am** Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Vicki Luker; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Readers: Joseph & Dominic Lloyd.

**10am** Welcomer: Davidson Family; Sidespeople: Fred Anchell & Brian McKinlay; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Rev'd Linda Anchell; Crucifer: Leighton Mann; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Jack Adams (OT), Fiona Dyer (NT); Chalice Servers: Doreen Odom & Volunteer; Morning Tea: Beryl Blaseotto & Doreen Odom.

## Psalm 50.1-6

- 1 The Lord our God, the Mighty One, has spoken:  
and summoned the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting in the west.
- 2 From Zion, perfect in beauty:  
God has shone out in glory.
- 3 Our God is coming, he will not keep silent:  
before him is devouring fire, and tempest whirls about him.
- 4 He calls to the heavens above:  
and to the earth, so he may judge his people.
- 5 'Gather to me my faithful ones:  
those who by sacrifice made a covenant with me.'
- 6 The heavens shall proclaim his righteousness:  
for God himself is judge.

## From the Rector

Dear Friends

Today we conclude the Epiphany season with the vision of Christ Transfigured – the season of revelation concludes with this glimpse of the resurrection. Just as Peter said 'it is good Lord to be here,' it is good for us to have this glimpse of Christ in glory before we enter our Lenten journey - this is our goal!

Ash Wednesday will be commemorated on Wednesday 14th February with Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at 7.00pm; again an important beginning to our journey. During Lent we shall use the ABM resources for our study. The study is framed around the UN goals for sustainability and development and our General Synod's theological response to them. These issues have been given a thorough political and ideological working over, often with results that are skewed! What about the theological?

On Tuesday evening from 5.30pm Pancakes will be served in the Lamerton Centre if anyone would like to drop by. If you wish to, bring a pancake mixture to cook up. We will also be burning last year's Palm Crosses ready for Ash Wednesday.

Our AGM will soon be upon us, a time for us to consider the year that has passed with thanksgiving and to look forward and plan with hope. It is no bad thing that our AGM falls during the Lenten season, a time of introspection and reassessment. Nomination forms are now available for positions of Parish Councillors and Churchwardens. Please consider prayerfully your role in the parish and what gifts you can offer. If you have any questions about your involvement please don't hesitate to ask.

I describe the Transfiguration as a glimpse of the Resurrection. But you might say isn't that yet to come in the gospels. It is if we read and understand the life of Jesus as occurring simply 'in time.' But of course Jesus is also beyond time and space and we can but glimpse this mystery. I read this recently which I enjoyed and was moved by:

*The future has a way of rewriting the past. The young man who had to attend his college of second choice doesn't even recall his first selection, not when he meets the girl of his dreams on campus. A grief transfigures to gladness, yet the past didn't change. A parent laments the toll, that a child with special needs exacts, until those very needs prove their worth, becoming a source of blessing for all who know the adult. History regularly rewrites itself. To use our odd word, it "transfigures" in significance, and it will do so until its close.*

I look forward to celebrating Lent together and to experiencing the radical renewal of Easter when with Peter we can say 'Tis good Lord to be here.

Blessings, **Martin.**

## St Philip's Calendar

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

**Tuesday** 13 Feb, 5 – 7pm  
**Wed'day** 14 Feb, 7pm

**Friday** 23 Feb, 5 – 7pm  
**Friday** 23 Feb, 7 – 8.30pm  
**Sunday** 25 Feb, 11.15am  
**Saturday** 3 Mar, 9am – 5pm  
**Friday** 9 Mar, 7 – 8.30pm  
**Friday** 23 Mar, 5 – 7pm  
**Friday** 23 Mar, 7 – 8.30pm

**Pancake Dinner**  
**Ash Wednesday Eucharist** with  
Imposition of Ashes  
**Happy Hour** – Lamerton Centre  
**St Philip's Youth Group**  
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**Synod Meeting** - Goulburn  
**St Philip's Youth Group**  
**Happy Hour** – Lamerton Centre  
**St Philip's Youth Group**

As our Archdeacon, Erica Mathieson, has announced her retirement after Easter, a card will be available for signing by members of this Parish, in deep gratitude to both her and her husband, the Rev' Dr Ray Williamson, who both looked after us during and after the final illness of our dear rector, Rob Lamerton.

Our friends Candace and Kenny Sheppard will soon depart from Australia to return to Canada, after touring around to see as much of Australia as they can. There will be a 'pot luck' dinner held to say goodbye and good luck at Denise Manley's home – 14 Luehmann Street, Page on Saturday 24 February, commencing at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to come. Please call 0414 309 469 with any questions.

## *Key Points from February Parish Council Meeting*

- At its meeting on 7 February, the Parish Council considered the agenda and papers for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held at 11.15am sharp on Sunday 25 February.
- After the normal business and elections, the AGM will have two general business items:
  - o Carola Parke Bequest
  - o Designation of 2018 Local Mission
- Parishioners wishing to, or thinking of, filling vacancies on the Parish Council for 2018 should talk to Rev'd Martin well before the AGM.
- Work on the Rectory Renovation Project was essentially completed during December/January with just some final painting and a bit of work on a small section of eaves remaining.
- The replacement of the church and kindergarten fascia boards was completed in December and the courtyard tree was pruned. In January, a bee infestation in the vestry was removed, the dishwasher in the Lamerton Centre repaired and the waste from the trimming of the courtyard tree was removed.
- The St Philip's Autumn Market Morning will be held on Saturday 14 April from 9am to 1pm.