

..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

Confirmees: Beth Adams; Jack Adams; Kenzo Boyle; Dominic Lloyd; Joseph Lloyd; Sam Mahony; Jarrah Palethorpe; Noah Palethorpe; Ava Rath.

For those in need: Pat Forbes; Colin Forbes; Fred Langman; Roger Sharp; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.

Those we remember: Michael Gamble (24/7/97); Portia Vincent (26/7/90); Ellen Mahoney (29/7/00); Jyo Sen (2/8/94); June McKinlay (2/8/04).

Next Sunday – Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Readings: Exodus 16.2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78.22-28; Ephesians 4.1-16; John 6.24-35

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Canon 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: Philippa Wicks
Readers: tba (1st)
tba (2nd)
Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Tim Gulliver
Morning tea: Rebecca Palethorpe & Family

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 29 July 2018

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 472, 429, 584(i) & 611 (t142)

Sentence

'I am the living bread that came down from heaven,' says the Lord.
'Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give
for the life of the world is my flesh.'

John 6.51

Prayer of the day

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth: grant that, believing in the one whom you have sent, we may know him to be the true bread of heaven and the food of eternal life, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be glory and honour for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

2 Kings 4.42-44; Psalm 145.10-18; Ephesians 3.14-21; John 6.1-21.

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team.

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

10am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Volunteers; Crucifer: Zara Mann; Server: Leighton Mann; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Colin Dundon (1st), Jack Adams (2nd); Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & James Kim; Morning Tea: Volunteers.

Psalm 145.10-18

- 10 All creation praises you, O Lord:
and your faithful servants bless your name.
- 11 They speak of the glory of your kingdom:
and tell of your great might,
- 12 That the whole earth may know your mighty acts:
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and your dominion endures through all generations. (This verse is not included, as it is not in the Massoretic text)
- 14 The Lord upholds all those who stumble:
and raises up those that are bowed down.
- 15 The eyes of all look to you in hope:
and you give them their food in due season;
- 16 You open wide your hand:
and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.
- 17 The Lord is just in all his ways:
and faithful in all his dealings.
- 18 The Lord is near to all who call upon him:
to all who call upon him in truth.

From the Rector

Dear Friends

The feeding of the five thousand is perhaps among the best known accounts in the gospels, it appears in all four so it was obviously considered important by the gospel writers. In our day of course we are rather hung up with the question 'what really happened.' Some folks are content with the idea that Jesus is demonstrating his divine power, others seeking a more 'rational' explanation claim that the story is all about sharing, and that if we share what we have all will be well and there will be more left over! Neither of the explanations, on its own, is sufficient.

The best commentary on the feeding miracles is that which is provided by scripture itself. We will be hearing this interpretation over the coming weeks. Today we hear John's account of the feeding of the 5,000. Next week will hear that the crowds who were fed clearly misunderstood what it was all about. And the following week we will hear Jesus proclaim 'I am the bread of life.' This is important because this gospel passage will be heard in the context of our Confirmation service.

Our Confirmation candidates have been considering the Passover in their preparation. The 'Old Passover' we learnt about by watching and considering the movie the 'Prince of Egypt.' It is the story of Moses and the Exodus. It celebrates the freedom won for the Hebrews, it is the story that the Hebrew Scriptures revolve around. At the Confirmation service, as we do every Sunday, we will celebrate the new Passover. We celebrate and make present the redemption won for us by Christ and our candidates will make their

communion as adult members of the Church.

Like the Passover the Eucharist is the Church's family meal, which sustains us through the 'desert' of earthly life. It is for all people all races, colours, tongues – the Jew and the Greek. It makes present too the banquet at the end of time when we will all be at one with each other and with God.

Please continue to hold the candidates in your prayers. We have met this week to think about prayer, ways of praying – the different prayers that we use privately and together in worship. Next Sunday we will celebrate the baptism of Olive Jaensch. At this service we will experience together the Passover in its fullest - through the waters of Baptism, our own Red Sea and then in the meal together when we recall our own redemption in Christ. Please keep these dates in your diary as we support these new members of the Church.

As I said in last weeks' note our calling is to hold together both the social and the personal gospel. We can find this played out in these weeks. In our personal faith in the God that feeds each one of us in every way; but also our social responsibilities to reach out and share out of our abundance, in every way.

Blessings,

Martin

St Philip's Calendar

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

Wed'day	1 Aug - 7pm	Parish Council – Lamerton Centre
Sunday	5 Aug – 10am	Sunday Zone @ St Philip's – and Baptism of Olive Jaensch.
Sunday	5 Aug	Collection for our National Mission Project
Friday	10 Aug 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday	12 Aug – 10am	Confirmation Service & Sunday Zone @ St Philip's (Family Service) Bishop Stephen Pickard will celebrate. Followed by special morning tea. Please bring some food to share.
Friday	24 Aug 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday	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>

St Philip's **Spring Fling** is coming around soon, Sat 22 September. We need to start planning now for this event. We'll have our first planning meeting today, 29 July, after the 10am service. Anyone interested in helping with the planning or running a stall please come along. Please see Leighton for any further info.