

## This coming week @ St Philip's

Tue	1.30pm	Eucharist @ - 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: Linda & Fred Anchell; Peter Andersson; Margaret & Claude Woodbridge; James Kim & Brian McKinlay; Fred & Erika Langman. The family of Betty Jennings.

Those we remember: Betty Jennings (26/2/19); Merryn Bannerman (5/3/85); Daphne Hall (5/3/95); David Gowty (6/3/13).

## Next Sunday - First Sunday in Lent

**Readings:** Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Ps 91.1-, 9-16;  
Romans 10.4-13; Luke 4.1-15

Flowers: None in Lent

**8am:** Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson  
Sidesperson: Vicki Luker  
Liturgical Assistant: Elise Palethorpe  
Readers: Rebecca Palethorpe (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Vicki Luker (2<sup>nd</sup>)

**10am:** Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson  
Welcomer: Janene Broere  
Sidespeople: Louise & Matt McKay  
Music: Colin Forbes  
Liturgical Assistant: tba  
Readers: Fiona Dyer (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Jack Adams (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Chalice Servers: James Kim, Tim Gulliver & Doreen Odom  
Morning tea: Rebecca & Steve Palethorpe

*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.**

**The funeral of our late friend, Betty Jennings, will be held at St Philip's on Monday, 4 March 2019 at 3.30pm. All welcome.**



# St Philip's Come & See

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## Sunday 3 March 2019

### Transfiguration

10am Music

**Hymns: 474, 243, 675 & 666**

### Sentence

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.*

*John 1.14*

### Prayer of the day

*O God, glorious and faithful, you reveal the beauty of your face to those who seek you with a sincere heart: strengthen us in faith to embrace the mystery of the cross, and open our hearts to its transforming power, so that, clinging in love to your will for us, we may walk as followers of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### Today's Readings

Exodus 34.29-35; Ps 99; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; Luke 9.28-36

### Today's Rosters

Flowers: Kerry-Anne Cousins

**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: Sally Adams & Nirmal Farrington; Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Joseph Lloyd (1<sup>st</sup>), Dominic Lloyd (2<sup>nd</sup>); Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Doreen Sengati-Odom; Morning Tea: Rebecca & Steve Palethorpe.

## Psalm 99

- 1 The Lord is king, let the nations tremble:  
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake.
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion:  
he is high above all nations.
- 3 Let them praise your great and terrible name:  
for holy is the Lord.
- 4 The Mighty One is king and loves justice:  
you have established equity, you have dealt righteousness and justice in Jacob.
- 5 O exalt the Lord our God:  
and bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his name:  
they called to the Lord and he answered.
- 7 He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud:  
they kept to his teachings and the law that he gave them.
- 8 You answered them, O Lord our God:  
you were a forgiving God to them, and pardoned their wrongdoing.
- 9 O exalt the Lord our God:  
and bow down towards his holy hill, for the Lord our God is holy.

## From the Rector

Dear Friends

Thank you to those of you who attended and contributed to last Sunday's Annual General Meeting. Thank you too to those of you who were duly elected to roles as Churchwardens and Parish Councillors.

Today we celebrate the last Sunday after Epiphany and appropriately we do so by hearing the account of the Transfiguration. I say appropriately because the Sundays after Epiphany are all about the revelation of Jesus and the Transfiguration is revelation writ large! Jesus is revealed as the epitome of the law and the prophets embodied by Moses and Elijah, two giants of the Jewish faith. But as always Jesus is more than this, he is their fulfilment because he is 'my Son, my chosen' as the voice from the cloud attests. This is the first reason we celebrate as we do today

In many years gone by this Sunday was known as Quinquagesima, because it is fifty days to Easter. But in recent years we have begun to celebrate Transfiguration because it is a story which frames our Lenten journey. Today Jesus takes James and John and Peter to a high place apart and they experience a great vision. At the end of Lent Jesus (according to Matthew) Jesus takes the same three apart from the others in the garden of Gethsemane. There they experience the self-sacrifice of Jesus in his prayer 'not my will, but yours be done.' One writer put it: Peter, James and John see that the blinding power of God is exercised not in crushing and controlling, but in the sacrifice of love.

These stories tell us how glory and sacrifice are blended together, woven together in Jesus. This is what our Lenten journey is all about, understanding how we live between these two events and that is the second reason we celebrate as we do today.

Our journey begins this week: On Tuesday we'll enjoy games and pancakes in the Lamerton Centre - a traditional Pancake Day! If you have any Palm Crosses at home please bring them along and we'll burn them ready for Ash Wednesday. On Wednesday we'll celebrate the Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at 10.00am and 7.00pm and on Thursday we begin our Lenten studies with two gatherings – after the 10.00am Eucharist and at 7.00pm both in the Lamerton Centre. I'm very much looking forward to engaging with the scriptures with Dr Colin Dundon.

The sharp eyed among you will notice that a Book of the Gospels has been purchased and will be brought into Church, placed on the altar and used in the proclamation of the Gospel at the Sunday celebrations. We are looking to having a cover made for the book as we have been given an ornate plate depicting the four evangelists and scenes from the life of Christ...watch this space.

Blessings **Martin**

## St Philip's Calendar

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

<b>Tuesday</b> 5 Mar, 5-7pm	<b>Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Dinner</b>
<b>Wed'day</b> 6 Mar, 10am & 7 pm	<b>Ash Wednesday Eucharist</b> with imposition of ashes
<b>Thursday</b> 7 Mar, 11am & 7pm	<b>Lenten Studies</b> - prepared by Rev'd Dr Colin Dundon
<b>Friday</b> 8 Mar, 7 – 8.30pm	<b>St Philip's Youth Group</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 10 Mar, 11.30am	<b>Food 4 Thought (F4T)</b> – Lamerton Centre. <i>Topic: What we do in church and why we do it!</i>
<b>Wed'day</b> 13 Mar, 7-9pm	<b>Parish Council Meeting</b> – Lamerton Centre
<b>Sunday</b> 17 Mar, 11.20-11.40	<b>Training for Welcomers</b>
<b>Friday</b> 22 Mar, 7 – 8.30pm	<b>St Philip's Youth Group</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 23 Mar, 9am-1pm	<b>Autumn Market</b>
<i>Breakfast BBQ, Morning tea, Garage sale, Books, Kitchen creations and Pandora's</i>	
<b>Sunday</b> 24 Mar, 11.20-11.40	<b>Training for Sidespeople</b>
<b>Friday</b> 29 Mar, 5 – 7pm	<b>Happy Hour</b> – Lamerton Centre
<i>Theme: Seafood (for Lent!)</i>	
<b>Saturday</b> 30 Mar, 9-11am	<b>Working Bee</b> – clean up for Easter
<b>Sunday</b> 31 Mar, 11.20-11.40	<b>Training for Communion Servers</b>