

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 @ Canberra Aged Care

Prayer Points

For those in need: Don & Diane Grace; Margaret Reid; Roger Sharp.

Those we remember: Ted Moore (31/10/03); Marjorie Dixon (2/11/75); Frances Trivett (3/11/88); Keith Sen 4/11/86; Joyce Webster (10/11/10).

Next Sunday –

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Job 19.23-27a; Psalm 17.1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-17
Luke 20.27-40

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Sidesperson: Alison & Alistair Davidson
Liturgical Assistant: Elise Palethorpe
Readers: Alistair Davidson (1st)
Alison Davidson (2nd)

10am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Welcomer: Jeannette McHugh
Sidespeople: Janene Broere & Brian McKinlay
Server: Leighton Mann
Crucifer: Zara Mann
Music: Colin Forbes
Readers: Kerry-Anne Cousins (1st)
Louise McKay (2nd)
Chalice Servers: James Kim & Jeannette McHugh
Morning tea: Jan Gulliver & Beryl Blaseotto

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 3 November 2019

All Saints Day

10am Music

Hymns: 561, 642 (t156), 228 & 470

Sentence

Blessed are you when people hate and revile and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven.
Luke 6.22-23

Prayer of the day

Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love: grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18; Ps 149; Ephesians 1.11-23;
Luke 6.20-31

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Canon Professor Scott Cowdell;
Sidesperson: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Peter Wilson; Bible Readers: John Girdlestone (1st); Rosemary Knight (2nd).

10am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Canon Professor Scott Cowdell; Welcomer: Denise manley; Sidespeople: Nirmal Farrington & Anne Mahony; Liturgical Assistant: Sarah Gowty; Crucifer: Zara Mann; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Dominic Lloyd (1st); tba (2nd); Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Leighton Mann; Morning Tea: Helen Palethorpe & Family

Psalm 149

- 1 O praise the Lord, and sing to the Lord a new song:
O praise him in the assembly of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him:
let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.
- 3 Let them praise him in the dance:
let them sing his praise with timbrel and with harp.
- 4 For the Lord takes delight in his people:
he adorns the meek with his salvation.
- 5 Let his faithful ones exult in his glory:
let them sing for joy upon their beds.
- 6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouths:
and a two-edged sword in their hands,
- 7 To execute vengeance on the nations:
and chastisement upon the peoples,
- 8 To bind their kings in chains:
and their nobles with fetters of iron,
- 9 To visit upon them the judgement that is decreed:
such honour belongs to all his faithful servants. Praise the Lord.

From Canon Scott

For All the Saints ...

In 2001 I applied for the position of Sub-Dean at St Alban's Cathedral, just north of London. I missed out on the job, though to make me feel better the Dean hand-wrote at the bottom of his form letter to unsuccessful applicants that they'd very nearly short-listed me!

Anyway, St Alban, whose remains are kept at that Cathedral, was the first Christian martyr in Britain. His story is the focus of a popular community festival each year. Giant puppets worked from the ground with long poles represent the various characters in the story of Alban's courageous witness and his subsequent martyrdom. The streets are packed with locals, tourists and pilgrims as these ten-foot puppets proceed through the town, retelling the passion of St Alban, and ending with his beheading outside St Alban's Cathedral, where the bishop then blesses the crowds.

Sometime in the third or fourth century, during a persecution of Christians, a pagan called Alban had given shelter to a priest. Alban was so touched by the priest's holiness and prayerfulness that he became a convert to Christianity and was baptised. Later when soldiers came to arrest the priest, Alban took the priest's clothes and pretended to be him, so the priest could get away. This made the Roman governor so angry that Alban was punished in the priest's place. The story goes that Alban met his death bravely, calling on God to dry up a river so he could get more quickly to the place of execution. Then a spring was supposed to have

welled up when Alban echoed Jesus' words from the cross, "I thirst". Supposedly, too, the appointed executioner threw himself down before Alban and declared that the saint's witness had brought him to faith in Jesus Christ, only to lose his own head immediately after Alban did.

From St Alban, who confronted the Roman Empire with the claim of Jesus Christ, to Dietrich Bonhoeffer, who confronted the Third Reich with the same claim, and still today in many places, the saints and martyrs of Holy Church dream the world differently.

Those larger-than-life puppets telling the story of Alban remind us of what the saints and martyrs of are for. Their stories represent a larger-than-life witness to Jesus Christ, to the world-transforming glory of God, to a different way of perceiving and negotiating reality. Larger-than-life Christians, like St Alban and all the saints, help ordinary-sized Christians like me to dream larger dreams, and to stop settling for the mean and the mediocre. When people meet such Christian saints, conversions happen. The fabric of reality changes, too, opening things up to God's influence, which is what all those stories of the saints and their nature miracles point us to. The saints tell the gospel story in the flesh of each generation, larger than life. The saints tug our heartstrings in the direction of larger ambitions.

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

Today 3 Nov

Today 3 Nov, 10am

Wed'day 6 Nov, 7-9pm

Sunday 10 Nov, 11.30

Discussion & shared light lunch by donation. Everyone welcome.

Friday 15 Nov, 7 – 8.30pm

Saturday 16 Nov, 9 – 11am

Advent & Christmas

Friday 29 Nov, 7 – 8.30pm

Saturday 30 Nov, 5 – 6.30pm

St Philip's Youth Group
Working bee – general clean-up ready for
St Philip's Youth Group
Thank you Happy Hour – Complimentary drinks to say 'thank you' to everyone who has volunteered throughout the year with all the various tasks and ministries at St Philip's.

Saturday 30 Nov, 6.30pm

Advent Dinner – \$10 per head or \$25 per family. Please bring a salad or dessert to share & BYO drinks.

Friday 13 Dec, 7 – 8.30pm

St Philip's Youth Group

Spring Fling Curries: Did you bring a curry in a saucepan? Could you please check that you have the correct saucepan? We have lost someone's 'Scanpan' saucepan. If you accidentally took it home by mistake, please let Susan or Leighton know so we can sort it out. Thank you.