

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 our Confirmation Candidates and those being received into the Anglican Church.

For those in need: Margaret Reid; Pat & Alice Nolan; Roger Sharp.

Those we remember: Rebecca Palmer (15/10/96); Rev'd Rob Lamerton (17/10/08); Ivor Baldwin (18/10/05); Marjorie Sheehan (23/10/01); David Reid (27/10/94).

Next Sunday – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Jeremiah 14.7-10, 19-22; Psalm 84.1-7; 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18;
Luke 18.15-30

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn
Liturgical Assistant: tba
Readers: Shane Woodburn (1st)
Shane Woodburn (2nd)

10am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Welcomer: Janene Broere
Sidespeople: Kerry-Anne Cousins & Judith Swanson
Liturgical assistant: Sarah Gowty
Music: Colin Forbes
Readers: Fred Anchell (1st)
Denise Manley (2nd)
Chalice Servers: James Kim & Hardy Palethorpe
Morning tea: Helen Palethorpe & Janene Broere

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 20 October 2019

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Confirmation Service

10am Music

Hymns: 183, 431, 413, 417 & 626

Sentence

Will not God grant justice to those who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? Luke 18.7-8

Prayer of the day

Lord, tireless guardian of your people, teach us to rely, day and night, on your care. Drive us to seek your justice and your help, and support our prayer lest we grow weary, for in you alone is our strength. We make our prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Genesis 32.22-31; Ps 121; 2 Timothy 3.10-4.5; Luke 18.1-14

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Volunteer; Liturgical Assistant: tba; Bible Readers: Susan Johnson (1st); Russell McCaskie (2nd).

10am Presiding & Preaching: Rt Rev'd Dr Mark Short; Welcomer: Ros Dalziell; Sidespeople: Sally Adams & Janene Broere; Crucifer: Zara Mann; Server: Leighton Mann; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Fiona Dyer (1st); Jack Adams (2nd); Chalice Servers: Sanctuary Team; Morning Tea: Doreen Sengati-Odom & Helper.

Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills:
but where shall I find help?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord:
who has made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not suffer your foot to stumble:
and he who watches over you will not sleep.
- 4 Be sure he who has charge of Israel:
will neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The Lord himself is your keeper:
the Lord is your defence upon your right hand;
- 6 The sun shall not strike you by day:
nor shall the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord will defend you from all evil:
it is he who will guard your life.
- 8 The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in:
from this time forward for evermore.

From the Rector

Dear Friends

Today Bishop Mark comes to us for the first time as our Diocesan Bishop to preside at our Eucharist. We look forward to gathering and celebrating with him as our chief Pastor. During the week we celebrated the feast of Ignatius of Antioch, one of the earliest figures in the Church, being born about 35AD. He has quite a lot to say about Bishops: 'Wherever the bishop appears', he wrote, 'there let the people be, even as wheresoever Christ Jesus is, there is the catholic church. It is not lawful apart from the bishop either to baptize or to hold a love-feast [Eucharist].' So it a source of great joy for us to have Bishop Mark with us. There is a sense of completeness in our gathering with him.

There is a sense of completeness too in the Confirmation of Sarah and Bethany Gibson. Today they will take upon themselves and 'Confirm' the promises made by their Godparents at their Baptisms. Bishop Mark will sacramentally bestow upon them the gift of Spirit that they might be strengthened in their faith and Christian journey. Wendy Millington and David Reedy will be received as members of the Anglican Church. We assure them all of our prayers and welcome.

During their preparation Sophie and Bethany have been dwelling on the story of the Passover, the first in Egypt, the Hebrews celebrating and remembering as they journeyed in the wilderness, the Passover that Jesus celebrated and our Eucharistic Passover that we celebrate week in, week

out. Today in our reading from the Old Testament we will hear the story of Jacob wrestling with God. We too have been wrestling together as we have read our scriptures, said our prayers and considered our calling as mature Christians, as we considered our own Passover from slavery to freedom, from death to life. In some traditions Confirmees take a new name, much like Jacob, a reminder of their new identity, their maturity. I hope that neither Sophie nor Bethany are limping after their preparation but I do hope that have been challenged to deepen their faith and understanding of the God revealed to us in Christ.

During the week we celebrated the Funeral of our friend and long-time parishioner Peter Andersson. Many folk came from the Parish, the Bridge Club where he was a member, as well as former work colleagues, to pay tribute to him and mourn his passing. Thank you to those of you who helped in the setting up of the Lamerton Centre for the gathering after the liturgy and the clearing away. Peter's family and many friends were very appreciative of the hospitality offered to them. Thank you.

Blessings, **Martin**



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

October: International Mission project month – **ABM Zambia: Gender & Governance Project.** Please donate generously. Envelopes at the rear of the church.

Today	20 Oct, 10am	Confirmation Service with Bishop Mark,
Friday	25 Oct, 5 – 7pm	Happy Hour – Theme 'Oktoberfest with German BBQ'. All welcome.
Friday	1 Nov, 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday	3 Nov	All Saints Day
Sunday	3 Nov, 10am	Sunday Zone
Wed'day	6 Nov, 7-9pm	Parish Council Meeting
Sunday	10 Nov, 11.30	Food 4 Thought – LC Meeting Room
Friday	15 Nov, 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group

Discussion & shared light lunch by donation. Everyone welcome.