



The Angelus, Jean-Francois Millet (1857-1859) Musée d'Orsay, Paris.

The third Sunday after Pentecost Sunday 18 June 2023

Welcome to St Philip's

We acknowledge the Ngambri and Ngunnawal people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we worship, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present and emerging. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who worship with us.

St Philip's COVIDSafe Plan We are asking folk not attend church if they feel unwell, to be aware of their hand hygiene and to be mindful of social distance. Thank you. Masks are available for those who wish to wear one.

Pew sheet & Order of Service: the full Pew sheet with more news and reflections is available on our website. The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition, please use your phone/tablet and follow along. Service cards, Pew Bibles and Prayer Books are also available.

Offertory: at the offertory when our gifts are brought forward, there is an opportunity for you to make your contribution. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer, you can use it before or after the service. St Philip's EFT details are also available if you would like to make a direct transfer: 702-389 05202512. Giving cards are in the foyer if you wish to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically.

Communion: if you are baptised you are welcome to receive communion. If you would like to receive a blessing please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

If you'd like to volunteer as a reader, sidesperson, welcomer or another role on the Roster, then please email rosters@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

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From the Rector

Dear Friends

The dreadful events off the coast of Greece this week, the trauma and loss of life, remind us of the plight of those who board over crowded unseaworthy boats in an attempt to flee poverty, persecution and violence. We are at the heart of Refugee week. Today in our gospel reading Jesus calls and commissions the disciples they are far from perfect people! All twelve are called by their names, some still fitted with a suffix – it is a mixed bunch to say the least. They are sent out on a pilgrimage to discover 'the other' and in doing so to discover God, this pilgrimage becomes a transformative experience for those who have the courage to follow Jesus' call. Their mission remains ours today.

In the news you will read about the ministry of Pandora's this past week, I hope that we can discover new ways to respond to this crisis in our world.

Blessings to you all, Martin

Eucharist for the third Sunday after Pentecost

Introit Hymn 61(TiS) (10am)

Sing, all creation, sing to God in gladness. Joyously serve him, singing hymns of homage. Chanting his praises, come before his presence. Praise the Almighty.

Know that our God is Lord of all ages. He is our maker; we are all his creatures, people he fashioned, sheep he leads to pasture. Praise the Almighty.

Enter his temple, ringing out his praises; Sing in thanksgiving as you come before him; Blessing his bounty, glorify his greatness Praise the Almighty.

Great in his goodness is the Lord we worship; steadfast his kindness, love that knows no ending. Faithful his word is, changeless, everlasting. Praise the Almighty.

James Quinn 1919-2010

Entrance Antiphon

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.

Romans 5:1-2

In the name of the Father ▼ and of the son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you,

And also with you

Let us pray:

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us confess sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness. God has blessed us, but still God's children go hungry. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still the poor cry out for justice. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still we see inequality and oppression in the earth. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God,
Who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you * and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the righthand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:
All powerful God,
in Jesus Christ you turned death into life,
and defeat into victory:
increase our faith and trust in him,
that we may triumph over evil,
in the strength of the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of Exodus (19:2-8a)

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant,

you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.'

⁷ So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. ⁸The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.'

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100
O shout to the Lord in triumph, all the earth: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his face with songs of joy.
Know that the Lord he is God: it is he who has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Come into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: give thanks to him, and bless his holy name.
For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever: his faithfulness throughout all generations.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans (5:1-11)

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Thanks be to God.

For the word of the Lord.

Gradual hymn 450(TiS) (10am)

Spread, O spread, almighty word, spread the kingdom of the Lord, where the breath of God has given life to people meant for heaven.

Tell them how the Father's will made the world, and keeps it still; how his only Son he gave all from sin and death to save.

Tell of our Redeemer's love, who, for ever to remove all the guilt that on us lies, gave himself as sacrifice.

Tell them of the Spirit given now to guide us on to heaven, strong and holy, just and true, working both to will and do. Up! the ripening fields you see, mighty will the harvest be; but the reapers still are few, great the work they have to do.

Lord of harvest, kind and true, give us strength to work for you, till the nations everywhere see your light, and know your care.

Jonathan Frederich Bahnmaier 1774-1841

Gradual (8am)

Alleluia,

Alleluia!

As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'

Alleluia!

Matthew 10:7

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (9:35-10:8)

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. ⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead * and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ben, Hugh, Sarah, David, Otto, Bob, Noel, Deborah, Sue, Molly, Katherine, Matt, Wendy, David & Margot, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital or care.

We commend to God the recently departed especially Janet Campbell, those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Mira Barratt (18/6/2009), Tom Jones (21/6/2001), June Carnahan (21/6/2009), the victims of war and tragedy and those whose memories are dear to us.

The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you,

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn 183(TiS) (10am)

Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom, come to him and bless his name.

Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever, faithful to the end of days.

Refrain: Come, then, all you nations,

sing of your Lord's goodness,

melodies of praise and thanks to God.

Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music, worship him and bless his name.

Power he has wielded, honour is his garment, risen from the snares of death. His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken, new life he now gives to all. *Refrain*.

Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow, Spirit of our God most high; solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner, splendour of the living God. *Refrain*.

Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet, praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing, praise God till the end of days. *Refrain*.

Ernest Sands 1949 -

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed be God, who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Bless all we bring to your altar. May we feed upon the bread of God and drink the royal wine of heaven.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O God, eternal Wisdom, all you have made is beautiful and good.

We thank you for darkness and light, for this earth and for our bodies, for growth and change and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination.

In every generation you befriend your people.
You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets,
and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away.
You were vindicated in your servant Jesus
who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace.
Though we rejected him,
death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love.
You raised him up for us,
the firstborn from the dead,
to build a new community of hope
where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends.

And so we praise you with Mary, mother of the living Word, and with all your faithful friends, as we join the angels' song:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes № in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

God of the feast, your household is hungry

for the bread of heaven and the cup of life. Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration, so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it to share with them, and said: "Take and eat this: it is my body."

Then he took a cup of wine. Again he thanked you and told them: "Drink this, all of you: it is my blood, shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven.

Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me."
So we delight to remember Jesus: the faithfulness of his life, the victory of his cross, the glory of his resurrection, the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.

We proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God, holy Wisdom, merciful and generous, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Make us good stewards of creation, with justice in our hearts, courage in our actions and power in our speech to bear witness to the truth.

Protect us with your glory, unite your church in loyalty and love, and bring us home with all your saints to feast with you for ever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, and in the Spirit's grace, with heart and soul and mind and strength we love and worship you alone, O God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The breaking of bread and communion

As this broken bread was once many grains which have been gathered together and made one bread:

So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into our kingdom.

Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion Antiphon For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever: his faithfulness throughout all generations.

Psalm 100

The sending out of God's people

Let us pray: Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us to grow in love and obedience that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you for ever. Most loving God,

you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,

and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father ★ the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional hymn 59(TiS) (10am)

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make: we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why the Lord our God is good; his mercy is for ever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

William Kethe d.1594

News

The next session of 'An Introduction to Missional Spirituality' will be held next Saturday June 24. To help us engage with the material and with each other we will begin at 10.30am and break for lunch at 12.30. The session will conclude at 2.30pm. If you can't make it for the entire session, please come when you can and leave when you must.

St John's Care is seeking the following for its pantry: Small packets of sultanas, school lunch snacks, sweet biscuits, cooking oil, breakfast cereal, shampoo and conditioner The website: https://www.stjohnscare.org.au/ provides information on how we can help.

The updated **Parish Directory** is now available in hard or soft copy. If you would like a PDF copy (for your personal use only) please email or speak with Alison. If there are any updates required, please amend the copy marked as such in the front foyer of the church or let Alison know.

St Philip's Rosters We are always looking for volunteers to assist with the various rostered roles that support our worship services. We need more assistance in the sanctuary, this can be any of the following roles: Liturgical assistant, Crucifer, Server and/or Communion Server. We are also looking for people who can operate the screen during a service, this is an easy job you can do from the pew! Training is available for any of the above tasks. Please chat to Martin or Leighton if you can assist in any way.

The **Men's Group** gathered yesterday morning and enjoyed great fellowship, a hearty breakfast and were joined by Fr Michael Cockayne from the Celebration Community based in Queanbeyan. Fr Michael spoke of his journey to community life and the charism and work of the Community through the years. Thanks to Fr Michael, and to Bob Lindbeck for his planning and hospitality. We meet again on Tuesday.

Yesterday **Pandora's** raised well over \$850 towards the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre, a wonderful result. Thank you to the volunteers who prepared the shop and those who managed the shop during the day.

The Parish Council met during the week and among other business we reviewed the efficiency of the parish Solar systems. Steve Palethorpe, who provides expert advice on such things as solar power and sustainability reported a saving of over \$2,000pa on our power bills, by virtue of the Rectory system.

The May **Anglican News** has been published.

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Many thanks to all the contributors to this edition. You can email any contributions for future issues of the Anglican News to: anglicancg.org.au. If you would like a printed copy, please let the parish know.

Reflection

Revd Canon Professor Patrick Comerford, Priest-in-Charge in the Rathkeale and Kilnaughtin Group of Parishes, Eire.

Ordinary Time is the longest time in the Church year, and has few significant events; it has a kind of ordinariness that other seasons lack. There are no narrative high points, no showy colours or costumes, not even a signature hymn or two. We enter, as the poet TS Eliot says in Burnt Norton, 'at the still point':

At the still point of the turning world. Neither flesh nor fleshless; Neither from nor towards; at the still point, there the dance is ...

Burnt Norton, the first of Eliot's Four Quartets, is a poem of early summer, air and grace. For Eliot, it is in the movement of time that brief moments of eternity are caught. The revelation of God in Christ is at the intersection between eternity and time. Life can be very ordinary. But life and time, in their ordinary ways, are worth celebrating, time after time, in every ordinary life.

The poem After Trinity by John Meade Falkner (1858-1932) seems to convey something that is very Anglican about this time of the year, this Ordinary Time, when Sunday follows Sunday, through the beauty of creation and following the course of the natural year:

We have done with dogma and divinity, Easter and Whitsun past, The long, long Sundays after Trinity Are with us at last; The passionless Sundays after Trinity, Neither feast-day nor fast.

Christmas comes with plenty, Lent spreads out its pall, But these are five and twenty,

The longest Sundays of all; The placid Sundays after Trinity, Wheat-harvest, fruit-harvest, Fall.

Ordinary Time lasts these 'five and twenty Sundays' or so, for five or six months – until the beginning of Advent. But as Meade Falkner reminds us, some extra-ordinary things happen in this season of 'placid Sundays.' It is a time to mature and time to grow. Ordinary Time allows the Church to celebrate the ordinariness of life as we move into winter, here in the south.

The question for us is do you find yourself being brought nearer to God day-by-day, in a new way each morning, the ordinary, trivial things of daily life?

Our Gospel story begins with Jesus in ordinary, everyday situations, going 'about all the cities and villages' mixing with ordinary people, people who need hope, people who are sick, sore and sorry, people who are distressed, marginalised and suffering, and he has 'compassion for them, because they are harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd'. They are ordinary people, indeed, in ordinary places, in ordinary time.

And to answer their plight, to carry out his mission, he chooses 12 disciples, 12 ordinary people, with ordinary backgrounds and careers: Peter, who denies him three times; Andrew his brother, a fisherman; James and John, 'Mammy's boys' who jockey for position, unsure of what the Kingdom

of God is about; Philip, who could easily turn away Greek-speaking Gentiles; Matthew, despised as a tax collector; Thomas who doubts him; Judas who betrays him.

In our ordinary everyday lives, Christ calls us to follow him, not for our own self-satisfying feeling of being good, but to proclaim the Good News; not for our own advantage and enrichment, but because that is what the suffering world needs. We are called as ordinary people to do just that.

This week @ St Philip's

Today Third Sunday after Pentecost

8am Eucharist (followed by Breakfast)

10am Eucharist with hymns (followed by Morning tea)

Tuesday 20 June Feria*

10am-noon Men's Group

Weds 21 June Feria*

10am-Noon Pandora's Sorting & Preparation

Noon Funeral, Norwood Park – Janet Campbell RIP

Thursday 22 June Alban, first British martyr (d.c209)

10am Eucharist (followed by Morning tea)

Saturday 24 June Birth of John the Baptist 10am-1pm Pandora's - OPEN

10.30 – 2.30pm Seminar 4 – An Introduction to a Missional Spirituality

(see News section above)

11am Morning Prayer - Canberra Aged Care

Sunday 25 June Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Eucharist (followed by Breakfast)

10am Eucharist with hymns (followed by Morning tea)

Readings: Jeremiah 20:7-13, Psalm 69:7-10, Romans 6:1-11, Matthew:10-24-39

Rosters

		18-Jun-23	25-Jun-23	2-Jul-23	
Sunday of Month		3rd	4th	1st	
Liturgical Season		Third Sunday after Pentecost	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	
Flowers		Flower team	Flower team	Flower team	
Celebrant		Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Scott	
Preacher (if different to Celebrant)		Rev'd Scott			
Sidespeople		Rhonda & Susan	Shane & Tim	Margaret & Russell	
Liturgical Assistant	8am		Brian M (Lit assistant)	Susan J (server)	
Audio Visual Operator					
1st Bible reader - OT		Rebecca P	Shane W	Russell m	
2nd Bible reader - NT		Rebecca P	Shane W	Margaret M	
Celebrant		Rev'd Scott	Rev'd Martin	Rev'd Martin	
Preacher (if different to Celebrant)				Rev'd Scott	
Sidespeople & Welcomer		Jeannette M, Laura W	Sally A & Richard G	Fred A & Janene B	1
Liturgical Assistant	0am	Rev'd Martin (Lit assistant)	Philippa W (Lit assistant)	Leighton (crucifer)	
Audio Visual Operator	100				
Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist		Colin F Colin F	Colin F		
1st Bible reader - OT		Fred A	Jeannette D-T	Liz D	
2nd Bible reader - NT		Laura W	Lyn P	Colin D	
Morning Tea		Liz D	Helen P	Ann M & Barbara G	
Additional details/notes				School holidays	

^{*}A **Feria** is a day of the week other than Sunday or a feast day.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 29 July 10am – 1pm Pandora's *Christmas in July*

Saturday 29 July 2pm – 4pm Missional Spirituality - Seminar 5

Fri 8 - Sun 10 Sept Diocesan Synod Canberra, Girls Grammar School

Sunday 1 October ANU Choral Society concert @ St Philip's