

The BEST Men's Breakfast

The next BEST Men's Breakfast (Bacon, egg, sausage, tomato) will be held on Saturday 25th May at 7:30am until 9:00am at the Lamerton Centre. Coffee/tea and toast provided. Cost \$10. The guest speaker will be Acting Justice Mr Richard Refshauge.

Intercessions

Members of the congregation are encouraged to consider leading intercessions at either the 8am and 10am Sunday service. It doesn't have to be regular. A starting outline can be provided. Please contact Rev Emma if you are interested in this opportunity to contribute to our parish worship.

Security Notice

If you are last to leave the church precinct, please ensure all church buildings and toilets are locked.

This week @ St Philip's

Mon 6-7pm ☺	Pray for the Parish and Clergy Appointment Board
Tue 10am	Men's Group
Thu 10am ☺	Mid-Week Eucharist followed by morning tea
Sat 7:30-9am	The BEST Men's Breakfast

Next Sunday

26 May	4th Sunday of Month
Liturgical Season	Trinity Sunday
Flowers	Flower Team
Isaiah 6.1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8.12-17; John 3.1-17.	

	8am	10am
Celebrant	TBC	TBC
Preacher if not Celebrant		
Liturgical Assistant	Elise P	Rev'd Robin
Sidespeople/Welcomers	Shane & Tim	Sally A & Kim T
AV Operator		
Musicians		Colin F
Readers 1 st , 2 nd	Shane W	Sarah B, Colin D
Morning Tea		Helen P
https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/rosters/		

Calendar

Tue	4 June	10am	Men's Group
https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/calendar.php			



19 May 2024

Pentecost

Today: 8am Eucharist, 9am breakfast, 10am Eucharist with singing, 11am morning tea

Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted you are here, especially visitors on the web!

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.

Pewsheets. This pewsheets is available on our website. The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition.

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.

Offertory. St Philip's provides three ways for you to contribute. During the service we collect offerings from the congregation at the offertory time and place them on the altar. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer. If you would like to make a direct transfer or support us through regular weekly transfers, St Philip's account is: 702-389 05202512. If you wish to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically, giving cards are available in the foyer.

Today's Readings & Roster

Acts 2.1-21; Psalm 104.26-36; Romans 8.22-27; John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15	
8am	Celebrant Rev'd Emma, Sidespeople/Welcomers Shaun S, Readers Rebecca P
10am	Celebrant Rev'd Emma, Sanctuary team Rev'd Colin, Sidespeople/Welcomers Jeannette M, Laura W, Intersessions Rev'd Colin, Readers Liz D and Ashton R, Music Colin F, Morning Tea Liz D

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Please send notices and prayer points by **Thursday 6pm** to pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

The editors may need to edit contributions to fit.

From the Locum Rector

Dear Friends,

This Feast of the Ascension and the Feast of Pentecost are connected - a Godly breath in and out. The breath of God, breathed into His Church - and thus into each one of us – drawing us into Christ's mission and sending us out into the world.

As a community waiting and watching for Christ's second coming, it seems easy to identify with the disciples waiting and wondering in that upper room on the eve of Pentecost. The benefit of Pentecost Sunday for us today, is that just like that original day, it snaps us out of the stillness and introspection of waiting and reminds us that we are also supposed to be moving and doing. We are the God's breath going out, bearing witness to his love.

At Pentecost we often focus on the language. The language of love takes many forms. As St Francis is said to say 'preach the Gospel often, and if necessary use words'. Our actions of humility, charity, honesty, patience, forgiveness may speak to others around us in a way that bears witness to God's love. To be heard - a witness needs only to have something in common with their hearer, and it must be something transcendently important to both. In the ordinary places that we find ourselves – family, workplaces, hobbies, social experiences, illness and grief - in the language of those places we can speak in a way that builds trust and opens the door to speak of faith.

I had the great privilege to know a faithful member of the church who died of cancer. A young woman attending the funeral was asked how they had known each other. She said they had met in the hospital when both were having chemotherapy. This young woman had been so struck by the hope and generosity and sure faith of a Godly woman in the face of death - a death they mutually understood and in which they shared a common language - it had given her great comfort and hope, and drew her into the church.

This is why your locum tends to both those who come into St Philip's – in towards the disciples, and also goes out as a chaplain – towards the people, carrying that breath out into the world as the Gospel demands. I pray for some patience as I am juggle the demands of both in coming weeks.

The Word lives in us, let us bear the fruit of his glory,

Revd. Emma

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ann & John, David R, David F, Wendy & Nathan, John, Fran, Timothy, Richard, and those unable to gather with us, those in hospital or care. We commend to God the recently departed, those whose year's mind falls at this time: Fred Harry Langman (19/05/2019), the victims of war, terrorism, disease and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us and those remembered only by God.

News & Notices

Rev Emma's Availability

Emma can be contacted any time and is happy to meet Wed (every 2nd), Thu, Fri and Sunday. Meetings and home communion can be arranged for these days. Monday–Tuesday access to phone/email is limited. Saturday is a family day. Non-urgent messages will be followed up as able.

Rector's leave

As locum, Rev Emma is balancing her time between parish and chaplaincy roles. She will be away for chaplaincy duties 20 May–7 June. Rev'd Howard will preach and preside on Thursday 30 May and Rev'd Jeanette on Thursday 6 June. Plans are still progressing to ensure services on Thursday 23 May and Sunday 2 June are in hand.

Rector appointment process

Thank you for your prayers as we continue the process of seeking a new rector for the Parish. The CAB has been formed and a very positive meeting was held on Friday. If you have any queries, in the first instance, please contact our CAB members Alison, Chris and Sarah. For further information, please contact Rev Andrew Taylor red@gungahlinanglican.org.au.

Rosters

Please see the narthex noticeboard for the most current version. Updated versions are printed whenever the sheet is updated, but there may be some delay with a new version being uploaded to the website, and it will only be emailed monthly.

If you are unable to meet a commitment, please arrange a swap or replacement and email rector@stphilipsoconor.org.au of the change or if you can't find a replacement. If you are not on the roster and would like to volunteer as a reader, sidesperson, welcomer, audio-visual operator, on flower team, on morning tea or another role on the Roster please contact the Locum Rector.

Reading Roster

For feast days and other seasons, the lectionary offers multiple options which are not posted on our website. Readings can change as the liturgy and sermon are put together and this can be different information in the prior week pewsheets. The most up to date information will be on the website.

St John's Care

Goods in short supply are: UFT Full Cream 1L milk, jam/honey/vegemite, cereal, tinned fruit, cooking oil, canned tuna, school snacks, 1kg rice, tinned chunky soups, pasta sauce, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, washing powder, dishwashing liquid. Please leave your donations in the baskets on the back pew.

Common Grace Conference: Let Justice Flow. 16–18 Nov 2024

Early Bird Tickets now available <https://let-justice-flow-conference.raiselysite.com/>

This conference is being held on Ngunnawal & Ngambri Country, Canberra. It will be a unique opportunity to gather together to deeply listen to the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Christian leaders, build relationships, and take action to call and advocate to see justice flow across Australia and beyond. If you enjoyed the ABM Lenten study, these speakers will interest you: Dr Aunty Jean Phillips, Rev Canon Aunty Di Langham, Naomi Wolfe, Adam Gowen, Dr Byron Smith and Dr Mick Pope.