

Synod report

A report from our Synod representatives will be included in next week's pewsheet.

Reflection

Though justice be thy plea, consider this,
That, in the course of justice, none of us
Should see salvation: we do pray for mercy;
And that same prayer doth teach us all to render
The deeds of mercy.

— W. Shakespeare. *The Merchant of Venice*, IV.i.198

St John's Care

Goods in short supply are: UHT full cream 1 litre milk, jam/honey/vegemite, cereal, tinned fruit, cooking oil, canned tuna, school snacks, 1kg rice, tinned chunky soups, pasta sauce, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, deodorant, toilet paper, washing powder, dishwashing liquid. Please leave donations in the baskets on the back pew.

Today's Roster—15th September (3rd Sunday of the Month)

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Rob Miners.

8am: Welcoming/Offertory: *vacant*; LA/Prayers: Brian M; Bible readers: Julianne S & Rebecca P.

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Jeannette M & Sally A; LA/Prayers: Rebecca K; Bible readers: Fred A & Jos G; AV: *vacant*; Musician: Colin F; Morning Tea: Liz D.

This week @ St Philip's

Tue 10am	17 Sep	Men's Group
Thu 10am	19 Sep	Mid-Week Eucharist followed by morning tea
Sat 11am	21 Sep	Eucharist at Canberra Aged Care
Sat 10am-1pm	21 Sep	Pandora's pre-loved clothing shop is open

Next Sunday—22nd September

18th Sunday after Pentecost, 4th Sunday of Month.

Prov. 31.10-31; Ps. 1; Jas. 3.1-12; Mk. 9.30-37

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Rob Miners.

8am: Welcoming/Offertory: Shane & Tim W; LA/Prayers: Julianne S; Readers: Shane & Tim W;

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Brian M & volunteer; Readers: Liz D & Brian M; Deacon/Prayers: Revd Robin; Musician: Colin F; Morning Tea: Manjuni G.

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St Philip's
Come & See

15 September 2024

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted that you are here!

Proverbs 1.20-33; Psalm 19; James 2.18-26; Mark 8.27-38

Hymns, 10am: 449, 406, 464, 646



Giovanni Battista Salvi (Italy, 1609-1685). *The Virgin in Prayer*.
National Gallery, London.

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

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

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ann, John & Clare, Barbara, Beryl, David, John G, The Revd Lyn, Sandra, Timothy, Wendy & Nathan. We give thanks for Shane's recovery and being able to walk. We pray for those unable to gather with us and those in hospital or care. We commend to God the recently departed and remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time—Arthur Banjo Carter (18/09 2017)—the victims of war, terrorism, disease and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those remembered only by God.

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. Please place your gift in the offering bag or use the Eftpos machine in the foyer. St Philip's account for regular giving is: 702-389 05202512. For those who give electronically, giving cards are available to put in the bag offered at the altar.

From the locum Rector

WHOSE 'WILL BE DONE'?

When I watched the telecast of the late Queen's funeral in September 2022, I was struck by that great assembly of different nationalities and religious persuasions saying together our Lord's prayer. The 2,000 prayed 'Your Kingdom come, your will be done'.

Most often the gathered church's prayer is focused on seeking God's blessing for whatever it happens to be doing at the time. Of course, we seek and need God's help and guidance in trouble. We also need to seek His will in the church, not our own convenient version of it.

Isaiah 55 8-9 tells us:

'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways,' says the Lord. 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.'

When we pray as the church gathered, may we sincerely open ourselves to pray with Jesus:

- 'Your Kingdom come', (which means in my heart and in all that we do in our parish church).
- 'Your will be done' (which means in my life, and in the life and activities of our parish church).

Can we put aside our 'wants', our egos, our thoughts about what 'should' happen? I suspect this could be very unsettling both for us as individuals and as a parish community.

—Rob Miners

Sunday Preaching Calendar

Revd Rob Miners

18th Sunday after Pentecost, 22 September— *Prayer — Part 2*—Proverbs 31.10-31; Ps. 1; James 3.1-12; Mark 9.30-37.

Michael and All Angels, 29 September—*On Angels*—Ezekiel 1.4-12; Ps.138; Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1.45-51.

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, 6 October—*Divorce*—Job 1.1; or 2.1-10; and Psalm 26; Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost, 13 October—*The Rich Young Man*—Job 23.1-9; Ps. 22.1-15; Heb. 412-16; Mark 10.17-33

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, 20 October—*A Grief Observed*—Job 38.1-7 (34-41); Psalm 104.1-10, 26; Hebrews 5.1-10; Mark 10.35-45

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost, 27 October—*The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus. What do you want Christ to do for you?* Job 42.1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34.1-8 (19-22); Hebrews 7.21-28; Mark 10.46-52.

News & Notices

Pandora's Champagne Spring Launch

Saturday 21 September, 10am–1pm

Come and find some fabulous Spring clothes, or simply join us for a drink, some nibbles and a chat.

Key points from September Parish Council

- We will have a combined service on the fifth Sunday of September, the feast of Michael and All Angels, 29 Sep 24 at **9am**. This will be an occasion for celebration, thanksgiving for the previous few months, and prayer for the work of the parish in the near future.
- Name badges have been prepared and should be available soon.
- Council accepted a detailed quotation for refurbishment of the rectory (especially the main bedroom, ensuite, kitchen, and floor coverings, as well as a new stove) in preparation for Revd Christine's arrival.
- Rebecca Palethorpe's brother has kindly donated a bench seat to be installed on the North edge of the area of artificial lawn, facing the church.
- We have decided on a complete re-draft of the rental agreement with the kindergarten prior to its renewal, due at the end of the year.
- We hope to have an Advent Dinner on Saturday evening, 30 November. details to be discussed at next Parish Council meeting. Do you have any ideas?
- Council decided to prepare an all-embracing maintenance plan to keep under review work needing to be done and to assist with budgeting.