

Banned from preaching in their home church, John and Charles went to the fields and hills. With John's preaching and the wonderful hymns of Charles, they witnessed the power of the Holy Spirit falling among hundreds of ordinary working-class people of Great Britain and Ireland. (They had 120,000 followers by the time of John's death).

Is our need for Christian revival any less in this sophisticated, scientific world we arrogantly espouse today?

— Revd Rob Miners

Today's Roster—12 January (2nd Sunday of the Month)

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Rob Miners.

8am: Welcoming/Offertory: Margaret & Russell M; LA/Prayers: Brian M; Readers: Russell & Margaret M.

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Helen & Hardy P; AV: Liz D; Readers: Kerry-Anne C / Laura W; Deacon: Revd Robin; Musician: Robyn H.; Morning Tea: Helen P.

This week @ St Philip's

Thu	7pm	16 Jan	Induction of the Revd Christine Cargill
Sat	11am	18 Jan	Eucharist at Canberra Aged Care
Sat	10am-1pm	18 Jan	Pandora's pre-loved clothing shop is open

Next Sunday—19 January

<https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/rosters>

Third Sunday after Epiphany. 3rd Sunday of the Month.

Isa. 62.1-5; Ps 36.5-10; 1 Cor. 12.1-11; John 2.1-11

Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Christine Cargill.

8am: Welcoming/Offertory: vacant; LA/Prayers: Russell M; Readers: Rebecca P / Julianne S.

10am: Welcoming/Offertory: Revd Jeannette & Laura W; AV: vacant; Readers: Jeanette D-T / Fred A; LA/Prayers: Rebecca K; Musician: Robyn H; Morning Tea: Ashton R / Liz D.

Calendar <https://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/news/calendar.php>

Thu	10am	23 Jan	Regular mid-week Eucharist resumes
Sun		2 Feb	AGM reports due
Tue	10am	4 Feb	Men's Group reconvenes
Sun		9 Feb	AGM reports circulated to parishioners
Sun	11.15am	23 Feb	Parish AGM & elections



12 January 2024

The Baptism of Our Lord

Welcome to St Philip's

We are delighted that you are here!

Isaiah 43.1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-22.

Hymns 10am: 432; "Let us build a House"; "It is well with my Soul"; 161.



Revd Rob contemplates the conclusion of his ministry at St Philip's.

Artist Jane Crowther.

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.

St Philip's Anglican Church O'Connor

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Revd Rob Miners

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Locum Rector (part-time)

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ann, John & Clare, Barbara, Beryl, David, John G, Katherine, Margaret, Sandra, Timothy, Ursula, Wendy & Nathan. We pray for those unable to gather with us and those in hospital or other care. We commend to God the recently departed and remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time—Peter Hall (14/1/1980), Ann Brown (15/1/2022); Nola Chew (15/1/2022); Claude Woodbridge (16/1/2022). We remember, too, the victims of war, terrorism, disease and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those remembered only by God.

Induction of Revd Christine Cargill, Thursday, 7pm

We will share a long-awaited special evening of celebration and thanksgiving as our new Rector, Revd Christine, is welcomed, receives her licence, and takes up her role!

Ever living God, we praise you for the church in this place. In your great love, continue to bless it. Strengthen and sustain your servant Christine that, with patience and understanding, she may love and care for your people. Grant that together we may follow our Lord Jesus Christ, offering to you all our gifts and talents; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We have asked those coming to the service to please RSVP to induction@stphilipsoconnor.org.au. But, of course, if you decide at the last minute to attend, you are most welcome.

Supper Suppliers needed!

If you could please contribute supper items, either sweet or savoury, for the induction service of Revd Christine next Thursday, that would be greatly appreciated. Please place your name and the type of food you will be bringing on the form near the pew sheets at the back of the church.

Farewell to Revd Rob

Today Revd Rob will preside and preach at St Philip's for the final time as locum Rector. We are deeply grateful to Rob and Sylvia for their kindness, compassion, practical help, and wisdom. We will pray for them at the 8am and 10am services and a small farewell gift will be presented at 8am.

Rob and Sylvia: we thank you; you are always welcome at St Philip's!

Today's hymns

Thank you to Robyn H. for stepping forward to play during Colin's leave. Today's first hymn "Christ is made the sure foundation" (no. 432) has been requested by Revd Rob, who also asked for the third hymn, "It is well with my Soul", which we sang a couple of months ago. "Let us Build a House" has been chosen by Revd Christine for the induction service and we sang it on 17 November. As the induction is next week, let's do our best to give it another rehearsal. As we finish rejoicing with "Tell out my Soul." (no. 161).

Notices and Events

Men's Group is in recess in January and reconvenes on Tuesday 4 Feb 25. **Pandora's** reopens on Saturday 11 January.

Regular mid-week Eucharist resumes on Thu 23rd at 10am.

AGM reports should be emailed to

comeandsee@stphilipsoconnor.org.au, by 2 February, please.

Reflection

History worth repeating: "Come Holy Spirit"

Anglican clergy, John and Charles Wesley, founders of the revivalist "Methodist Movement" within the Anglican church, remained Anglicans all their lives. Charles strenuously opposed any split, believing that Anglicanism "with all her blemishes is nearer the Scriptural plans than any other in Europe." (The Methodist church became a separate denomination after the deaths of John and Charles.)

The Holy Spirit spark that set the world ablaze came to John in a little gathering at Aldersgate Street as he listened to the reading of Luther's preface to Romans.

The words of Charles in the hymn "And can it be" (TIS 209) best describes that experience (Charles wrote 6,500 hymns, many we use and still cherish today):

*Long my imprisoned spirit lay, Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray:
I woke; the dungeon flamed with light.
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.*