

# Welcome to St Philip's

The Anglican Church of St Philip's O'Connor, Canberra, ACT, Australia  
We are delighted you are here (especially visitors on the web!)

Visitors are welcome to receive Holy Communion

*At 10.00am Communion bread is administered first, then the small cup for intinction (dipping). The two common cups for sipping follow.*

Services on Sunday: 8am and 10am Eucharist, Wednesday HC 10am

## **Sunday 9th July 2006** **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**8am Eucharist**

**10am Eucharist**

*The service begins on page 119 of the Green Prayer book*

Readings:

- 2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10
- Psalm 48
- 2Corinthians 12: 2-10
- Mark 6: 1-13

**Organist/Pianist:** Colin Forbes

**Hymns (Together in Song):** 133, 636, 585, 569

(Kyrie sung to 760)

**Cantor/Soloist at 10am:** Denise Manley

*Food for food parcels may be placed in the basket! With thanks!*

Dear Everyone,

On Thursday evening Richard Wade, Rebecca Palethorpe and I attended a presentation on Asset Building in Congregations and with children and youth. It was a very interesting presentation and gave us an opportunity to reflect on what we are doing at St. Philips and how we can improve. Asset building is about identifying and nurturing the qualities in people that enable them to become health, caring and responsible. There is not space here to go into what the 'asset' are. In fact it took us all a while to get the hang of what it was all about so I am no expert! Just to give you an idea they are things like empowerment, creative activities, honesty and self esteem. During the evening a couple of things really stood out for me.

One was the critical importance of supporting and nurturing our young people and how the church has a significant role to play in that task. The church is one of the few institutions in our society where children can meet a diversity of people. It was one of the few places where they get to mix with the very old. This intergenerational aspect is important for their development and I strongly suspect important for the well being of older folks. There is nothing so delightful as the wisdom and candour of the young. Nothing so fresh and warming as the hope of our children. Children are a blessing and an asset to the whole community

Another aspect was the importance of being intentional about how we engage with and nurture young people. Being intentional makes us focus our energy more constructively. It enables us to keep our mind on the main game when it gets chaotic, confusing or difficult. Perhaps the most important thing that was reinforced for me was the notion that whatever we do with and for our children it is all based on relationships that are safe, affirming and loving. Having a great Sunday School program or creating a worship space that involves young people is almost useless unless they take place in loving relationships. I think we do this at St. Philips very well. It is a loving, caring community and my great hope is that this quality will always be a driving force among us. Children were of course especially loved by Jesus. He welcomed them and allowed them to

'bother' him.

On another but related issue I am in the process of making sure all our child protection requirements are up to date. Would anyone that works with children at St. Philip's please see me as soon as possible! This is an extremely important issue and we need to be confident we have addressed all aspects. Have a great week everyone

Peace and Blessings

Rebecca Newland

**Weekly Offering/Income needed to operate our Parish \$1455 per week**

(excluding rental income)

Offerings received 2nd July 2006: \$1560.40 + EFT \$400 = \$1960.40

Also received: Church use \$65 & Trading table \$13

## Notices

**Twilight Fair 3pm - 7pm 11 November 2006**  
**125 days to go! Please see the notice board for current details.**

### **St. Philip's Parish Day**

This year's parish day is to be held at Chris and Roger's property at Burra. The date is Saturday the 29th of July, 9.30am to 4pm. There will be one structured session and the rest of the day will be devoted to enjoying the peace and quiet, the surrounding bushland, the view and great company. If there are enough children there will be some children's activities. If you are intending to come could you please let Rebecca know.

### **Child Protection Workshop**

St John's Reid, Tuesday the 18th and Tuesday the 25th of July, 6:30 to 9:30 pm each night. If you still need to do the Diocesan mandatory child protection workshop please consider putting the above workshop in your diary. The parish will cover the cost of the workshop and if you need a baby sitter please contact Rebecca to arrange some help.

### **Gospel Service**

After the success of the last Gospel service that incorporated black American Gospel music, the liturgy team has decided to hold a similar service once a term.

The next one is to be held on the 20th of August. The theme is "Christ brings light." Invite all your friends! Tell your workmates! The music is wonderful and the energy fantastic.

### **Reading Reflections**

On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12.00pm a time has been

set aside for a look at the day's readings. It is a time to reflect more deeply on the readings, to share with friends and to build faith and community.

## Ministry teams at St Philip's

### Team

Pastoral  
Maintenance  
Youth and Children  
Liturgy  
Social

### Co-ordinator

Denise Manley  
Roger Sharpe  
Richard Wade  
Rebecca Newland  
Ann Munro



### WE PRAY FOR:

**The World:** For peace and stability in Palestine and Israel, Iraq, Afghanistan, the Solomon Islands, East Timor and Nepal, and for justice in Myanmar. For all refugees. For unity between all Christians and Christian churches.

**In Australia:** For wisdom for Australian authorities dealing with Asylum Seekers. (See the [Refugee Action Committee](#) web site) For Aboriginal communities and for reconciliation.

**Northbourne Community Centre:** For Robin and her helpers, and those who attend the centre.

**Those in need of healing:** Michael Cockayne, Roy Ayrton, Tony Kildea, Beryl Collins (Denise's mother), Corey Jansen, June Axelsen, Jill Scott, Yoko and Jutaro Murase, Val Reeves, Ian Wright, Guy Lucas, Linda Kennedy, Ruth Horn, Sarona, Merv McInnes, Mira Barratt, Zana, Michael Ellis.

**Those Mourning:** David Oliphant

**The Saints:** Benedict of Nursia, abbot (d. 550) and Sydney James Kirkby, bishop, pioneer of outback ministry and the Bush Church Aid Society. (d 1935)

On the web: [Anglican Cycle of Prayer](#) and the [Diocesan Cycle of](#)

THIS WEEK

- **Monday to Wednesday** 8.30am Morning Prayer, 5pm Evening Prayer
- **Tuesday** 10.30am Kankinya Holy Communion  
5:30 - 6:30pm: Christian Meditation
- **Wednesday** 10am Holy Communion
- **Friday** Rebecca's Day Off
- **Friday** 10am - 1pm Pandora's Open
- **Saturday** 10am-1pm Pandora's Open

**SUNDAY 16th July 2006**  
**8.00am & 10.00am Eucharist**

Readings:

- 2 Samuel 6: 1-5, 12b-19
- Psalm 24
- Ephesians 1: 1-14
- Mark 6: 14-29

**Rosters:**

Cleaning: Shane & Tim Woodburn

Flowers: Val Reeves

Readers:

8am: Vanessa Tatham

10am: 1st Brian McKinlay, 2nd Richard Wade

Sidespersons:

8am:

10am: Grace Barnes & Peter Andersson

Morning Tea

10am James Kim & Roger Sharp

Children's Ministry

10am

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