

THIS WEEK @ ST PHILIP'S

Today's readings:

Acts 2.14a, 22-32; Psalm 114; 1 Peter 1.1-12; John 20.19-31

Today's roster:

8am: Sidesman: Tim Woodburn; Reader: Shane Woodburn

10am: Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe; Sidespeople: Louise & Matthew McKay; Liturgical Assistant: Robin Shannon; Musician: Colin Forbes; Readers: Louise McKay / Brian McKinlay; Communion Servers: Linda Anchell / Hardy Palethorpe; Morning Tea: Helen Palethorpe.

Today 27th 8am **Eucharist**
10am **Eucharist**
1pm Dinka service

Monday 28th St Philip's Care @ Northbourne
Community Centre – including lunch
10am – 12pm St Pip's Playtime

Tuesday 29th

Wednesday 10am **Eucharist**

Friday 10am–1pm Pandora's @ O'Connor
5-7pm St Philip's Happy Hour (moved from 25th April)
7.00pm St Pip's Youth Group

Saturday 10am–1pm Pandora's @ O'Connor

Next Sunday 8am **Eucharist**

10am **Eucharist**

1pm Dinka Service

Next Sunday's readings

Acts 2:14a,36-41; Psalm 116.1-4, 11-18; 1 Peter 1.13-25; Luke 24.13-25

Next Sunday's roster:

Flowers: Ethel McInnes **8am:** Sidesman: John Girdlestone; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Reader: John Girdlestone. **10am:** Welcomer: Denise Manley; Sidespeople: Roger Sharp / Sally Adams; Liturgical Assistant: Andrea de Vaal Horciu; Musician: Colin Forbes; Readers: children; Communion Servers: Tim Gowty / Denise Manley; Morning Tea: Rebecca & Stephen Palethorpe & Family.

CALENDAR

Sun 11th May	12 noon	Leadership Meeting, English & Dinka
Wed 14th May	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Sun 26th May	after 10am service	Liturgy Team
Wed 29th May	7.30pm	Eucharist to celebrate The Ascension
Fri 30th May	5-7pm	St Philip's Friday Happy Hour
Sun 8th June		Pentecost

(For the complete calendar please go to the parish website)



St Philip's Come & See

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Sunday 27th of April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

10am Hymns: **392, 649, 393, 245**

*Blessed be the God and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living
hope through the resurrection of the dead. (1 Peter 1.3)*



Prayer

*Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe
and the hope of those who doubt:
may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the
fullness of Christ's blessing;
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever. Amen.*

*Notices & Prayer requests for the pewsheet, while Rebecca is away:
please submit them by Thursday 12pm to brian@nottoomuch.com*

Psalm 114

1. When Israel came out of Egypt:
and the house of Jacob from among a people of an alien tongue,
2. Judah became his sanctuary:
and Israel his dominion.
3. The sea saw that, and fled:
Jordan was driven back.
4. The mountains skipped like rams:
and the little hills like young sheep.
5. What ailed you, O sea, that you fled:
O Jordan, that you were driven back?
6. You mountains, that you skipped like rams:
and you little hills like young sheep?
7. Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord:
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
8. Who turned the rock into a pool of water:
and the flint-stone into a welling spring.

From the Editor

Thank you to all who helped in numerous ways with Holy Week and Easter celebrations, in our worship of God, and with food for body, soul and spirit.

Today, and for the next two Sundays, we welcome again the Revd Canon Dr Scott Cowdell to lead our Sunday 8am and 10am services. The Wednesday services will be led by the Revd Jeannette McHugh. Thank you both! We pray for Rebecca and David as they enjoy their leave.

If you need the help of a priest or other pastoral care while Rebecca is away, call the Parish Office on 6161 7334 for a message that will tell you whom to contact and their number.

Next Thursday is the feast of St Philip and St James. This year, however, we will celebrate St Philip's Day on Sunday 21st September, following the dedication of the Lamerton Centre the previous day.

Easter is not just one day, but a fifty-day season of celebration of the risen Christ! (Today is the second Sunday of Easter.)

Easter life is everlasting life. Jürgen Moltmann wrote in *The Coming of God*:

"In the feast of eternal joy all created beings and the whole community of God's creation are destined to sing their hymns and songs of praise. ... Creation ... is like a great song or a splendid poem or a wonderful dance of God's fantasy, for the communication of God's divine abundance.

The laughter of the universe is God's delight. It is the universal Easter laughter."

Can we catch the joy of the Easter laughter?

Paschal Candle

Step up to the Sanctuary and take a closer look at the Paschal Candle, beautifully decorated by Linda and Andrea. 'Paschal' comes from a Hebrew word meaning Passover. The candle was lit at the first service of Easter, and remains in the sanctuary during Easter as a sign of the risen Christ present with us. It is lit at baptisms throughout the year and often at funerals, signifying new life in Christ.

The Candle is decorated with symbols of Christ and five nails to remind us of Jesus' crucifixion wounds. The grass at the foot of our candle, with birds flying out from it, speaks of "greening the cross"; the cross of Good Friday greening with the Resurrection.

St Philip's Administrative Assistant

We invite expressions of interest for the position of
Administrative Assistant at St Philip's – paid part-time.

This is a job with flexibility and good conditions.

Pay and hours are to be discussed.

The Administrative Assistant will work closely with the Rector to ensure the smooth running of the parish and our programs.

For further information, please contact one of the church wardens:

Ian Cousins: 6347 4928 eyesea@optusnet.com.au or

Rebecca Palethorpe: 6253 3456 palethorpe1@gmail.com

Events—more details on the noticeboard and website

James Alison — Public Lecture — "Monotheism and Idolatry"

Aust. Centre for Christianity & Culture, 7.30-9pm, Thu 15 May — \$10.

RSVP (Mon. 12 May) to Katherine Collins (kcollins@csu.edu.au, or 6272 6203).

Fr James Alison, priest, theologian and writer, shares a vision of inclusive, healthy Christian life. He explores the nature of desire and envy, how in-groups form at the expense of the excluded, and how this entraps us all.

Diocesan Centre for Lay Ministry and Mission

Day Conference on Missional Paradigms

Hosted by Bishop Stuart, with speakers Paul Griffiths and Martin Robinson

St Saviour's Cathedral Goulburn, 9.30am-4.30pm, Wed. 7 May 2014.

Prayer this week

Those in need: Tony Gulliver, Revd Anne Ranse, Michael Sawer, Bill Viney, Meg Colwell, Margaret Wicks.

In remembrance: Mark, Evangelist and Martyr. Philip and James, Apostles and Martyrs. Catherine of Sienna. Athanasius of Alexandria.

All who have given their lives or been harmed in war, and their families.

From the ABM cycle of prayer: Please pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya, in its mission to equip God's people to reach out and transform society with the gospel of Christ and to live out their faith in daily life.