

This coming week @ St Philip's

Tue	1.30pm	Sir Leslie Morshead Manor
Tue – Fri	8am	Morning Prayer
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	10am	Eucharist and Morning Tea
Friday	10am – 1pm	Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
Saturday	10am – 1pm	Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
	10.30am	Eucharist @ Kankinya

Prayer Points

Confirmees: Jack Adams; Kenzo Boyle; Dominic Lloyd; Joseph Lloyd; Jarrah Palethorpe; Noah Palethorpe; Ava Rath.

For those in need: Pat Forbes; Colin Forbes; Fred Langman; Roger Sharp; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret & Claude Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.

Those we remember: Mary Reid (6/8/94); Toby Grahame (6/8/12); Michael Sawyer (8/8/14); Thelma Morton (15/8/93); Donald Brown (17/8/88).

Next Sunday – Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Readings: Proverbs 9.1-6; Psalm 34.9-14; Ephesians 5.11-21; John 6.51-58

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am:	Presiding:	Rev'd Martin Johnson
	Preaching:	Rev'd Canon Scott Cowdell
	Sidesperson:	Volunteer
	Liturgical Assistant:	Elizabeth Allinson
	Readers:	Volunteer
10am:	Presiding & Preaching:	Rev'd Canon Scott Cowdell
	Welcomer:	Erika Langman
	Sidespeople:	Kerry-Anne Cousins & Peter Andersson
	Music:	Colin Forbes
	Liturgical Assistant:	Elizabeth Allinson
	Readers:	Kerry-Anne Cousins (1st) Linda Anchell (2nd)
	Chalice Servers:	Tim Gulliver & Doreen Odom
	Special Morning tea:	Anne Mahony & Jan Gulliver

Pewsheets deadline: Thursday 12noon. Please forward notices and prayer points to pewsheets@stphilipsoconnor.org.au or 0414 309 469

EFTPOS available in the foyer to assist with your giving.



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Sunday 12 August 2018

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 474, 437, 413, 658 & 545

Sentence

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us.

Ephesians 5.1-2

Prayer of the day

Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread that you have given us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

1 Kings 19.4-8; Psalm 34.1-8; Ephesians 4.25-5.2; John 6.35, 41-51.

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team.

8am Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Vicki Luker; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Bible Reader: Volunteer.

10am Preaching & Presiding: Rt Rev'd Professor Stephen Pickard; MC: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Assisting: Rev'd Canon Scott Cowdell; Welcomer: Davidson Family; Sidespeople: Alison & Alistair Davidson; Deacons: Rev'd Linda Anchell & Rev'd Robin Moore; Crucifer: Zara Mann; Acolytes: Sarah Gowty & Leighton Mann; Music: Colin Forbes & Elise Palethorpe; Bible Readers: Fred Anchell (1st), Fiona Dyer (2nd); Morning Tea: Beryl Blaseotto & Doreen Odom.

Psalm 34.1-8

- 1 I will bless the Lord continually:
his praise shall be always in my mouth.
- 2 Let my soul boast of the Lord:
the humble shall hear it and rejoice.
- 3 O praise the Lord with me:
let us exalt his name together.
- 4 For I sought the Lord's help and he answered:
and he freed me from all my fears.
- 5 Look towards him and be bright with joy:
your faces shall not be ashamed.
- 6 Here is a wretch who cried, and the Lord heard me:
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him:
and delivers them in their need.
- 8 O taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy are they that hide in him!

From the Rector

Dear Friends

We welcome Bishop Stephen Pickard to St Philip's today. He is here to preside and preach at the Parish Eucharist and Confirmation. Nine young men and women are being presented, having been preparing for this milestone in their lives of faith. We rejoice in this great day for these young people and our parish. They are the future of our Church and so we commend them to God with thanksgiving.

Perhaps, like me, you were fascinated by the bits at the end of the Prayer Book in days gone by. The Table of Kindred and Affinity intrigued me enormously! Also of course there was the Catechism which as the Prayer Book (1662) states is 'An instruction to be learned of every person before he (sic) be brought to be confirmed by the Bishop.' There are some instructions too at the end of the Catechism: *The Curate of every Parish shall diligently upon Sundays and Holy-days, after the second Lesson at Evening Prayer, openly in the Church instruct and examine so many Children of his Parish sent unto him, as he shall think convenient, in some Part of this Catechism.*

The catechism has certainly fallen out of use but our candidates, following those instructions, looked at it as together we considered the idea of sacrament. One of our candidates asked, with significant insight, if a sacrament was a metaphor. The answer is yes, but they are so much more.

Today we continue in our journey through chapter 6 of John's gospel which opens with the feeding of the 5000, the rest of the chapter is really a commentary on this great miracle. The message is that the Bread of life which Jesus offers is filled with both challenge and promise, this is where sacrament and metaphor are different. Sacraments are not merely metaphors or signs; the crowds chased after Jesus following the feeding because although they saw the signs they misunderstood both the challenge and the promise they pointed to. The promise we heard in today's reading 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The challenge is something which I hope our confirmation candidates (along with the

rest of us) will become increasingly aware of. Sacraments are means of revelation, and as one writer put it: *Much more significant than the gift of bread is the revelation that it will disclose to those prepared to go out on a bold journey of faith beyond their own needs and expectations.* I hope that our candidates today have a sense, albeit partial, of the promise and the challenge of the faith into which they are being confirmed.

The Diocesan Clergy Retreat is being held this week at St Clements, Galong. We are being led by Allan Ewing the former Bishop of Bunbury and priest of this Diocese. I will be back in the parish on Thursday lunchtime. Thank you for this opportunity for some spiritual refreshment.

Thank you too to all those who have helped in the preparation of our candidates. It is a wonderful day for the Parish, thank you Bishop Stephen for celebrating with us.

Blessings, **Martin**

St Philip's Calendar

<http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php>

Today	12 Aug	Collection for our National Mission Project
Today	12 Aug – 10am	Confirmation Service & Sunday Zone @ St Philip's (Family Service) followed by special morning tea.
Sunday	19 Aug 11.15am	Spring Fling Meeting after 10am Service
Friday	24 Aug 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday	26 Aug 12.30 – 3pm	Home Group – Lamerton Centre All Welcome!
Friday	31 Aug – 5-7pm	Happy Hour – Lamerton Centre <i>Theme: Major Birthdays & Anniversaries!</i>
Wed'day	5 Sep 7pm	Parish Council – Lamerton Centre
Friday	7 Sep 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Friday	7 -9 Sep	Synod Meeting - Goulburn

Pandora is looking for good quality children's clothes as our stocks have run low. Don't forget too if you have any clothes that are not making you a star, perhaps they might do it for some-one else. All donations of good clothes gratefully received. Leave them at Pandoras Friday or Saturday morning or give them to a Pandora person on Sundays. The Pandora Committee.

The Anglican Church of St Paul's, Ginninderra at Mt Rogers Community Centre (old Spence Primary School) - Curley St entrance (where our Dinka friends now worship) is having a fund raising Bush Dance and Singalong on Saturday, 1 September at 7.30pm (with proceeds going to their various mission projects). Entry is by donation and a light supper is provided. Everyone is very welcome to join in. This should be a fun night for a good cause.