

This coming week @ St Philip's

Monday	St Philip's Care @ Northbourne Community Centre
Tue - Fri	8am Morning Prayer
	5.30pm Evening Prayer
Thursday	10am Eucharist and Morning Tea
	11am Lenten Study - Lamerton Centre
	7pm Lenten Study - Lamerton Centre
Friday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
Saturday	10am - 1pm Pandora's Pre-loved Fashions
	10.30am Eucharist @ Kankinya

Prayer Points

For those in need: Fred Langman, Roger Sharp; James Kim; Brian McKinlay; Ken Smith; Rosemary Lohmann; Chris Hudliss; Cath Holt; Grace Barnes; Roberta; Margaret Woodbridge; Barbara Dowley.

Those we remember: John Cousins (14/3/94); Mary MacDonnell (14/3/99); Jean Parke (17/3/97); Marj Wright (19/3/02); Noel Barratt (20/3/99); John Dimmick (22/3/71); Patrick Bannerman (23/3/94); Ethel McInnes 24/3/16); Betty Heaton (24/3/17).

Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Lent

Readings: Isaiah 50.1-9a; Psalm 31.9-18; Philippians 2.5-11; Mark 14.1-15.27

Presiding & Preaching: The Rev'd Martin Johnson

Palms

8am: Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn
Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson
Readers: Shane woodburn

10am:
Welcomer: Helen Palethorpe
Sidespeople: Louise & Matt McKay
Music: Colin Forbes
Liturgical Assistant: tba
Readers: Ann Munro (OT)
Rebecca Palethorpe (NT)
Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Hardy Palethorpe
Morning tea: Anne Mahony & Jan Gulliver



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Sunday 18 March 2018

Fifth Sunday in Lent

10am Music

Hymns: 242, 248 (t112), 331 7 256

**During Communion: "Auf ein altes Bild" - Hugo Wolf
Sung by Judith Swanson**

Sentence

'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.'
Jeremiah 31.33

Prayer of the day

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 31.31-34; Psalm 119.9-16; Hebrews 5.5-14; John 12.20-33

Today's Rosters

Flowers: None in Lent

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

10am Welcomer: Erika Langman; Sidespeople: Helen & Hardy Palethorpe; Preaching & Presiding: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Liturgical Assistant: Elizabeth Allinson; Music: Colin Forbes; Bible Readers: Louise McKay (OT), Volunteer (NT); Chalice Servers: Denise Manley & Volunteer; Morning Tea: Ann Munro & Denise Manley.

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.

Psalm 119.9-16

Response
of v. 13 Lead me, O Lord in the path of your com-mand-ments. Christopher Tumbling



Response: Lead me, O Lord in the path of your commandments.

- 9 How shall the young keep their path pure:
unless they hold to your word?
- 10 I have sought you with my whole heart:
let me not stray from your commandments. **Resp.**
- 11 I have treasured your words in my heart:
that I might not sin against you.
- 12 Blessed are you, Lord God:
O teach me your statutes. **Resp.**
- 13 With my lips I have been telling:
all the judgements of your mouth;
- 14 And I find more joy in the way of your commands:
than in all manner of riches. **Resp.**
- 15 I will meditate on your precepts:
and give heed to your ways;
- 16 For my delight is wholly in your statutes:
and I will not forget your word. **Resp.**

From the Rector

Dear Friends

Today in our gospel our very own Philip, our patron, is featured. We know little about him other than his name – a Greek name meaning ‘lover of horses,’ and what we do know comes almost exclusively from John’s gospel. We read about him at the opening of the gospel bringing folk to Jesus – ‘Come and See’ and at the feeding of the five thousand when Jesus asks him where they are to find bread to feed the multitude – hence the loaves and fishes on our Logo. He hears him questioning Jesus ‘show us the Father and we will be satisfied’ and today he speaks with the Greeks who want to meet with Jesus. A strange moment, we don’t know whether the Greeks ever got to see Jesus, but an important one. The Greeks represent the world that will be drawn to Jesus when he is ‘lifted up.’ Jesus’ hour has come and today we begin the last part of our Lenten journey as we approach Holy Week. Philip strikes me as an attractive character bringing people to Jesus, but unafraid to ask the difficult questions - a Philippian trait perhaps!

Bishop Trevor has signed off on the Covenant between me and the parish. If you are keen to see that document let me know and I can send you a copy. It will be reviewed again at the AGM. A plan is taking shape to guide us through the next three years. It will begin this year on 16 December, our Feast of Dedication, and involve Mission, Stewardship and Celebration culminating in our Dedication Festival in 2021, the 60th Anniversary of St Philip’s. We’ll be hearing lots more about these plans over the coming months.

It is proposed to offer a gift to The Rev’d Peter Kuot, the leader of the Dinka Community on the north side. Peter led that community here at St Philip’s for some time and was recently ordained to the Priesthood. It is hoped to buy Peter a green Chasuble and Stole. More information soon, we will receive donations gratefully!

Next Sunday Passion/Palm Sunday at the 10.00am Eucharist we will gather on the deck off the Lamerton Centre to hear the Palm gospel and for the blessing of palms before we process inside. We then look with anticipation to Holy Week and the great three days culminating on Easter morn.

Blessings, **Martin.**

KEY POINTS FROM MARCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- The new Council elected Ian Cousins as Chair, Shane Woodburn as Treasurer and Rebecca Palethorpe as Secretary. Points of contact responsibilities have been allocated amongst the new Council members and a revised note will be placed on the Noticeboard.
- There is an annual survey of the membership of parish sub-groups - the Liturgy Committee, the St. Philip’s Care Management Committee, Pandora’s Management Committee, Food@ St Philips and the Children and Youth Ministry Support Group. Parishioners wishing to serve, or to continue to serve, on any of these committees should make their interest known to Rev. Martin, a Warden or any other Parish Councillor.
- The Parish Council will also survey the valuable roles performed for the Parish by various individuals, such as Youth Group Coordinators, Parish Office, Newsletter/Pewsheets, Website, Parish Calendar, Banking, Rosters Coordinator, Linen, Flowers Coordinator and Spring Fling Coordinator. Parishioners wishing to serve, or to continue to serve, in any of these roles should make their interest known to Rev. Martin, a Warden or any other Parish Councillor.
- Key priorities for Rev. Martin and the Council this year, in addition to the normal running of the Parish and stewardship, will be: Rev. Robin’s Northbourne Community Centre ministry, the Aged Care ministry at Kankinya and Morsehead Village in Lynham, the Youth and Family ministry and pastoral care. On maintenance, the courtyard drains are a priority.
- Parish Council has renewed the arrangement with the Tongan Uniting Church congregation for the hire of church facilities every Sunday from 1pm to about 3pm. The Tongans have been model partners and have advised that they are interested in using the facilities for the long term.

St Philip's Calendar

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

Friday 23 Mar, 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday 25 Mar, 8 & 10am	Palm Sunday
Thursday 29 Mar, 7pm	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday 30 Mar, 9am	Children's Stations of the Cross
Friday 30 Mar, 12 – 3pm	Good Friday Service
Saturday 31 Mar, 7.30pm	Easter Vigil & Service of Light (with incense)
Sunday 1 Apr, 7am	Eucharist (with incense)
Sunday 1 Apr, 8 – 9.30am	Easter celebration breakfast
Sunday 1 Apr, 10am	Solemn Sung Eucharist
Friday 6 Apr, 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Saturday 14 Apr, 9am – 1pm	Autumn Market Morning <i>see flyer</i>
Friday 27 Apr 5 – 7pm	Happy Hour – <i>April Fools Theme</i>
Friday 4 May 7 – 8.30pm	St Philip's Youth Group
Sunday 6 May – 10am	St Philip's Day – Sunday Zone followed by Special Morning Tea. Please bring a plate of food to share.

There is a real need for more parishioners to read during the services, to be a Lay Reader at 10am, to be a sidesperson and to help with morning tea. If you feel you would be able to do one or more of these things, would you please speak with Martin?

St Philip's Easter Celebration Breakfast

Our tradition continues again this year with our Easter Celebration Breakfast. 8am till 9.30am (following 7am Eucharist & before 10am Eucharist). Please place your name against the items you are able to contribute to the breakfast (list in foyer). Please ensure all contributions are ready by 8am. See Denise or Leighton for further info.

Colin and Jeanette will be having an open house at their new home, 21 Cashman St., Denman Prospect on 7 April beginning at 2pm. All are welcome. We will open for business at 2pm and the stragglers will be hosed out at about 5pm. Martin has kindly agreed to bless the house at about 3pm. 0414 250 698, cdundon@iinet.net.au. **Colin Dundon**