

This coming week @ St Philip's

Tue	1.30pm	Eucharist @ 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 @ Canberra Aged Care

Prayer Points

For those in need: Linda & Fred Anchell; Peter Andersson; Pat & Colin Forbes;.

Those we remember: Jim McCaskie (16/7/00); Carola Parke (19/7/12); Dot Mayo (22/7/02); Merv McInnes (22/7/11); Michael Gamble (24/7/97); Portia Vincent (26/7/90).

Next Sunday – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Genesis 18.20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2.6-15;
Luke 11.1-13

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Sidesperson: Tim Woodburn
Liturgical Assistant: tba
Readers: Shane Woodburn (1st)
Vicki Luker (2nd)

10am: Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson
Welcomer: Judith Swanson
Sidespeople: Janene Broere & Brian McKinlay
Liturgical Assistant: Philippa Wicks
Music: tba
Readers: Colin Dundon (1st)
David Tscharke (2nd)
Chalice Servers: James Kim & Doreen Sengati-Odom
Morning tea: Jan Gulliver & Doreen Sengati-Odom

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 21 July 2019

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

10am Music

Hymns: 165, 387, 197 & 626

Sentence

In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and trust shall be your strength.
Isaiah 30.16

Prayer of the day

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ and make yourself our guest: amid the cares of our daily lives, make us attentive to your voice and alert to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

Genesis 18.1-10a; Ps 15; Colossians 1.15-29; Luke 10.38-42

Today's Rosters

Flowers: The Flower Team

8am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Sidesperson: Vicki Luker; Liturgical Assistant: Elise Palethorpe; Bible Readers: Margaret McCaskie (1st); Russell McCaskie (2nd).

10am Presiding & Preaching: Rev'd Martin Johnson; Welcomer: Richard Griffith; Sidespeople: Sally Adams & Anne Mahony; Liturgical Assistant: Peter Wilson; Music: Jeanette Dundon-Tunks; Bible Readers: Ashton Robinson (1st); Brian McKinlay (2nd); Chalice Servers: James Kim & Volunteer; Morning Tea: Beryl Blaseotto & Helen Palethorpe.

Psalm 15

- 1 Lord, who may abide in your tabernacle:
or who may dwell upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads an uncorrupt life and does the thing which is right:
who speaks the truth from the heart, and has not slandered
with the tongue;
- 3 Who has done no evil to a friend:
nor vented abuse against a neighbour;
- 4 In whose eyes the worthless have no honour:
but who makes much of those that fear the Lord;
- 5 Whoever has sworn to a neighbour:
and will not go back on that oath;
- 6 Who has not put money to usury:
nor taken a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things:
shall never be overthrown.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

The 14th century Dominican, Meister Eckhart has been called the 'mystic of everyday life.' For Eckhart a life of contemplation is not only entirely compatible with the hustle and bustle of ordinary daily life; in fact, the two – the *vita contemplativa* and the *vita activa* – mutually nourish one another. The highest contemplation is expressed in active engagement with daily life and work, not in spite of it. In Eckhart, the inner and the outer are integrated. One writer put it: a mystic is simply a person who takes a long loving look at reality. I wonder if this is what Jesus is saying to Mary and Martha in today's Gospel reading. During the week at the Eucharist we heard the famous passage from Matthew where Jesus says to the crowds, having said some rather strident things against them: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Mary is clearly learning from Jesus and he encourages Martha to do the same; to do the practical, caring, hospitable things in a spirit of love. In this way even the chores are more bearable! This is the mark of us as a community of faith. It is not so much what we do, but the spirit in which we do it!

This spirit in which we live our lives, is the Spirit of the Crucified and Risen Christ. All too often we tend to pray that God might help us in our ministries whatever they may be. This is of course the wrong way round! If our ministries are Christian then we are participating in Christ's ministry. All too often I hear of ministers, priests who are stressed and or burnt out and I sometimes wonder if they have missed a basic truth about all ministry, that it is Christ's and we participate in it. We are not called to carry burdens too much for us to bear. Any criticism Jesus might have of Martha could very well be – remember who you are serving, it is me and I have come not to be served but to serve. Come and sit and learn how to *participate* in *my* ministry.

Today we will also hear the story of Abraham's visitors. They are depicted in the icon on our votive stand, the famous Rublev's Icon of the Trinity. The icon has been written in such a way to draw us in, to participate in the divine life. There is a space at the table, welcome to the hospitality of God.

Speaking of hospitality, thank you to those of you who came along to Food4thought last Sunday – they happen on the second Sunday of every month. If you have a topic you'd like to discuss, please let me know. These gatherings are lively and the food is good too! Baden Williams will join us in one of these monthly gatherings soon to speak about Christian mission to the folk of PNG.

Blessings, **Martin**.

St Philip's Calendar - <http://stphilipsoconnor.org.au/calendar.php>

Friday 26 July, 5 – 7pm **Happy Hour** – Theme 'Christmas in July'

Friday 26 July, 7 – 8.30pm **St Philip's Youth Group**

Sunday 4 Aug, 10am **Sunday Zone**

Wed'day 7 Aug, 7-9pm **Parish Council Meeting**

Friday 9 Aug, 7 – 8.30pm **St Philip's Youth Group**

Sunday 11 August, 11.30 **Food 4 Thought** – LC Meeting Room

Discussion & shared light lunch by donation. Everyone welcome.