

THIS WEEK**18 OCTOBER 2009****TRINITY 19**

8.00 am	Holy Communion 2 (A.A.P.B. p.134) Exodus 1:1-22 (p.55) Philippians 1:1-11 (p.1161)	Terry Burn Rosemary Burn	Brian Heath
	'When Prayer Is A Privilege' Organ Postlude: Country Dance (James Hook, 1746-1827)		
9.30 am	PowerPoint Kids' Spot Exodus 1:1-22 (p.55) Philippians 1:1-11 (p.1161)	Andrew Drury Iris Bramley Helen Whight	Brian Heath
	'When Prayer Is A Privilege'		
6.30 pm	PowerPoint Exodus 1:1-22 (p.55) Philippians 1:1-11 (p.1161)	David Warren-Gash Andrew Drury	Brian Heath
	'When Prayer Is A Privilege'		

NEXT WEEK**25 OCTOBER 2009****TRINITY 20**

8.00 am	Holy Communion 2 (A.A.P.B. p.134) Exodus 2:1-10 (p.55) Philippians 1:12-26 (p.1161)	Colin Robinson David Oakenfull	Brian Heath
	'When Death is a Bonus'		
10.00 am	Lord's Supper 2A (S.S. p.62) Kids' Spot Exodus 2:1-10 (p.55) Philippians 1:12-26 (p.1161)	Andrew Drury Paul Wrigley Julia Caladine	Brian Heath
	'When Death is a Bonus'		
6.30 pm	Powerpoint Exodus 2:1-10 (p.55) Philippians 1:12-26 (p.1161)	Angus Mackenzie Philip Simpson	Brian Heath
	'When Death is a Bonus'		

Support Ministries:

Cleaning:	Elleson Family
Sidespeople:	
8.00am	Colin Robinson & Roy Artist
10.00am	Martin Deck & Helen Whight
6.30pm	Jon Warren-Gash, Jamie Mackenzie
Morning Tea:	
8.00am	Rhondda Day
10.00am	Anne Coyne, Jacqui Taylor, Julie & Stephen Kelly
Crèche:	Sue Heath, Vicki Carter, Kimberley McSweeney
Supper:	Jamie Mackenzie, Beth Wright, Emma Elleson

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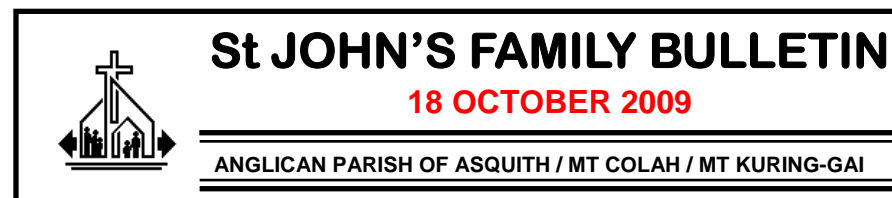
Minister: Brian Heath Email: bheath@stjohnsasquith.org.au (**Day off: Tuesday**)

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**Introduction to the book of Philippians**

Philippi was the first major town in ancient Macedonia to be visited by Paul and Silas when they crossed over into Europe from Asia (Acts 16:11-40) but Paul's letter to the church dates from a later time when he was in prison, most probably in Rome (refer to Acts 28:16-31).

The letter is expressive of the fellowship between Paul (with Timothy) and the congregation in Philippi, who were regarded with affection by him as sharers in the common task of Christian mission (Phil. 1:5). Paul shares news about his own situation as a prisoner with the aim of encouraging his readers. He also makes a strong pastoral appeal to the congregation to avoid dissension and to cultivate unity so that they will not be weak and unable to resist the powerful temptation, caused by active opposition, to give up their faith.

Philippians 2:6-11 is the prime example of an early Christian hymn. This hymn elegantly sums up Paul's teaching about the person of Jesus Christ and of the nature of God.

Also in this letter one finds Paul's motto for life which in turn has become the life motto for many Christians ever since: "for me to live is Christ; to die is gain." (1:21).

The letter also picks up the theme of sanctification with the expectation that the believer will grow in holiness (1:9,25; 4:8-9).

Finally the theme of joy runs throughout the entire letter. The concept of rejoicing or joy appears sixteen times in four chapters, culminating in the exhortation to "rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, rejoice!" (4:4). What we come to see is that joy is independent of our circumstances because we look beyond any particular event to the sovereign Lord who stands above all events.

Recommended Reading

The Message of Philippians by Alec Motyer
(Bible Speaks Today series)



Brian Heath

MISSION AID GROUP - MAG

Our **MAG** items for October are:

DISHCLOTHS



Our **MAG** for **KIDS** are:

STICKERS



Please place your gifts in the marked boxes at the back of our church. **THANK YOU** for your continued support.

PARISH DIRECTORY 2009

Don't forget to pick up your copy of the parish directory today from the table at the rear of the church.



If you would like an additional copy, please indicate on the list located on the table.

An **electronic version**, excluding photos, as an Excel spreadsheet can be emailed if you wish to receive one. In this case, please indicate by entering your name on the list.

JONATHAN'S LUNCH ROSTER

The lunch roster (on the atrium table) has improved, but Jonathan still needs a couple more names. **Please** put your name on the list.

CANBERRA BUSTRIP

The wedding of Jonathan and Elysha is getting much closer, **5th December 2009 at 2.00pm.**

Why not join the church group getting there by bus?

We shall be attending their wedding ceremony and also do some interesting and fun things in Canberra.

The National Gallery will have great display of paintings from Musée d'Orsay in Paris. Sounds worthy of a visit!

Those who are going, **please put your names on the clipboard.**

SUZ IRELAND NEWSLETTER



The latest newsletter from Suz Ireland on the Logos Hope is on the atrium table.

HADCEA MEETING

The next committee meeting will be held **THIS Thursday, 22nd October at 7.45pm.**
at St Marks Berowra



CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED COURSE



This course commences on **Thursday 22nd October at 7:45pm.**

For further details,
phone Brian Heath on 9482 3282.

OFFERTORIES 11 OCTOBER 2009

[For Electronic Giving the Account details are as follows:-
Asquith Parish General Fund BSB 062-106 Account 00900612]
Incomes: \$2,326.55 (General) + \$790.00 (Electronic)
+ \$52.00 (Ministry Fund) + \$45.00 (Building Fund) = **\$3,213.55**
(Combined Weekly Budget: \$5,304.00)

***** **SHORTFALL** at week 41: **\$6,511.17**

CHANGES TO CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

God is blessing us with a growing ministry to children at St John's. We thank Him for all those involved in caring for and teaching our precious children. The increased numbers are most pronounced in the crèche, preschool and kindergarten age groups.

In discussion with the Crèche and Oasis leaders, it has become apparent that we need a transitional group between these two programmes. Crèche will now cater for children aged to approximately 3½, with children moving up to the next group in either Term 1 or Term 3 each year. The transitional group will be for children aged from approximately 3½ through to the end of Kindergarten. Oasis will cater for children from Year 1 to Year 6.

I have offered to co-ordinate this new group, called "Starters". It will commence on 25th October (Term 4) and will be held in the old vestry rooms at the rear of the church hall. Like crèche, it will run throughout the year and rely upon a team of leaders and helpers.

In the meantime, would you consider if you would like to be involved in this new group? I need at least six leaders (4 week blocks) and eight helpers (rostered weekly). It would be great to have some men on the team. The children love being with those dads who come to crèche, it would be a shame not to have some involved with "Starters" too. All those involved will need to have completed Safe Ministry training. Training sessions can be arranged if required. If you have any comments, questions or suggestions, I would love to hear from you.

Suzanne Gilbert
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Have you looked at the website?

Jesus. All about Life - This is not just the name of the campaign. It contains the key message that will be communicated to the Australian community. In John 10:10 Jesus says:

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full".

Jesus did not come to start an institution or an organisation, he came so that all people everywhere would not have to live under the burden of a broken relationship with God, but know the abundant life of a restored relationship with God.

Website: www.jesusallaboutlife.com.au

SPRING CLEANING

Saturday 24th October

Our church and hall are looking a bit worn and weary.

So its all hands on deck to give our rooms a thorough clean.

Come armed with dusters, cleaning materials for wall and floor marks, buckets and sponges for windows, doors and furniture.



After the winds, outside needs cleaning and drains clearing also.

8.30am onwards, with a great morning tea to keep everyone going.



MEN IN BOATS DAY

14th November 2009 - 9.00am to 4.30pm

Meet at Brooklyn - Near Parsley Bay boat ramp

We will travel from Brooklyn to Patonga where we will have our lunch and return to Brooklyn at 4.30pm.



If you *don't have a boat that's fine* there will be space in others' boats.

If you *own or have access to a boat* then please bring it along.

What to bring: Sun screen, lunch (fish & chips etc. are available at Patonga), water to drink whilst on board, wet weather gear, sun hat, and anything else you think you may need.

How to register: Put your name on the list on the table. Please indicate if you are bringing a boat and how many people you can take in your crew or if you wish to be a crewmember. If you're riding please put your name down as well, noting that you're riding.

For more information: Contact John Watson 0411 266 156.

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE

FROM NEXT SUNDAY, 25th October our morning Family Service will start 30 minutes later at **10:00am**.

We will aim to finish at 11:15am.

This is part of a 3 month trial.

SUNDAY SERMONS @ ST JOHN'S

18 October to 25 December 2009



TO LIVE IS CHRIST

Sermons from Paul's letter to the Philippians

- 18 October** "When Prayer is a Privilege"
Philippians 1:1-11
- 25 October** "When Death is a Bonus"
Philippians 1:12-26
- 1 November** "When Humility is a Virtue"
Philippians 1:27—2:11
- 8 November** "When Imitation is Good"
Philippians 2:12-30
- 15 November** "When Religion is Rubbish"
Philippians 3:1-11
- 22 November** "When the Past is Irrelevant"
Philippians 3:12-4:1
- 29 November** "When Circumstances are Unimportant"
Philippians 4:2-23

LAST THINGS

- 6 December** "Those who sleep"
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- 13 December** "Jesus return"
Matthew 22:1-14
- 20 December** "Final Destinies"
Matthew 25
- 25 December** **CHRISTMAS**
"Bethlehem's Got Talent"