



Our Vicar Writes ...

Welcome to our worship today as we gather together as God's people to break open God's word and share at God's Holy table. I extend a special thank you to George and Harry and Alasdair who conducted and preached at services over the last two Sundays as I was on conference in Canterbury. There will be opportunities later to hear my reflections upon my travels and I have come back refreshed and renewed! The Gospel text today from Mark gives the account of the dance that eventually leads to the beheading of John the Baptist. It is interesting to compare this with the dance of David and the people of Israel recounted in the text from 2 Samuel this morning. It is a reminder that what is really important are the motives and desires of our hearts rather than the actions or deeds performed! May we always be mindful of *why* we do things, seek forgiveness when needed and open our hearts to the transforming Spirit of God. May we keep in our prayers also today those fellow parishioners who will be baptised and confirmed at the Chinese service. My sermon at both the English and Chinese congregations, in light of this celebration, will focus on the reading from Ephesians.

Morning tea

Morning tea is served in the undercroft after the 9.30am service. Please join us.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

FIRST AID KIT – Located in the office and kitchen.

TOILETS – Located in the Church Hall and in the church building through the church doors front right.

WHEELCHAIR – Located in the toilet for the disabled upstairs.

FIRE & EMERGENCY – Please make yourself aware of the nearest escape route in the event of an emergency or fire.

OH&S – Please ensure that any incidents/accidents are reported to the Vicar or Wardens and incident report completed.

Mission Statement

Sharing the Good News
Telling the story afresh
Expressing God's love
Nurturing and sharing faith
Equipping to serve
Serving the community

Vision

To ensure that there continues to be a living, committed, communal Anglican presence of liturgical celebration, nurture and outreach in Box Hill.

Sentence

Who shall stand in the Lord's holy place? Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their hands to what is false. Psalm 24.3–4

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendour of creation and in the beauty of human life. Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, to share our blessings with our sisters and brothers, and to experience the joy of life in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings

First Reading: **2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19**

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. It was told King David, 'The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.' So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fattling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

Psalm: 24 in the APBA prayer book, p. 244

Second Reading: **Ephesians 1.1-14**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark, Chapter 6, beginning at verse 14.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.' For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the

guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

For the Gospel of our Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Welcome to the Lord's Table.
All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion
or to come forward for a blessing.

Years Mind

Joan Holmes, Betty Groom, Florence Matthews, Nellie Berry
Adele Hearn, Jim Bartlett, Wallace Fowler

whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (Abp Allan Migi); Diocese of Armidale (Bp Rick Lewers, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of Frankston (Helen Phillips); St Columb's Hawthorn (Mike Flynn, Paul Hughes); St Stephen's, Mount Waverley – confirmation service (Bp Paul Barker); Holy Trinity Lara – confirmation service (Bp Philip Huggins).

The Parish: Pray for the Dream Stitches group and give thanks for the work of Jan Crombie with Dream Stitches as she retires from her position as Archdeacon for Parish Partnerships.

The World: Pray for victims of the floods in Japan. Give thanks for the rescue of the boys in Thailand and for the volunteers who worked so selflessly and courageously to bring about the rescue. Pray for the family of the diver who died in the caves.

The Nation/Community: Pray for all volunteers who work to improve their communities and who give so freely of their time and talents

Prayer of the Week

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Daily Readings

Monday	Isaiah 1.10-17	Ps 50.7-11	Matthew 10.34-11.1
Tuesday	Isaiah 7.1-9	Ps 48.1-8	Matthew 11.20-24
Wednesday	Isaiah 10.5-7, 13-16	Ps 94.8-15	Matthew 11.25-27

Thursday	Isaiah 26.7-12, 16-19	Ps 102.18-22	Matthew 11.28-30
Friday	Isaiah 38.1-8, 21-22	Ps 32.1-6	Matthew 12.1-8
Saturday	Micah 2.1-5	Ps 10.13-16	Matthew 12.14-21



*If you have anything you would like included in the Parish Link Notices , please email the office anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com or let Cecilia know **before** Thursdays. Please keep notices succinct and to the point as space is limited.*

EVENSONG AT THE CATHEDRAL

A group of parishioners is hoping to attend this service at which St Peter's will be particularly prayed for and if you would like to join them in travelling in, attending the service at the cathedral and maybe getting a meal afterwards, please let Cecilia or Keith know.

Good News August

The August **Good News** will hit the pews on Sunday August 5. Contributions welcome and should reach Harry by Monday July 30.

What do you think of the new extended "Good News? I would be interested in your feedback. Harry

NAMING COMPETITION



This exciting competition to name the CD of organ music recently recorded at St Peter's by Lewis Plumridge is in its **last week**. The competition is hotting up! Please email your suggestions to the parish office: anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com. Our latest amazing suggestions are:

1. Lewis and organ in unison.
2. Lofty organ with Lewis
3. Ode to organ with Lewis
4. Organ excellence
5. Organ encore
6. Rich repertoire
7. Connoisseur class
8. Organ oasis.
9. Classic Mix with Lewis Plumridge
10. A Plumridge Unleashed
11. Piping Hot Tunes by Lewis Plumridge
12. Plum Organ Pieces from Lewis Plumridge
13. A Peak Performance (with Lewis on Organ)
14. "The playing of the merry organ, Sweet music in the choir"
15. Lewis@StPeters
16. Lewis Plays St Peters Pipes
17. Offertorio (Italian word for offering & name of the first piece on the CD)



MOTHERS' UNION

Next meeting: Wednesday 25th July.

We will take part in "the Wave of Prayer". Meet at 1.30pm in the undercroft.

CAN YOU HELP?

Fr Joseph Arou and his wife Aliza will be visiting South Sudan later this year, taking one of their children. This is a meaningful visit for the family with Aliza meeting some family members for the first time. Such a trip is inevitably expensive and Fr Shane and the Parish Council are keen to give some financial assistance. If you think you can assist with a donation, please see the wardens, Rob Kennedy or Garry Plumridge. Cheques can be made payable to the Anglican Parish of Box Hill or cash may be placed in an envelope marked "Travel to South Sudan" and put on the plate. Many thanks.



TELLING THE STORY AFRESH

We need your help! Do you know of anyone who is seeking to know the Christian faith? Are you yourself in need of a refresher in the faith? On 11 August 2018 the parish will launch its evangelism course for 2018 – 'Turning to Christ' – This course of six studies has been produced by the Church of England as part of its Pilgrim study course. It is important for any Christian community to 'tell the story afresh' and this course is one aspect of our church's efforts to do just that! Please make contact with clergy or the parish office if you are interested or you know of someone we can invite. Be on the lookout for more information to come in the weeks ahead!



A COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

'The *Pilgrim* course is a journey to the heart of God and to a living, personal relationship with Jesus Christ.' - *The Archbishops of Canterbury and York*

Australia's premier Welsh choir is returning to Box Hill.

The Australian Welsh Male Choir

Côr Meibion Cymreig Awstralia



Sunday 5th August 2018 2:30pm

St Peter's Anglican Church

1030 Whitehorse Rd Box Hill

Tickets

Adult \$25 Concession \$20

Children \$10

Available from

Church Office: 9899 5122

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or at the door



www.awmc.org.au

PROPOSED USE OF ST AIDAN'S CHURCH

As most are aware, we discontinued holding regular Sunday services at St Aidan's in late 2013. In 2014, the Metropolitan Community Church Melbourne (MCCM) used the church for their Sunday evening services until May this year when they relocated to Hawthorn, so the church is currently not in use.

Dream Stitches, who relocated from St Philip's to St Aidan's in mid 2016 to make use of the larger hall has presented a proposal to Parish Council to use the St Aidan's church on Fridays for their children's program.

This program is more than just a child minding exercise, it is now well structured and run by a qualified leader and supported by Anglicare.

In principle, Parish Council wishes to support the proposal with certain conditions:

- The sanctuary area to be screened off for safety and respect of the area.
- The organ at the rear of the church is screened off for safety.
- The font remains in place and screened off for safety and respect of the area.
- The space across in front of the sanctuary is kept clear as a 'corridor' linking the east and west doorways as a safe and clear thoroughfare.
- That the church pews will be sold or stored to ensure safety and provide necessary space. The memorial plaques will be removed from the pews and made into an appropriate Memorial Board, to be placed in the church building.
- That a rubber carpet mat is placed on the floor as the main play area (funded by Dream Stitches).
- That the church will be available to the parish for occasional use, eg Taize services, funerals or special services.
- No permanent structure or fittings are to be installed.
- That the arrangement can be concluded by the Parish should we determine that the building is needed for the Parish's own activities.

Given the history of the St Aidan's church and the special attachment many members of the congregation have to it, Parish Council agreed to advise Parishioners of the proposal and to consider all comments, concerns or questions it receives regarding this proposal. Parish Council next meets on Tuesday 24 July and will meet at St Aidan's. Please raise your comments or concerns with one of the Churchwardens or a member of the Parish Council by Sunday 22 July.

The Friends of Anglican Music
*"The preservation and promotion
of
Anglican Church Music"*

Sung Evensong
at
St Peter's, Box Hill
Saturday August 4, 4.00pm

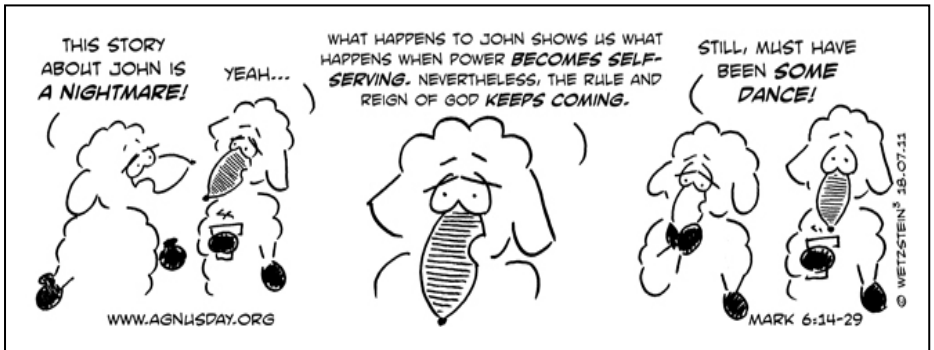
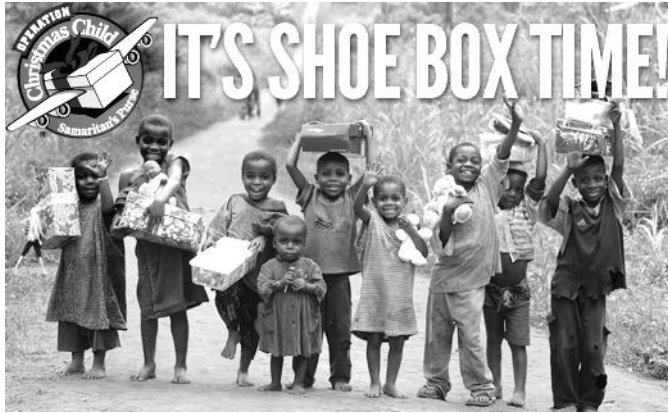
Supper will follow in the undercroft.

All welcome.



SHOEBOX SUNDAY 28 October 2018

Boxes are still available as well as starter bags for \$10. Keep collecting towards the contents of your box/boxes. A list of suggestions for the boxes is available on the table at the back of the church. If you would like to participate and are not able to get things for a box, ask Jan and she will do one for you and/or donations towards freight are always very welcome.



What's on this Week

TODAY 15.7.18

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am **Holy Communion**

9.30am **Holy Communion**

11.30 **Mandarin Service**

2.00pm **Dinka Service**

2.30pm **Discipleship Workshop, hall**

7.30pm **Al Anon, hall**

MON 16.7.18

7.30pm **Narcotics Anonymous, St Aidan's**

TUES 17.7.18

8.30-12.00pm **Men at Work**

8.30am-12.30pm **Office open**

6.00-8.00pm **Sudanese Prayer**

WED 18.7.18

10.30am **Eucharist**

2.00pm **Play Group** Set up, *hall*

6.00-7.00pm **Chinese Dancing, hall**

THU 19.7.18

10.00-2.00pm **Office open**

9.30-11.30am **Play Group, hall**

6.00-8.00pm **Sudanese Prayer, u/croft**

FRI 20.7.18

7.30am **Eucharist**

10am-1.00pm **Chinese Nurse Assoc, hall**

5.00-9.00pm **Chinese Prayer Group**

SAT 21.7.18

9am-12pm **Homework Club, hall**

SUN 22.6.18

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am **Holy Communion**

9.30am **Holy Communion**

11.30 **Mandarin Service**

2.00pm **Dinka Service**

2.30pm **Discipleship Workshop, hall**

For the Diary

29 July

Choral Evensong for St Peter's in the cathedral, 6pm

4 August

Friends of Anglican Music at St Peter's

Evensong 4pm, supper afterwards

5 August

Aust Welsh Male Choir

2.30pm

11 August

Evangelism/faith-formation course

12 August

Mothers' Union Service & morning tea

18 August

Family & Children's Service, 10am

13 October

Spring Fair

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Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm

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*Before the service, speak to
God.*

*During the service,
let God speak to you.*

*After the service,
speak to one another.*

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Baptism, marriage & funeral by arrangement.

*Clergy are available for confession / counselling
by appointment.*

Roster 9.30am Service

SIDESPEOPLE	Today 15/7/18 Michele M, Barbara P	Next week 22/7/18 Ted G, Phil D, Gwen McD W
SERVERS	Today 15/7/18 Sophie E, Elizabeth B	Next week 22/7/18 Sophia E, Keith W
READERS	Today 15/7/18 Edwin C, Margaret B	Next week 22/7/18 Lewis P, Margaret D
INTERCESSOR	Today 15/7/18 Sophia E	Next week 22/7/18 Janet H
MORNING TEA	Today 15/7/18 Cecilia M, Margaret R, Jan G, Keith W	Next week 22/7/18 Barbara P M , Michele M, Dianne A