



**ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL**  
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost  
7 October, 2018

# Parish Link

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## Fr Harry Writes ...

Welcome to St Peter's.

To-day we baptise Henry. As he sets out on life's journey, the rest of us who are much further down the track know that the journey of life is rarely smooth. It includes moments of great joy and times of great pain and tragedy. People can be devastated for life, sometimes through no fault of their own. Sometimes they bounce back and rebuild their lives with a new and deeper understanding. Sometimes they sink into permanent anger and bitterness. To-day and for the next three Sundays we will read from the book of Job. It was originally a folk tale but it was incorporated into scripture because it deals with profound spiritual questions which affect us all sooner or later. Why do we suffer? Why do some suffer more than others? Where is God and where are we in suffering? Is it God's fault? Is God playing some capricious game with us? Is it our fault? Is God punishing us for some great wrong we aren't aware of having committed? Can we turn to God in tragedy or are we better turning away? Do we have to face the fact that God is not for real and has nothing to offer? Can we come closer to God who is beyond our understanding? Who is God really? Let's explore some of these questions together in the next two or three weeks.

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### **Morning tea**

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

#### **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.

#### **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.

## Sentence

Whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.  
Mark 10.15

## Prayer of the Day

Loving God, you have made us in your own image, creating us male and female, and you have consecrated the covenant of marriage so that in it is signified the spiritual marriage between Christ and his Church: pour your grace upon all who are called to this holy state, that, keeping their promise of faithfulness to each other, they may reflect in their lives your love for us all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Readings

First Reading: **Job 1.1; 2.1-10**

**1** There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. **2** One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, 'Where have you come from?' Satan answered the Lord, 'From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason.' Then Satan answered the Lord, 'Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life.' So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, 'Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die.' But he said to her, 'You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?' In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

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

**Psalm: 26** in the *APBA* prayer book, **p.246**

Second Reading: **Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12**

**1** Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. **2** Now God did not subject the

coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, 'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet. 'Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark, Chapter 10, beginning at verse 2.

### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.' Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.' People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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

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

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## Years Mind

Joan Wiltshire, Fr David Orange, Walter Kuhn  
whose anniversaries occur at this time.



## Prayer Points

**The Church:** The Episcopal Church (Abp Michael Curry); Diocese of Tasmania (Bp Richard Condie, Missioner Bp Chris Jones, Clergy & People); Converge International (Lindsay McMillan, Managing Director & Chaplains); St Matthew's Wheelers Hill (Jed Crispin); Holy Trinity Hampton Park – pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker); Christ Church Essendon – pastoral visit (Bp Brad Billings); St John's Bentleigh – pastoral visit (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Timothy's Bulleen – confirmation service (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

**The Parish:** Pray for the preparations for our Spring Fair next Saturday and for the success of this community outreach and for good fellowship on the day.

**The World:** Pray for the victims of the tsunami and earthquake in Indonesia and for their families and those who work to rescue and give aid to them.

**The Nation/Community:** Pray for rain in drought-affected areas and for the farmers and those who live and work in country towns in those areas.

## Prayer of the Week

Generous God, whose hand is open to fill all things living with plenteousness: make us ever thankful for your goodness, and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Daily Readings

<b>Monday</b>	Galatians 1.6-12	Ps 111	Luke 10.25-37
<b>Tuesday</b>	Galatians 1.13-24	Ps 139.13-18	Luke 10.38-42
<b>Wednesday</b>	Galatians 2.1-2, 7-14	Ps 117	Luke 11.1-4
<b>Thursday</b>	Galatians 3.1-5	Song of Zechariah (APBA, p.10)	Luke 11.5-13
<b>Friday</b>	Galatians 3.7-14	Ps 111.1-8	Luke 11.15-26
<b>Saturday</b>	Galatians 3.22-29	Ps 105.1-7	Luke 11.27-28



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9.00am – 2.00pm

***This Coming Saturday! Only 6 sleeps away!***

### **How can you help?**

Please contact Hilary if you can help or with any queries on 9899 7553.

We are very grateful to all those who can assist us with our Spring Fair this year, with special thanks to those who have been supporting our parish for decades. It is only possible with your prayers as well as practical help with the many aspects necessary, like advertising by delivering over 3,000 letterbox flyers, telling friends, family and strangers about our Fair, **setting up and cleaning up afterwards, creating crafts, cooking foods, nurturing seedlings and plants, running the many stalls, selling Raffle tickets for a better than 1 in 1,000 chance to win one of our six amazing prizes.** (Oh! By the way, we still have some left to sell, so don't miss out!)

### **Some changes this year include:**

Our Saturday School are organising a children's area with Face Painting, a Toy stall, a Lucky dip and Sudanese biscuits.  
Our Chinese congregation will have 8 different Asian foods for you to try and will also perform some Liturgical Dancing.

We welcome you all to our 2018 Spring Fair!

### **DISCIPLESHIP WORKSHOP**

In recess until **21 October** - save the date!

What will the next topic be? Come along and find out or...  
tell Esther or Sophia your best guess, and if you are correct  
there is a reward for you!

### **BAPTISM AT ST. PETER'S TODAY**

We warmly welcome Henry Raymond who will be baptised this morning during the 9.30am service and his parents Ray & Rachel Dorling. Henry is the grandson of Elizabeth & Eric Smith, and the great grandson of Muriel Smith.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** resumes on Wednesday 10th October, at 8pm in the Undercroft.



# Invitation to a Garden Party at *Bishopscourt*

In support of Dream Stitches Sewing Program

Refugee & Migrant Women

**27 October, 1.30 – 4.00pm**

This is wonderful chance to see Bishopscourt gardens and attend this worthwhile event for a highly enjoyable afternoon. Tickets available from Barbara Plumridge for \$35.

## ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDAR 2019

Orders are now being taken for the 2019 edition of the Anglican Church Calendar – still a bargain at \$12 each – ideal for gifts. Please see/contact Michele Mitchell on 9890 4387/[themitchells01@bigpond.com](mailto:themitchells01@bigpond.com)



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 25 November 2018

The service on this Sunday will start at **9.00am** and will be the only service for this day. The AGM will begin directly after the service finishes at 10.30am and it is hoped that all parishioners will be able to attend this important meeting.



## What's on this Week

### TODAY 7.10.18

#### Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Baptism and Holy Communion

11.30 Mandarin Service

2.00pm Dinka Service

Discipleship resumes 21/10

7.30pm Al Anon, *hall*

### MON 8.10.18

7.30pm Narcotics Anonymous, *St Aidan's*

### TUES 9.10.18

8.30-11.30pm Men at Work

10.00-1.00 Joyful Chinese, *hall*

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

6.00-8.00pm Sudanese Prayer

### WED 10.10.18

10.30am Eucharist

Set up for Spring Fair, *hall*

6.00-7.00pm Chinese Dancing, *hall*

8.00-9.00pm Choir Practice, *u/croft*

### THU 11.10.18

10.00-2.00pm Office open

Set up for Spring Fair, *hall*

No Play Group this week

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

### FRI 12.10.18

7.30am Eucharist

Set up for Spring Fair, *hall*

5.00-9.00pm Chinese Prayer Group

### SAT 13.10.18

SPRING FAIR 9.00am – 2.00pm

No Homework Club this week

### SUN 14.10.18

#### Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion

11.30 Mandarin Service

2.00pm Dinka Service

Discipleship resumes 21/10

7.30pm Al Anon, *hall*

## For the Diary

### 10 October

Cake making activity for Fair, *u/croft*

9.00am onwards

### 13 October

Spring fair

### 17-20 October

Synod

### 20 October

VMTA Concert, 2.00-6.00pm

### 21 October

Blessing of the Pets



### 28 October

Shoobox Sunday

### 4 November

Bishop Genieve visits the parish

Combined service at **11.00am**

Baptism and Confirmation

### 25 November

Annual General Meeting

(directly after service)

Service this day starts **9.00am**

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Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm

Thu 10.00am – 2.00pm

*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

<b>SIDESPEOPLE</b>	<b>Today 7/10/18</b> Rob K, Phil D, Dianne A <b>W</b>	<b>Next week 14/10/18</b> Elizabeth B, Don W, Margaret P <b>W</b>
<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>Today 7/10/18</b> Sophia E, Michele M	<b>Next week 14/10/18</b> Sophia E, Michele M
<b>READERS</b>	<b>Today 7/10/18</b> Gwen McD, Edwin C	<b>Next week 14/10/18</b> Charles B, Jan G
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	<b>Today 7/10/18</b> Michele M	<b>Next week 14/10/18</b> Keith W
<b>MORNING TEA</b>	<b>Today 7/10/18</b> Elizabeth B <b>M</b> , Lilian L, Lyn B, Gwen F	<b>Next week 14/10/18</b> Gwen McD, Janet H, Rosemary S, Peter W