



**ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL**  
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
18 November, 2018

# Parish Link

## 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. Welcome also to our children and families who have come for our FACS liturgy today. A special welcome is also extended to Esther who is preacher today at our morning services. In a couple of weeks we celebrate the beginning of Advent; the beginning of the Christian year, and we begin to prepare ourselves once more for the celebration of Christmas. Before that however, in the last weeks of the old year, the readings we hear proclaimed in scripture point us towards the end times and the second coming of our Lord and Saviour. There is a sense in which the question for us to face is: Are we ready? Our readings from Hebrews over the last few weeks have led to the confident statement in today's passage that in Jesus we can enter the Most Holy Place. The whole build-up, chapter after chapter, has been designed to remove any lingering doubts that there might still be sins that haven't been dealt with that are going to be suddenly recalled and used to sentence us to eternal weeping and wailing in the outer darkness. As priest, Jesus has done such a perfect job of dealing with the problem of sin that there is no possible way that anything we've done could have slipped through the net. If we've entrusted the job to Jesus, then we can be absolutely one hundred per cent sure that it is done, completed, perfected. The more pressing issue is what then? And the writer of Hebrews supplies the answer – draw near to God, hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, spur one another on to deeds of love, and not give up meeting together.

### 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

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed. 1 Samuel 2.10

## Prayer of the Day

O God, welcoming refuge for the outcast, and upholder of justice for the oppressed: maintain the hope of the poor, so that the time may soon come when no one need want for food and shelter, and all will learn to share freely following the example of your Son, who gave his very self; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Readings

### First Reading: 1 Samuel 1.4-20

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year after year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?' After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: 'O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.' As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, 'How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.' But Hannah answered, 'No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.' Then Eli answered, 'Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.' And she said, 'Let your servant find favour in your sight.' Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord'.

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

Psalm: **Song of Hannah** in the *APBA* prayer book **p.429**

Second Reading: **Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25**

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark, Chapter 13, verses 1-11

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs. 'As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them. And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. When they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.

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

Alma Joyner, Eva Claire Paull, Bill House,  
Sidney Mereweather, John Raselli, Marjorie Gibbs

whose anniversaries occur at this time.



## Prayer Points

**The Church:** Anglican Church of Bermuda (Bp Nicholas Dill); Anglican Church of Australia (The Primate Abp Philip Freier, Anne Hywood, The General Secretary, The General Synod & the Standing Committee); Lifeworks (Janet Jukes, CEO); St Jude's Carlton (John Forsyth, Tim Curtis, Peter Greenwood, Chris Porter, Alex Zunica); St George's Monbulk – pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker); Holy Trinity Doncaster – pastoral visit (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Margaret's Eltham – confirmation service (Bp Kate Prowd); All Saints' Greensborough – pastoral visit (Bp Kate Prowd).

**The Parish:** Pray for our Mothers' Union Group at St Peter's.

**The World:** Pray for leaders meeting at the APEC conference in Papua New Guinea.

**The Nation/Community:** Pray for those victims of the Bourke Street attack and for their families.

## Prayer of the Week

Almighty God, whose sovereign purpose none can make void: give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, knowing that your kingdom shall come and your will be done, to your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Daily Readings

<b>Monday</b>	Revelation 1.1-4; 2.1-5a	Ps 1	Luke 18.35-43
<b>Tuesday</b>	Revelation 3.1-6; 14-22	Ps 15	Luke 19.1-10
<b>Wednesday</b>	Revelation 4.1-11	Ps 150	Luke 19.11-28
<b>Thursday</b>	Revelation 5.1-10	Ps 149	Luke 19.41-44
<b>Friday</b>	Revelation 10.8-11	Ps 119.105-112	Luke 19.45-48
<b>Saturday</b>	Revelation 11.4-12	Ps 144.5-10	Luke 20.27-40



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

## WINE DRIVE 2018

Buy your wine supplies through the Parish and contribute a little to Parish Fund Raising. Wines are sourced from Prospect wines and we have kept the costs for wine at **\$14.00 a bottle**.

Forms are available from Hilary or the Office.

Forms and payment due: **November 25**.

Wine to be collected: **Sunday December 9**.

For all queries please contact Hilary or Charles on 9899 7553.



## BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for this Bible study on the nonviolent message of the Bible.

**Thursdays, 7.30pm** in the **Undercroft** continuing on November 22 and 29.

Contact Janet Hubner for more information: [janet.hubner@hotmail.com](mailto:janet.hubner@hotmail.com).

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Copies of the **Agenda** for the above meeting are available for parishioners to collect, one per family please. Please bring this copy to the Meeting.

**Nominations** received for election as Churchwardens and members of Parish Council and Incumbency Committee will be displayed near the entrance to St Peter's.

## MOTHERS UNION MEETING 28 November, 1.30pm

**AGM Wednesday Nov 28** in the Undercroft. Please endeavour to make this meeting so there can be discussion about where our branch goes from here. As you probably all know by now Heinz and I will be moving to Williamstown early in the New Year to be near our family. Please give serious thought to next year.

Our **final get-together** will be at the Box Hill RSL on Wednesday, **December 5**, following the mid-week service. I believe there are still a few vacancies. If you wish to attend, please let Jan Gunst know asap. Please bring an unwrapped present for an adult which will be given to Anglicare for Christmas distribution.

## ELECTION DAY STALL 24 November

We are asking for help from any volunteers who relish making and/or selling cakes, biscuits and home produce including jams and chutneys at our stall in the church grounds. Please let Hilary know about your availability on 9899 7553.

We know that many of you will be at Alasdair's wonderful ordination that morning.

## LECTIONARIES 2018

Some copies of the new lectionary are now available from the office at a cost of \$13. Please ask Cecilia in the office if you want one. Remember to bring the right money as we have no change!

## ORDINATION OF ALASDAIR MACKINNON-LOVE

We congratulate Alasdair on the news that he will be ordained a priest at the Cathedral on Saturday, November 24. We have been very blessed to have Alasdair with us at St Peter's and he has taken enthusiastic part in many of our activities. If you would like to donate to the gift we will be giving him, please put your donation in marked envelope (marked "For Alasdair") on the plate or give it to Fr Shane.

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### 2018 ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTIONS AND REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

**2018 Annual Meeting of the Parish of Box Hill 10.30 am**

**Sunday 25 November** Sung Eucharist **9.00am** (*not 9.30am*)

**Elections: Churchwardens, Parish Council Members and Incumbency**

**Committee Lay Members** During the Annual Meeting, elections will be held for 2 Churchwardens, 6 members of Parish Council and 2 lay members of the Incumbency Committee.

**Revision of the Parish Electoral Roll**

A copy of the assumed Electoral Roll will be displayed on the Undercroft noticeboard and available to be cited from the Parish Secretary (Keith Wilkins). If you are not currently listed and would like to be, please use the application form available from the Parish Office, Welcomers/Sidespeople or Keith Wilkins.

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**THANK YOU** to everyone who made donations towards new children's chairs, 20 have been purchased for use by children in the hall.

**ELIZABETH BURTON** wants to thank everyone who sent cards or spoke to her after her recent operation and rehabilitation at home. She hopes to be able to attend services at St Peter's in the very near future.

**EVENSONG** Friends of Anglican Music (FOAM) Sat, November 24

**All Saints Anglican Church, 1157 Point Nepean Rd. Rosebud.**

Cnr Sixth Av. Melways 158 C12 (Parking in Centre of Nepean Highway)

Practice: 1.45 p.m. Evensong: 4.00 p.m. Refreshments follow Evensong.

**GOOD NEWS CORRECTION** The article on page 8 of the November **Good news: "What Does the Bible Say / or Is the Bible No Longer Relevant?"** unintentionally omitted the name of the author who is Noel Watkins. Apologies to Noel and all our readers.



Congratulation to Bishop George  
who celebrated his birthday yesterday.

# What's on this Week

## TODAY 18.11.18

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am **Holy Communion**

10.00am **FACS with Holy Communion**

2.30-3.30pm **Discipleship, hall**

7.30pm **AI Anon, hall**

## MON 19.11.18

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

## TUES 20.11.18

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 21.11.18

10.30am **Eucharist**

12.00-2.00pm **Chinese Dancing, hall**

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

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

**Choir Practice moved to tomorrow night**

## THU 22.11.18

10.00-2.00pm **Office open**

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

7.30pm **Bible Study, u/croft**

6.00-8.00pm **Sudanese Prayer, church**

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

*(Note change of date)*

## FRI 23.11.18

7.30am **Eucharist**

5.00-9.00pm **Chinese Prayer Group**

## SAT 24.11.18

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

## SUN 25.11.18

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9.00am **Holy Communion**

10.30am **AGM, u/croft**

11.30 **Mandarin Service**

2.00pm **Dinka Service**

2.30-3.30pm **Discipleship, hall**

7.30pm **AI Anon, hall**

## For the Diary

**22 November**

7.30pm **Bible Study, office**

**24 November**

At the Cathedral, Ordination of

Alasdair MacKinnon-Love,

**24 November**

State election booth, St Peter's Hall

Cakes, jams, etc. stall, St Peter's

**25 November**

Service this day starts **9.00am**

Annual General Meeting 10.30am

(directly after service)

**28 November**

Mothers' Union Meeting, 1.30pm

**29 November**

7.30pm **Bible Study, Undercroft**

**5 December**

Mother's Union End-of-Year Lunch

## *Christmas Services*

**16 December**

7.30pm **Festival of Nine Lessons  
and Carols**

**24 December**

6.00pm **Crib Service**

11.00pm **Holy Communion**

## Christmas Day

9.30am **Holy Communion**

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### Office Hours:

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 and 10.00am FAC Service

<b>SIDESPEOPLE</b>	<b>Today 18/11/18 FACS</b> Michele M, Barbara P W	<b>Next week 25/11/18</b> Don W, Rosemary S, Gwen F
<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>Today 18/11/18 FACS</b> <i>Not required</i>	<b>Next week 25/11/18</b> Sophia E, Kim C
<b>READERS</b>	<b>Today 18/11/18 FACS</b> <i>Not required</i>	<b>Next week 25/11/18</b> Garry P, other
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	<b>Today 18/11/18 FACS</b> <i>Not required</i>	<b>Next week 25/11/18</b> TBC
<b>MORNING TEA</b>	<b>Today 18/11/18 FACS</b> Margaret R (Milk), Keith W, Jan G	<b>Next week 25/11/18</b> Barbara P (M) Michele M, Dianne A