



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL
Sixth Sunday of Easter
26 May, 2019

**Parish
Link**

Our Vicar Writes...

Welcome to our worship today! We continue to proclaim that Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! We continue to celebrate and rejoice at the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour but prepare ourselves for the celebration of the coming of the Spirit and living spirit-filled lives! Thank you to Father Alasdair who covered while I was on leave last week visiting my father in Mt Morgan. When Jesus says that the Father will come and make his home with those who keep his word, we are inclined to find these words comforting and reassuring – and so they are. And Jesus goes on to say that the Holy Spirit will come and teach us his words, reminding us of all he has said. Even more comfort there. But even more, the Father wants the fullness of life and love for us. Being at home with God, means being at home with ourselves and with each other. To grow into this, we need clear heads and steely determination to face what undermines the growth of love in our lives. This knowledge will not come from ourselves. Indeed, it is a form of wisdom that can only come from the Spirit of God. In our desire to grow in love, we need pray, “Come Holy Spirit!” and be prepared for an interesting and challenging time.



View from the lookout going up to Mt Morgan

Sentence

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,' says the Lord. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.' John 14.27

Prayer of the Day

Great and loving God, your will for us in your Son Jesus is the peace which the world cannot give, your abiding gift, the Advocate he promised. Calm all troubled hearts, dispel every fear, and keep us steadfast in love and faithful to your word. Grant this through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who lives with you now and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading: **Acts 16.9-15**

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

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

Psalm: 67 in the *APBA* prayer book, p. 287

Second Reading: **Revelation 21.10-14,22 - 22.5**

21 And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. **22** Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more

night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John, Chapter 14, beginning at verse 23

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

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

Albert and Gwen Davis, Shirley Cormick, Thomas Ryan, Sam Klay,
Gwendoline Wilson, Joan Marks, Annie Daniel, Ida Hancock, John Dymond

whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: Pray for all members of the Anglican Communion around the world Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia; St Jude's Carlton (John Forsyth, Peter Greenwood, Sam Oldland, Michael Phillips, Chris Porter, Alex Zunica); New Bishops' Conference, Bishops court (Abp Philip Freier); St Andrew's Aberfeldie & St Aidan's, Strathmore – parish visit (Bp Brad Billings); St Silas, Albert Park – Pastoral Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Margaret's Eltham – parish visit (Bp Kate Prowd).

The Parish: Pray for all our parishioners who are unwell or in hospital and for all who care for them.

The World: Pray for the people of Indonesia and for their government.

The Nation/Community: Pray for the newly elected Australian government and for welfare of the people here.

Prayer of the Week

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant that we may walk in his way, rejoice in his truth, and share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

ABM Pew Reflections

Justice: Today we find Jesus healing on the Sabbath – completely scandalous to anyone following the Mosaic Law. Nonetheless we can see in this an act of justice where a paralysed man was cured and Christ could say to him ‘Stand up, take your mat and walk’. How can our parishes bring justice to those who need it? Pray that we might see out injustices and work to find creative and innovative ways to solve them. May we not be like the proverbial ostrich with a head stuck in the sand. Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Central Africa, remembering especially the work of the Zambia Anglican Council.

Daily Readings

Monday	Acts 16.11-15	Ps 149	John 15.26-16.4
Tuesday	Acts 16.22-34	Ps 138	John 16.5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17.15, 22-18.1	Ps 148.7-15	John 16.12-15
Thursday	Acts 1.1-11	Ps 110	Luke 24.44-53
Friday	Acts 18.9-18	Ps 47	John 16.20-23
Saturday	Acts 18.23-28	Ps 74	John 16.23-28



*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 Please keep notices succinct and to the point as space is limited.*



There will be another evening of quizzing and fun at the Quiz Night in June. Put the date in your diary and get together with a group of friends or come and join a table of eight in the hall on

Friday, June 21, 7.30pm

Bring your own nibbles. Tea and coffee provided.

Tickets: \$15 each (buy tickets from the Office or at the door)

This event is a fundraiser for St Peter's kindergarten.

ELECTION DAY STALL

Our grateful thanks to all who helped with the Election Day stalls last Saturday. Your efforts helped to raise \$1,606.24 which was a super result. We had fun and laughs as we worked together. Thank you!



TAIZE-STYLE SERVICE FOR ASCENSION.

Continue celebrating on Sunday at 6.00pm

We are celebrating the exaltation of Christ: risen, ascended, glorified! It is a liturgy of chants, readings, prayers and silence in the style of Taizé. We hope to have an economic fellowship meal afterwards. All welcome.

pilgrim

A COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

www.pilgrimcourse.org  [@pilgrimcourse](https://twitter.com/pilgrimcourse)

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!

Pilgrim is a major teaching and discipleship resource from the Church of England. It aims to help every local church create a place where people can explore the Christian faith together and see how it can be lived out each day.

Pilgrim takes a different approach to other Christian programmes. It approaches the great issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers.

'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*

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!

RAFFLE

IN SUPPORT OF THE BOR ORPHANAGE

We will sell raffle tickets to fund raise for the Bor orphanage roof for 2 more weeks. The prize is a beautiful hand-woven shawl by Jen Walker. Tickets only \$1.00. (Jen is always appreciative of any wool donations but a smooth thread is needed. Synthetic threads are not suitable.)

THANK YOU

Laurence Law would like to thank all those who were involved in the Lilian's funeral service last Monday. The service was extremely well attended and there were representatives from and participation by various groups in the parish which was all appreciated.



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.

This Week

TODAY 26.5.19

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00am **Eucharist**, 9.30am **Eucharist**

11.30 **Mandarin Service**

2.00pm **Dinka Service**

2.30pm **Discipleship studies**, *hall*

7.30pm **Al Anon**, *hall*

MON 27.5.19

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

TUES 28.5.19

8.30-11.30am **Men at Work**

10.00-1.00 **Joyful Chinese**, *hall*

8.30-9.30am, 1.00-4.00pm, **Office open**

6.00-8.00pm **Sudanese Prayer**

WED 29.5.19

10.30am **Eucharist**

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

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

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

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

THU 30.5.19

10.00-2.00pm **Office open**

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

FRI 31.5.19

7.30am **Eucharist**

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

Morning, **Dream Stitches**, *St Aidan's*

5.00-9.00pm **Chinese Prayer Group**

SAT 1.6.19

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

2.00-6.00pm **VMTA Concert**

SUN 2.6.19

Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.00am **Eucharist**, 9.30am **Eucharist**

11.30 **Mandarin Service**

2.00pm **Dinka Service**

2.30pm **Discipleship studies**, *hall*

6.00pm **Taizé service for Ascension**

7.30pm **Al Anon**, *hall*

For the Diary

June 2

Taizé service for Ascension

June 21

Quiz Night, 7.30pm

June 22

Pilgrim Program commences.
Every Saturday till July 27.

June 29

4.30pm Evensong

June 30

St Peter's Day
Combined service 10.00am

August 24

St Peter's Music Concert
2.30-4.00pm

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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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Clergy are available for confession / counselling by appointment.

Roster 9.30am Service

SIDESPEOPLE	Today 26/5/19 Ted G, Rosemary S, Gwen McD W	Next week 2/6/19 Noel W, Dianne A
SERVERS	Today 26/5/19 Sophia E, Elizabeth B	Next week 2/6/19 Rosemary S, Sophia E
READERS	Today 26/5/19 Garry P, Michele M	Next week 2/6/19 Gwen McD, Rosemary S
INTERCESSOR	Today 26/5/19 Betty B	Next week 2/6/19 Elizabeth B
MORNING TEA	Today 26/5/19 Barbara P M , Michele M, Dianne A	Next week Elizabeth B M , Lyn B, Gwen F