



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

St Peter's Day

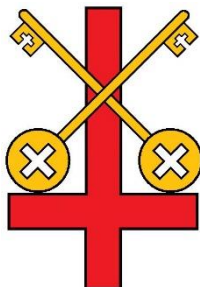
5 July, 2020

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Our Vicar writes...

Welcome to our worship today! Welcome to our Patronal festival as we celebrate our Patron Saint – St Peter. A special welcome is extended to the Rev Canon Dr Bob Derrenbacher, Dean of Trinity College, who is our preacher today. Of all the episodes involving Peter in the Gospel one of my favourites is his response to Jesus question, “Who do you say that I am?” Peter says, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” It is interesting to note the location of Jesus and the disciples when this incident occurs. They are at Caesarea Philippi, about 25k north of the Sea of Galilee. There could have been few districts with more religious associations than Caesarea Philippi. The Syrians had many temples there; the area was said to be the birthplace of the Greek God Pan; the River Jordan was said to start here and Herod the Great had built a great temple of white marble to the godhead of Caesar. It was Herod's son Philip who changed the name of the place from Panias to Caesarea and added his own name Philippi - of Philip to distinguish it from Caesarea on the Mediterranean. It is not hard to see Jesus standing amidst the religions and idols and temptations of our day, saying the same question to us, “Who do you say that I am?” Can we answer like our patron Peter that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God?

Can we be the rocks upon which Christ builds his church? The Church of God is more than these lovely buildings that we come to once a week. The church is you and me - the relationships we have with each other in the body of Christ. And that's why to know God involves more than just knowing about God. Theology is good and right and if we do not exercise our minds to the fullest concerning the nature of God and our relationship with God, then we pay him a disservice, however, the key is in our worship of the living God; in our relationship with God that goes on every day. We can rest in God but we cannot rest in the armchair watching others grow and go on. Our prayer is that we can answer Jesus question “Who do you say that I am?” with the answer “You are to me the Christ - the son of the living God and I will praise, reverence, and serve you, for that is why I am created.



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

Peter says to Jesus, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' John 21.17

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, whose apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their deaths as in their lives: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and knit together in unity by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

First Reading: Acts 12.1-11

It was about this time that King Herod arrested some who belonged to the church, intending to persecute them. He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. When he saw that this met with approval among the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This happened during the Festival of Unleavened Bread. After arresting him, he put him in prison, handing him over to be guarded by four squads of four soldiers each. Herod intended to bring him out for public trial after the Passover. So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him. The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries stood guard at the entrance. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. 'Quick, get up!' he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists. Then the angel said to him, 'Put on your clothes and sandals.' And Peter did so. 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me,' the angel told him. Peter followed him out of the prison, but he had no idea that what the angel was doing was really happening; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed the first and second guards and came to the iron gate leading to the city. It

opened for them by itself, and they went through it. When they had walked the length of one street, suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I know without a doubt that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from Herod's clutches and from everything the Jewish people were hoping would happen.'

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

Psalm: 34.1-10

I will bless the Lord continually:
his praise shall be always in my mouth.

**Let my soul boast of the Lord:
the humble shall hear it and rejoice.**

O praise the Lord with me:
let us exalt his name together.

**For I sought the Lord's help and he answered:
and he freed me from all my fears.**

Look towards him and be bright with joy:
your faces shall not be ashamed.

**Here is a wretch who cried, and the Lord heard him:
and saved him from all his troubles.**

The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him:
and delivers them in their need.

**O taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy the man who hides in him!**

Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones:
for those who fear him never lack.

**Lions may suffer want and go hungry:
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing good**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18

For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day – and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing. But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was delivered from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John, Chapter 21, beginning at verse 15.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' 'Yes, Lord,' he said, 'you know that I love you.' Jesus said, 'Feed my lambs.' Again Jesus said, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He answered, 'Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.' Jesus said, 'Take care of my sheep.' The third time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' He said, 'Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.' Jesus said, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.' Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, 'Follow me!' Peter turned and saw that the disciple whom Jesus loved was following them. (This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, 'Lord, who is going to betray you?') When Peter saw him, he asked, 'Lord, what about him?' Jesus answered, 'If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? You must follow me.'

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

Years Mind

Mark Borg, Harold Shepherd, Mary Carden, Annie Carter,
Amy Thomas, Roy Garden

whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: United Church of Pakistan (Bp Humphrey Peters); Diocese of Tasmania (Bp Richard Condie, Missioner Bp Chris Jones, Clergy & People); St John Chrysostom Brunswick West (Steve Sonneman, Len Firth).

The Parish: Pray for all members of the congregations of our St Peter's church.

The World: Pray for cooperation and goodwill between the powerful nations of this world.

The Nation: Pray for all educators and students coping with restrictions and difficulties with their studies.

Names of those in our parish who need our prayer:

Eric and Bev, Phil and Sandra, Joan, Alistair, Freya, John, Lauren, Mark, Sue, Christine, Lorraine, Neville, June, Gayle, Nigel, Eliza, Nancy, Kate, Gwen, Russ, Betty, Jessie, Don, Jim, Alma, Muriel, Faye, Eileen, Nola, Margaret.

Prayer of the Week

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you, that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer in time of an epidemic

Lord Jesus Christ, healer and friend, come and care for all of us through the danger and uncertainty of the coronavirus epidemic. To people who are sick, bring healing. To people who are displaced, isolated, or cut off from family, friends or work, bring comfort and companionship. Work with medical staff as they care for the sick, and protect them from harm. Give skill and fruitful research to scientists as they search for treatments, prevention and a cure. To public health authorities, give wisdom to decide the best ways to manage both this crisis and our anxieties. When communities are fearful, give a calm spirit, and kindness to neighbours and strangers. Through this testing time, and through all the risks we face together, teach us once again how we can love one another as you have loved us. Amen

Daily Readings

Monday	Hosea 2.16-22	Ps 145.1-9	Matthew 9.18-26
Tuesday	Hosea 8.4-7, 11-13	Ps 115.1-11	Matthew .32-38
Wednesday	Hosea 10.1-3, 7-8, 12	Ps 105.1-7	Matthew 10.1-7
Thursday	Hosea 11.1-9	Ps 80.1-2, 14-19	Matthew 10.7-15
Friday	Hosea 14.2-10	Ps 51.6-12	Matthew 10.16-23
Saturday	Isaiah 6.1-8	Ps 93	Matthew 10.24-33

ABM Pew Reflections

Today we celebrate the two great missionaries – St Peter and St Paul, both of whom were martyred for their faith in Jesus Christ. Both faced great hardships for Christ as they ministered to the communities in which they worked, suffering martyrdom. May we, their successors in the faith, be empowered by the same Spirit that caused them to proclaim God's love both locally and globally throughout our interconnected world. Pray that we too can effectively proclaim God's love in our homes and families, our suburbs and towns, our country and our world. Give thanks for the work and witness of St Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide; and St Peter's Cathedral, Armidale. Give thanks for the work and witness of St Paul's Cathedral, Bendigo; St Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne; St Paul's Cathedral, Rockhampton; and St Paul's Cathedral, Sale. Give thanks for those who leave the comforts of home in order to bring God's love to others.



*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*

ATTENDING SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST PETER'S

You are welcome to come to the service on Sunday but please help us to make sure our numbers don't exceed the limits, and take note of the following:

- **Ring** or email **the Vicar** before Sunday.
- Arrive by **9.20am**.
- Enter the church through the **side door**.
- **Read the notices** on the table just inside and observe the regulations about signing the contact register and cleaning your pew area.



9.30am Sunday

**CHURCH
ONLINE**

St Peter's Anglican Church Box Hill



[Service on St Peter's Day](#) (Control and click)

OR go to

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sIngLpT_sko&feature=youtu.be

MOTHERS' UNION – MARY SUMNER HOUSE

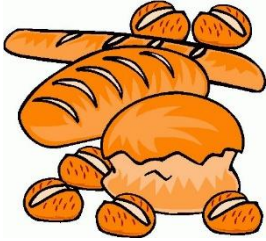
Some weeks ago I wrote an article regarding the dire situation of Mary Sumner House, the worldwide headquarters of Mothers Union, which is in London. With the very generous donations from our branch members and some parishioners we have sent \$750 to our diocesan treasurer. He tells us that the total amount of \$4980 has been received from 51 donations, (branches and private). This has been a great result. If any parishioners would like to make a donation or ask about Mary Sumner House, contact Jan 98906528.

SENIORS ONLINE

Whitehorse City Council is providing some "Stay Connected" activities and one of those is a link to a range of games including crossword, code cracking, etc. If you would like to access it, the address is:

<https://www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/services-information/games/crossword>

BREAD DELIVERY



St Peter's is still receiving deliveries of bread, and as usual, some weeks there is more bread than others. If you would like to pick some up, ring Alasdair (0438 323 059) on Saturday mornings to find out if any is available and then come over to St Peter's to get the bread. Social distancing rules, of course, will apply.

Left over bread will be kept in the Office or Undercroft for collection until Thursdays.

GOOD NEWS

The next GOOD NEWS will hit the pews in early August. As there is little parish news at the moment, we need lots of original contributions. Use your imagination or find interesting news items or ideas from other sources. Many thanks.

Send to Harry at ahmkerr@hotmail.com by July 27th.

APPEALS

The Melbourne Anglican Foundation:

- **Melburnians facing hardship** through the Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society
- **The unwell and those suffering from Covid-19** through the Melbourne Anglican Chaplaincy Fund (Hospital Chaplaincy)
- **Migrants and refugees** through the Migrants and Refugees Settlement Fund
- **Young people** through the Melbourne Anglican Youth Ministry Fund
- **Arts and culture** through the Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation Inc.

You can make a gift today by mail to The Melbourne Anglican Foundation, 209 Flinders Lane, Melbourne VIC 3000. Or online, if you prefer: www.melbourneanglican.org.au/ServingCommunity/Foundation/Pages/Foundation

OR

Anglicare

Donate now to help vulnerable Victorians get through this crisis. A crisis doesn't change who we are. It reveals who we are. While the Coronavirus has pushed vulnerable families to breaking point, the economic crisis is going to be catastrophic. Will you donate to help them today?

- We're delivering food and essentials weekly to families who are isolated
- We supply clean clothes directly to people who need them
- We are still assisting people with no homes, find a safe place to live
- We refer people who need specialist support via the phone or online

That's why we need your support to fund these increased efforts during these times. Please, will you make a gift today?

PO Box 45, Abbotsford, VIC, 3067

Website: <https://www.anglicarevic.org.au/donation/>

DONATIONS OF ESSENTIAL ITEMS

Basic grocery items can still be donated on a Saturday morning to the Undercroft (or left in the office during the week). Thanks to Father Alasdair who is co-ordinating this effort.

Drop off time: 10.00-11.00am

Items required: rice, pasta, pasta sauce, full-cream milk, flour, breakfast cereal.

PUZZLING...

Answer to last week's puzzle: ABEL, ABRAHAM, ADAM, CAIN, EVE, HAM, ISHMAEL, JACOB, JUDAH, LEAH, NOAH, RACHEL, REBEKAH REUBEN, SARAH

New Puzzle

Here is another books of the Bible puzzle.

Can you find thirty (30) books of the Bible in this paragraph? Actually, there are 31 if you can find the variant of one Old Testament prophet's name, a variant that's used in the text of the King James Version (not as the title of a book, but in the text itself).

There are 30 books of the Bible in this paragraph. Can you find them? This is a most remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much that he passed it on to some friends. One friend from Illinois worked on this while fishing from his john boat. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo. Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column. Another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so involving, she brews a cup of tea to help her nerves. There will be some names that are really easy to spot. That's a fact. Some people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the book names are not necessarily capitalized. Truthfully, from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or a scholar to see some of them at the worst. Research has shown that something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in this paragraph. During a recent fundraising event, which featured this puzzle, the Alpha Delta Phi lemonade booth set a new record. The local paper, The Chronicle, surveyed over 200 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult that they had ever seen. As Daniel Humana humbly puts it, "The books are all right here in plain view hidden from sight." Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown. One revelation that may help is that books like Timothy and Samuel may occur without their numbers. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal. A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mad exodus; there really are 30 books of the Bible lurking somewhere in this paragraph waiting to be found. God Bless.

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

Some time after the Ark landed, God was in touch with Noah again. To Noah's surprise, he was asked to build a second craft.

Would it be the same as the first one, Noah enquired.

'No, this one is special – it's just for fish.' God answered.

'For fish?' Noah asked. 'Any particular sort of fish?'

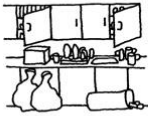
'Yes, indeed, Noah,' came the reply. 'For carp.'

'I see, said Noah, who didn't really see at all. 'Any special construction requirements?'

'I want a hold, at least ten decks, and an upper deck at the top. It has to be a multi-storey carp ark..'



ANY OTHER BUSINESS



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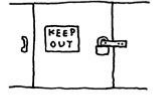
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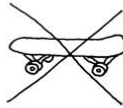
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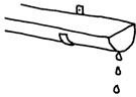
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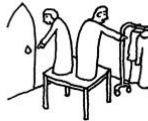
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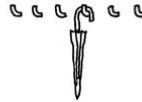
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IT SEEMS LIKE JESUS IS TRYING TO MAKE PETER FEEL BAD.

PETER HAD REALLY MESSED UP!

SO HAD PAUL. BOTH OF THESE MEN WERE CALLED TO WITNESS FOR JESUS AFTER HAVING DENIED HIM.

SO, THIS COULD BE CALLED "I WAS A REAL JERK BUT THAT DIDN'T STOP JESUS" SUNDAY.

WELL, THAT WOULD BE EVERY SUNDAY.

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ST. PETER & PAUL JOHN 21:15-19

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This Week

SUN 5.7.20

St Peter's Day

9.30am Streamed live service
(Go to our website for services and reflections.)

MON 6.7.20

John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs

TUES 7.7.20

8.30am-12.30pm **Office open**

WED 8.7.20

THU 9.7.20

10.00-2.00pm **Office open**

FRI 10.7.20

SAT 11.7.20

Food drop off and bread delivery

SUN 12.7.20

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9.30am Streamed live service



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Sophia Errey 9878 6297

Garry Plumridge 9898 5193

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