



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL
Third Sunday in Lent
7 March, 2021

Parish Link

The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our worship online and in person today! It is sad to announce the death of two beloved parishioners last Sunday – Margaret Nicholls and Suzanne Colliver. Both had been long time members of our community and will be greatly missed. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Margaret's funeral will be here at St Peter's church on Tuesday 9 March at 10am. Father Derek Jones will be leading this service of thanksgiving. Suzanne's funeral will be held here at St Peter's on Thursday 11 March at 2pm and I will be leading this service of thanksgiving. Given COVID restrictions we will be limited to 60 at each service. Please keep both families in your prayers in their time of grief.

Continuing our Lenten prayers for reflection – here is one from Saint Ephraim of Syria (4th century):

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk, but grant rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant. Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions and not to judge my brother, for blessed art Thou, unto ages of ages. Amen

THIRD SUNDAY IN
LENT

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.

Reporting Child Abuse

All child safety concerns
must be reported to
Kooyoora Professional Standards
1800 135 246

Sentence

God spoke these words and said, 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.' Exodus 20.1

Prayer of the Day

Lord our God, by your Holy Spirit write your commandments upon our hearts and grant us the wisdom and power of the cross, so that, cleansed from greed and selfishness, we may become a living temple of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

First Reading: Exodus 20.1-17

¹ Then God spoke all these words: ² I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷ You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸ Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹ For six days you shall labour and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. ¹² Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³ You shall not murder. ¹⁴ You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ You shall not steal. ¹⁶ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. ¹⁷ You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

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

Psalm: 19

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God:
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;

² **One day tells it to another:
and night to night communicates knowledge.**

³ There is no speech or language:
nor are their voices heard;

⁴ **Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:
and their words to the ends of the earth.**

⁵ There he has pitched a tent for the sun: which comes out as a bridegroom
from his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.

⁶ **Its rising is at one end of the heavens, and its circuit
to their farthest bound: and nothing is hidden from its heat.**

⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul: the command of the Lord is true,
and makes wise the simple.

⁸ **The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart:
the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever:
the judgements of the Lord are unchanging, and righteous every one.

¹⁰ **More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold:
sweeter also than honey, than the honey that drips from the comb.**

¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant taught:
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² **Who can know their own unwitting sins?:
O cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³ Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get
the mastery over me: so I shall be clean, and innocent of great offence.

¹⁴ **May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight: O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.18-25

¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

²⁰ Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²² For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³ but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

²⁵ For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John, Chapter 2, verses 13-22

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹³ The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵ Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' ¹⁸ The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' ²⁰ The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' ²¹ But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

Years Mind

Warwick Sheffield and Shirley Bristow, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Rest in peace: Margaret Nicholls and Suzanne Colliver



Prayer Points

The Church: Anglican Province of the Congo (Abp Masimango Katanda, Primate); The Diocese of Grafton (Bp Murray Harvey, Clergy & People); Spiritual Health Victoria Council (Cheryl Holmes, CEO); Parish of St Cuthbert's, Grovedale w. St Wilfrid's, Mount Duneed (Vacant Incumbency); St Columb's Hawthorn – Baptism & Confirmation Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Christopher's Benteleigh East – Final Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

The World: Pray for the people of Myanmar.

The Nation: Pray for all those who work in aged care and pray for those for whom they care.

Daily Readings

Monday	2 Kings 5.1-15	Ps 43	Luke 4.24-30
Tuesday	Song of 3YM 2, 11-20	Ps 25.3-9	Matthew 18.21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4.1. 4-9	Ps 147.12-20	Mathew 5.17-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 7.23-28	Ps 95.6-11	Luke 11.14-23
Friday	Hosea 14.2-9	Ps 81.13-16	Mark 12.28-34
Saturday	Hosea 5.15-6.6	Ps 51.10-17	Luke 18.9-14

Prayer of the Week

Lord God, our Redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery: free us from the tyranny of sin and death and, by the leading of your Spirit, bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



If you have anything you would like included in the Parish Link Notices, please let Cecilia know in writing before Thursday 9899 5122 or anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com

A decorative graphic of autumn leaves in shades of orange, yellow, and red, arranged in a horizontal band.

Autumn Market Fair

April 17, 2021 at St Peter's

Our Autumn Market Fair will be selling plants, cakes, jams and home produce. **In all stages of set up, selling and packing up we will be observing great caution and discretion with regards to COVID safety regulations.**

If you can help with setting up on Friday April 16 or in selling or packing up on Saturday 17, Hilary would be very happy to speak with you. Please also contact Hilary about contributions.

LENT STUDY

The vicar is conducting this study which continues on **Saturdays at 10.00am.** March 13, 20, 27 at 10.00am in the church.
Theme: "A River Through the Desert" .

MOTHERS' UNION

First meeting for this year will be **Wednesday, March 24 at 1.30pm.** We will have a meeting followed by a talk by Father Shane. Because of COVID there will be no afternoon tea.
In formulating our syllabus for 2021 all suggestions for meetings welcome



*Happy Birthday to Margaret Dooley,
who celebrates her birthday this week!*

TESSELAARS BULB DRIVE

We know the promise of new life is at the end of our Lenten journey. Perhaps as a symbol you may like to plant some bulbs as a reminder!

We offer the successful Tesselaars bulbs for you to buy while supporting our parish. The order forms are available from Hilary.

Last Dates for orders 28 March. Bulb orders are delivered directly to your home.

If you are uncomfortable with ordering on line please contact Hilary Blakeman on 9899 7553 or 0400 635 600 for support.



ST AIDAN'S GROUP

Has the last year left you or people you know feeling isolated, troubled or confused?

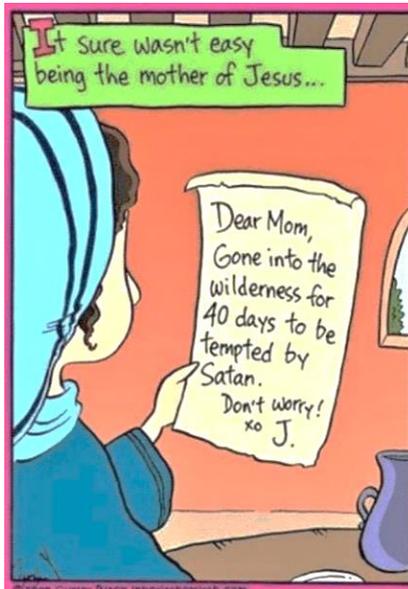
How about joining a group to learn more about God and how to relate faith and life?

A group will soon be starting to meet weekly, **beginning 16th**

March, on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm at St Aidan's, 10 Surrey St, Box Hill. It will include people from both Chinese and English backgrounds, and will be led by Rev. Esther Zhang and Sophia Errey. Some study, some sharing, and the opportunity to connect with others and grow in belief.

If this appeals to you, or you have a friend who might like to join, please have a word with Esther or Sophia.

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...



This Week

SUN 7.3.21

Third Sunday in Lent

8.00am, 9.30am Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

MON 8.3.21

9.30-1030am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-6.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

TUES 9.3.21

8.00-11.00am Men at Work

8.30am – 12.30pm Office open

5.30-7.30pm Bellydancing, *hall*

WED 10.3.21

10.30am Eucharist

10-11.00am Tai Chi *hall*

THU 11.3.21

10am – 2pm Office open

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

FRI 12.3.21

7.30am Eucharist

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 13.3.21

10-11.00am Lent Study Group, *church*

10am-1.30pm Saturday School, *hall* and *Undercroft*

SUN 14.3.21

Fourth Sunday in Lent

8.00am, 9.30am Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

For the Diary

March 13

Lent Study, 10am, church

March 17

Dream Stitches Meeting, St Aidan's

March 27

VMTA concert 1.30-5.00pm, church

Movie Evening 4.00-7.00pm, hall

April 7

Autumn Market Fair

Flute Guild concert, church 5.30-8.00pm

HOLY WEEK and EASTER

Thursday, April 1

7.30 pm Washing of feet, celebration of the Last Supper, and stripping of the altar.

9.00 pm Watch of the Passion

Friday, April 2

9.30am Good Friday service

April 4

6.00 am Lighting of New Fire, Renewal of Baptismal Vows & First Eucharist of Easter.

9.30 am Celebration Easter Eucharist.

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Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm
 Thu 10.00am – 2.00pm

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.

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Baptism, marriage & funeral by arrangement. Clergy are available for confession / counselling by appointment.

Roster 9.30am Service

	Today 7/2/21	Next week 14.3.21
SIDESPEOPLE	Ted G, Martin F	Sandra L, Dianne A,
SERVERS	Elizabeth B, Sophia E	Michele M, Sophia E
READERS	Linda B, Edwin C	Barbara P, Charles B
INTERCESSOR	Janet H	Betty B
COUNTING	Daryl P, Michele M	Ken McD, Ted G