



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL  
Fourth Sunday in Lent  
14 March, 2021

# Parish Link

## The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our online and in person worship today. Today, the mid-point of the season of Lent is traditionally known across many parts of Christendom by a variety of names: *Laetare Sunday*, *Refreshment Sunday*, or *Mothering Sunday* (predominantly in England). *Laetare* in Latin means rejoice and comes from the traditional reading for Lent 4 - Isaiah 66.10 – which starts “Rejoice O Jerusalem.” In times gone by the discipline of fasting during Lent was wide spread and it was relaxed at the mid-way point of the season – hence the name – Refreshment Sunday (with its tradition of *Simnel* cakes). May the Lord continue to bless us this Lenten season. Another prayer for use in Lent:

We seek salvation through our power  
yet you hang your useless bow in the clouds.  
We seek salvation through our progeny  
yet your lineage follows lines of faithfulness.  
We seek salvation through our independence  
yet your commandments plead for accountability.  
We seek salvation through our denial  
yet you hold forth the serpent and beckon us to look.  
We seek salvation through our intellect  
yet your wisdom is written on our hearts.  
We seek salvation through our heritage  
yet you invite us to make a journey of faith.  
May your invitation to journey  
overcome our comfort with the familiar. Amen. Katherine Hawker, 2003

# Mothering Sunday

### Mission Statement

Sharing the Good News  
Telling the story afresh  
Expressing God's love

### Vision

To ensure that there continues to be a living, committed, communal Anglican presence of liturgical celebration, nurture and outreach in Box Hill.

Nurturing and sharing faith  
Equipping to serve  
Serving the community

### Reporting Child Abuse

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

## Sentence

The Son of Man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. John 3.14–15

## Prayer of the Day

Everlasting God in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you: give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness prevent us from doing it; that in your light we may see light, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Readings

### First Reading: Numbers 21.4-9

<sup>4</sup> From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup> The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' <sup>6</sup> Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup> The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup> And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' <sup>9</sup> So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

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

### Psalm: 107.1-3, 17-22

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:  
for his loving mercy is for ever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let the Lord's redeemed say so:  
whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,**

<sup>3</sup> And gathered in from every land,  
from the east and from the west: from the north and from the south.

<sup>17</sup> **Fools were far gone in transgression:  
and because of their sins were afflicted.**

<sup>18</sup> They sickened at any food:  
and had come to the gates of death.

<sup>19</sup> **Then they cried to the Lord in their distress:  
and he took them out of their trouble.**

<sup>20</sup> He sent his word and healed them:  
and saved their life from the Pit.

<sup>21</sup> **Let them thank the Lord for his goodness:  
and for the wonders that he does for the children of Adam;**

<sup>22</sup> Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving:  
and tell what he has done with shouts of joy.

## Second Reading: **Ephesians 2.1-10**

<sup>1</sup> You were dead through the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup> All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. <sup>4</sup> But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— <sup>9</sup> not the result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John, Chapter 3, verses 14-21

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

<sup>14</sup> And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup> 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup> Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup> And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

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



## Years Mind

Mary Wood and Millis Taylor whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Rest in Peace Matthew King - loved brother & brother-in-law  
of Andrew & Janet King.

## Prayer Points

*The Church:* Iglesia Anglicana de Chile (Abp Tito Zavala); the Diocese of Perth (Abp Kay Goldsworthy, Asst Bishops Jeremy James, Kate Wilmot, Clergy and People); Cross-Cultural ministry; The Parish of St John's, Healesville w St Paul's, Yarra Glen (Matt Smith).

*The Parish:* We continue to pray for family and friends of Margaret Nicholl-Allnutt and Suzanne Colliver in their grief.

*The World:* Pray for the safety of all children, especially those without families.

*The Nation:* Pray for the mentally ill and for all who care for them.

## Prayer of the Week

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Daily Readings

<b>Monday</b>	Isaiah 65.17-21	Ps 30.8-12	John 4.43-54
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ezekiel 47.1-9	Ps 46.1-7	John 5.1-16
<b>Wednesday</b>	Isaiah 49.8-15	Ps 145.8-13	John 5.17-30
<b>Thursday</b>	Jeremiah 7.23-28	Ps 95.6-11	Luke 11.14-23
<b>Friday</b>	Hosea 14.2-9	Ps 81.13-16	Mark 12.28-34
<b>Saturday</b>	Hosea 5.15-6.6	Ps 51.10-17	Luke 18.9-14



*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](mailto:anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com)*

## TESSELAARS BULB DRIVE

Perhaps as a symbol of the promise of new life 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 Date 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.



# Autumn Market Fair

**April 17, 2021 at St Peter's**  
**Plants, cakes, jams, home produce and craft**

***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 20 and 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



## **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 16<sup>th</sup>**

**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.

**LADY DAY** Thursday 25th March

This year the Lady Day service will be held at S. Paul's Cathedral at 5.10 pm as part of Evensong.

Those wishing to attend in person will need to book via Trybooking on St Paul's Cathedral website <https://cathedral.org.au/worship/covid-19-attending-services/>

The service will be broadcast on Monday 29 at 2.30pm on channel 31 or 44. This gives us a chance to take part.

## FRIENDS OF ANGLICAN MUSIC (FOAM)

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021, at 4pm** – note there will be **no rehearsal**.

St John's Anglican Church, 5 Finch Street, East Malvern (Melway 59, F12)

The Service will be "The Cross of Christ" which is an RSCM devotion on the Passion of Christ. This publication gives options of anthems or hymns to be sung after each of a number of readings. To keep things simple, we will be singing only the hymns. This will mean there will be no need for a rehearsal.

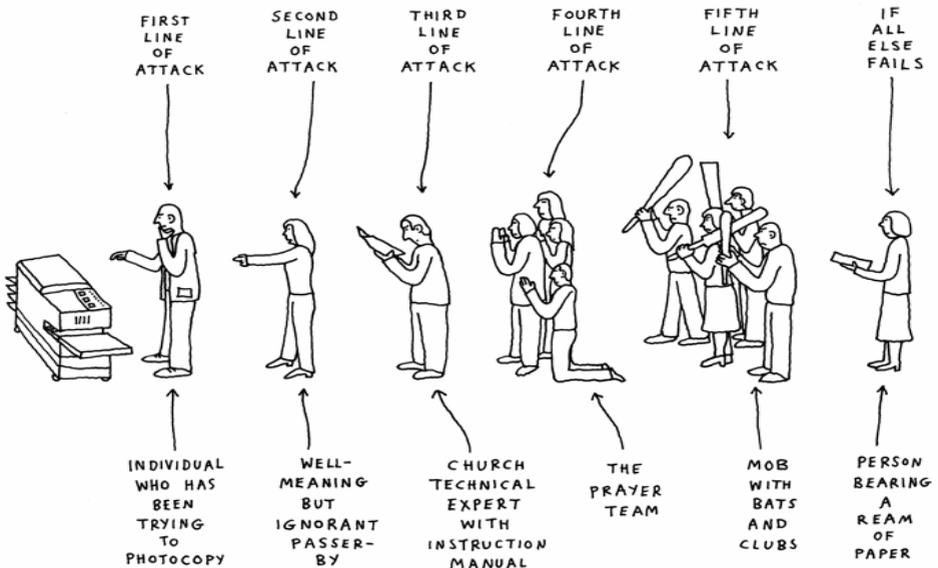
Therefore, please note, that **4:00pm is the start of the Service**.

The details of the hymns to be sung are available on the website:

<https://www.timclarke.net/foam/foam.html>

Rest in Peace: Brian Gilpin (St John's, Blackburn) one of the founding members of FOAM (d. 3/3/21)

# THE PHOTOCOPIER



## This Week

### SUN 14.3.21

#### Fourth Sunday in Lent

8.00am, 9.30am Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

### MON 15.3.21

9.30-1030am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-6.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

### TUES 16.3.21

8.00-11.00am Men at Work

8.30am – 12.30pm Office open

5.30-7.30pm Bellydancing, *hall*

### WED 17.3.21

10.30am Eucharist

10-11.00am Tai Chi *hall*

### THU 18.3.21

10am – 2pm Office open

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

### FRI 19.3.21

7.30am Eucharist

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

### SAT 20.3.21

10-11.00am Lent Study Group, *church*

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

### SUN 21.3.21

#### Fifth Sunday in Lent

8.00am, 9.30am Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

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## For the Diary

### March 17

Dream Stitches Meeting, St Aidan's

### March 20

Lent Study, 10am, church

### March 25

LADY DAY 5.10pm

St Paul's Cathedral

### March 27

VMTA concert 1.30-5.00pm, *church*

Movie Evening 4.00-7.00pm, *hall*

### 28 March

Last Date for bulb orders

### April 7

Autumn Market Fair 9.00am-2.00pm

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.



## ST PETER'S

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### Office Hours:

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 14.3.21	Next week 20.3.21
<b>SIDESPEOPLE</b>	Sandra L, Dianne A	Elizabeth B, Noel W
<b>SERVERS</b>	Michele M, Sophia E	Sophia E, Michele M
<b>READERS</b>	Barbara P, Charles B	Hilary B, Kim C
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	Betty B	Sophia E
<b>COUNTING</b>	Ken McD, Ted G	Ted G, Lyn B