



## The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our online and in-person worship today! With the celebration of the Ascension on Thursday the season of Easter is over and we wait for the celebration of Pentecost next Sunday and the long season of 'Sundays after Pentecost' that makes up half of the Christian year until the beginning of Advent in early December. From the Ascension to Pentecost is a period in which we can reflect upon the nature of Jesus. In the Gospel passage this morning from John's Gospel (John 17.6-19) we have a portion of what is called 'Jesus' high priestly prayer' where he is praying for us – his disciples. Among many things we learn from this prayer are the following important three: we are his, we are safe, and we are sent! It is no mistake that today marks the start of the week of prayer for Christian unity. We hear in verse 11 today Jesus' intercession for God to keep them (*all* Christians) in God's name that *they may be one, even as we are one*. May part of our discipleship be prayer for the breaking down of the barriers that divide us from our brothers and sisters in other denominations; and action that brings a united face to the world. May we take every opportunity to join with other Christians in proclaiming the word of God and ushering in God's kingdom. May we also continue faithfully to respond to the Archbishop of Canterbury's call for intentional prayer this Ascension tide for those who do not know Jesus as their Lord.



### 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

Jesus prayed, 'Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.' John 17.11

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth until the end of time; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Readings

**First Reading:** Acts 1.15-17, 1.21-26

<sup>15</sup> In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, <sup>16</sup> 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus - <sup>17</sup> for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.' <sup>21</sup> So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup> beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us - one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' <sup>23</sup> So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup> Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup> to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' <sup>26</sup> And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

**Second Reading:** 1 John 5.9-13

<sup>9</sup> If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup> Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup> And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup> I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John, Chapter 17, verses 6-19

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>6</sup> 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup> for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup> While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup> I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

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

### Years Mind

Mae Buckingham, Kathleen Griffiths, Jean White, Phyl Allen, Herbert Burkitt, Eleanor Oliver, Betty Boardman, Ellis Albrecht, Gordon Baensch, Florence Gale and Frederick Porter, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



### Prayer Points

*The Church:* The Anglican Church of Korea; The Diocese of North West Australia (Bp Gary Nelson, Clergy & People); Mentone Grammar School (Mal Cater, Principal; Andrew Stewart, Michael Prabakaran, Chaplains); Church of the Ascension Springvale (Inpa Eliezer); Long Beach Anglican – Pastoral Service (Bp Paul Barker); St John's Sorrento – Organ Dedication (Bp Paul Barker); St John's West Brunswick – Baptism & Confirmation Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); Anglican Parish of Banyule – Pastoral Visit (Bp Kate Prowd).

*The Parish:* Pray for all our parishioners in hospital or aged care.

*The World:* Pray for those countries at war or struggling with health crises.

*The Nation:* Pray for our government and wise economic choices.

### Prayer of the Week

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we pray you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to the same place where our Saviour Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Daily Readings

Monday	Acts 19.1-8	Ps 1	John 16.29-33
Tuesday	Acts 20.17-27	Ps 68.7-14	John 17.1-11
Wednesday	Acts 20.28-38	Ps 68.28-35	John 17.11-19
Thursday	Acts 22.30, 23.6-11	Ps 16.1-6	John 17.20-26
Friday	Acts 25.13-21	Ps 103.15-22	John 21.15-19
Saturday	Genesis 11.1-9	Ps 104.26-32	John 7.37-39



*If you have a notice to be 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)*

Congratulations to Carole and Lewis on their 49th Wedding Anniversary.



## SEEING RED

Don't forget to wear red, if possible, to help celebrate **Pentecost** next Sunday.

## MORNING TEA after 9.30am service

Thanks to all those who are assisting with morning teas. We need to be mindful that Covid regulations still apply and we are bound to follow them. This means:

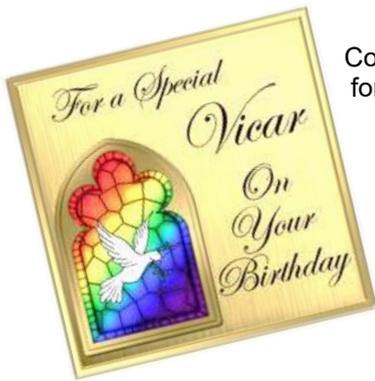
- **No self-service.** Please wait for the morning tea team to serve you. (They are very willing!)
- Please **hand sanitise** on entry and departure.
- Please **don't enter the kitchen.**
- Please enjoy the fellowship and socially distanced contact!



## OUR ORGANIST and CHOIR

It was great to have Lewis back again playing the organ again last Sunday and keeping the choir in line!

A big thank you to Garry Plumridge and Jennifer MacKinnon-Love for leading choir practice over the past few months, and for playing the organ - *and* singing in the choir! We are so very fortunate to have such accomplished musicians in our midst. Thank you all.



Congratulations to Fr Shane  
for his birthday last Thursday.

### **A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE - Saturday 5th June @ 7:30pm**

#### **George Wood Performing Arts Centre, Yarra Valley Grammar School, Kalinda Road, Ringwood**

The Salvation Army Melbourne Staff Band presents a great night of music with Marina Prior and Michael Cormick

Songs from Les Miserables, Phantom of the Opera, Cats, Guys & Doll and more!

Tickets available online via [www.msb.salvationarmy.org.au](http://www.msb.salvationarmy.org.au)

Adults \$30 / Concession \$25

### **REPAIRS TO THE FRONT OF BUILDING**

Many will have noticed that the low brick wall at the front of the church was demolished in March because it had been hit by a car (we think that it was actually hit twice in two weeks). The impact was sufficient to make the structure unsafe, hence its removal. Following professional consultation, Men at Work are reconstructing the wall, but it will be higher at the church end and stepped down to be lower at the driveway end to allow clearer vision of the road. A steel bollard will also be installed. At the time of writing this article, Men at Work, led by Garry Male our resident brick layer, has rebuilt half the wall and the work should be completed in the next few weeks.

### **LOOKING FOR MURIEL?**

Muriel Smith is now residing at Donwood Aged Care, 11 Diana Street, Croydon. (Off Mt Dandenong Road, not far past Maroondah Hospital.)

She can be found in Room 104, Ainslie Ward.

Ring Reception on 9845 8500, to ensure Muriel is "in". The family is happy for Muriel to receive visitors, and there is a cafe on the premises if you would like to arrange to have a coffee with her there.

Note: Muriel's son Eric generally takes her out for lunch on Fridays.

## CHURCH LAWS

Have you ever wondered what church law is and what laws apply to your parish or situation? Register for our free, one-hour lunchtime Zoom webinar where Archbishop Phillip Aspinall, the Hon Keith Mason and Bishop Alison Taylor will explore these and other questions.

**Date:** Thursday 27 May, 2021 **Time:** 12.00-1.00pm

**Cost:** Free but registration is essential

**RSVP:** Wednesday 26 May 2021 [Click here to RSVP](#)

**Enquiries:** [tcts@trinity.edu.au](mailto:tcts@trinity.edu.au)

## TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

Suddenly, Father Edward was not so sure whether he really should have bought the new crucifix at Ikea.



JESUS LEAVES HIS DISCIPLES BEHIND BUT PRAYS THAT THEY WILL BE PROTECTED IN HIS ABSENCE...

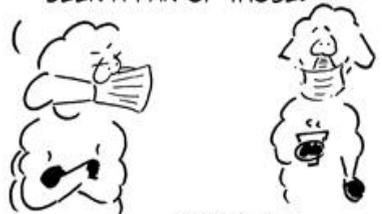


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YES, AND JESUS PRAYERS ARE **ALWAYS** ANSWERED BY THE FATHER.



IS THIS ONE OF THOSE "YES" - "NO" - "WAIT" PRAYER ANSWER SITUATIONS? 'CUZ I'VE **NEVER** BEEN A FAN OF THOSE.



JOHN 17:9-16

## This Week

**SUN 16.5.21**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**8.00am, 9.30am** Eucharist

**11.30am** Mandarin service

**2.30pm** Dinka service

**MON 17.5.21**

**9.30-10.30am** Tai Chi *hall*

**6.30-6.30pm** Tai Chi *hall*

**TUES 18.5.21**

**8.00-11.00am** Men at Work

**8.30am-12.30pm** Office open

**5.30-7.30pm** Bellydancing, *hall*

**WED 19.5.21**

**10.30am** Eucharist

**10-11.30am** Tai Chi *hall*

**8.00pm** Choir practice, *undercroft*

**THU 20.5.21**

**10.00am-2.00pm** Office open

**6.30-9.30pm** Crossways ESL, *hall*

**FRI 21.5.21**

**7.30am** Eucharist

**5.30-9.30pm** Mandarin Prayer Group

**SAT 22.5.21**

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

**SUN 23.5.21**

**Day of Pentecost**

**8.00am, 9.30am** Eucharist

**11.30am** Mandarin service

**2.30pm** Dinka service

## For the Diary

**May 19**

Dream Stitches Meeting, *St Aidan's*

**May 23**

Pentecost

**June 5**

VMTA concert, *church*

1.30-5.00pm

**June 12**

Piano student concert, *church*

3.00-7.00pm

**June 19**

Parish Staff Meeting

10.00-11.30am

Piano concert, *church*

9.00-11.45am

Grainger Wind Symphony, *church*

Midday-10.00pm

**June 27**

Patronal Festival

**July 15**

Playgroup resumes

**July 18**

Family and Children's Service (FACS)

10.00am

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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 16.5.21	Next week 23.5.21
SIDESPEOPLE	Michele M, Barbara P	Martin F, Noel W
SERVERS	Garry M, Sophia E	Sophia E, Rosemary S
READERS	Conrad H, Elizabeth B	Sophia E, Laurence L
INTERCESSOR	Elizabeth B	Janet H
COUNTING	Margaret R, Elizabeth B	Charles B, Daryl P
MORNING TEA	Cecilia (M), Dianne A, Jan G	Barbara (M) Margaret R, Michele M, Keith W