



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
18 July, 2021

Parish
Link

The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our worship today as we gather together as God's people to break open God's word and share at God's Holy table. Welcome also to our FACS families as we start our FACS services once more after almost one and a half years off due to the restrictions of COVID-19. While the focus at the FACS service will be the Ephesians passage, I would like to highlight a verse from Mark's Gospel, chapter six, verse 31, in which Jesus tells the disciples, after they have returned from their missionary journey to, "*Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.*" It is my firm belief that as Christians we need to have a right balance between 'doing' and 'resting.' Too often we hear that we need to do more: give more; evangelise more; serve more, and at times that is correct BUT the Scriptures are clear in our need to find a balance in life otherwise we burn out! We need to learn to attend Jesus – to spend time resting yes, but to also spend time just resting in the presence of the one who brings and gives life!

FAMILY and CHILDREN'S SERVICE



Sentence

'My sheep hear my voice,' says the Lord. 'I know them and they follow me; and I give them eternal life.' John 10.27, 28

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, author of our life and end of our pilgrimage: guide us by your word and Spirit amid all perils and temptations, that we may not wander from your way, but may run our course in safety until we come to our eternal rest in you; through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7.1-14a

¹ Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, ² the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' ³ Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.' ⁴ But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: ⁵ Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? ⁶ I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. ⁷ Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' ⁸ Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; ⁹ and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. ¹⁰ And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, ¹¹ from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. ¹² When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. ¹⁴ I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.

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

Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

² He will make me lie down in green pastures:

and lead me beside still waters.

³ He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

⁵ You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

⁶ Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life:

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2.11-22

¹¹ So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision' – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – ² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵ He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark, Chapter 6, verses 30-34, 53-56

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. ⁵³ When they had crossed

over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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



Years Mind

Nellie Berry, Adele Hearn, Jim Bartlett, Wallace Fowler, Doris Edwards, Marjorie Mason and Fr Ray Starling, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Points

The Church: Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda (Abp Laurent Mbanda); The Diocese of North Queensland (Bp Keith Joseph, Clergy & People); Victorian Council of Churches (Rev Fr Shenouda Boutros, President, Ian Smith, Executive Officer); St John's Bentleigh (David Powys); St James & St Peter Kilsyth/Montrose – Pastoral Services (Kate Prowd); Sunday Traditional / Holy Communion Service | St Matthews Pantom Hill with St Andrews (Bp Kate Prowd).

The Parish: Pray for Barbara P and our Play Group as it restarts.

The World: Pray for the government and people of South Africa.

The Nation: Pray for all fractured families and those at risk of violence.

Prayer of the Week

O God, you alone can order our unruly wills and affections: teach us to love what you command, and to desire what you promise, that, among the changes and chances of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Daily Readings

Monday	Exodus 14.5-18	Ps 24.7-10	Matthew 12.38-42
Tuesday	Exodus 14.21-15.1	Ps 78.11-15	Matthew 12.46-50
Wednesday	Exodus 16.1-5,9-15	Ps78.20-30	Matthew 13.1-9
Thursday	Exodus 19.1-2, 9-11, 16-20	Song of 3YM	Matthew 13.10-17
Friday	Exodus 20.1-17	Ps 19.7-14	Matthew 13.18-23
Saturday	Exodus 24.3-8	Ps 50.1-6	Matthew 13.24-30



*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*



AUSTRALIAN WELSH MALE CHOIR CONCERT

at ST PETER'S

2.00pm Saturday, July 24

Tickets \$25 and \$10 concession

Tickets available from the office or after the 9.30am service.

There is a beautiful soft scarf created by Jen Walker as a prize to be raffled at the concert. Please see Hilary for details.

STOP PRESS: There will be a notice on the website if Covid forces the cancellation of this concert. Please check the website or ring the office or Fr Shane if you are unsure.

MOTHERS' UNION

Next meeting Wednesday August 4 (not July 28). We will take part in the "Wave of Prayer". Don't forget to bring your item of interest to talk about.

MOTHERS' UNION ANNUAL FUNDRAISER SERVICE Sunday 8 August

We hope to have a morning tea with a trading table and raffle after the service. Envelopes will be available for donations towards Mothers' Union projects.

Preacher for the day will be **Reverend Anne Kennedy**, Provincial President of Anglican Mothers Union Australia.

STOP PRESS: if the service is unable to go ahead, Jan is planning to have an online raffle. Please ring Jan for more details: 0425757778.

(See colour version of this rug on the website.)



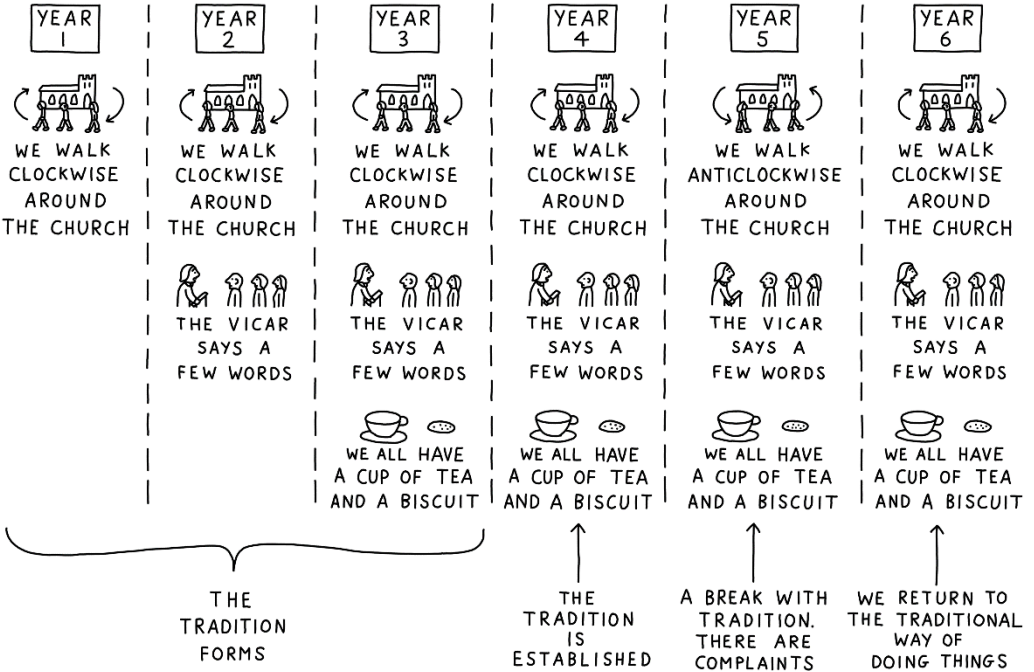
SUGGESTIONS FOR FOOD DONATIONS

Our food collection is now being regularly delivered to those in need. Please place your donations in the basket at the back of the church along with a bag if possible. Some suggestions are: baked beans, baby food, peanut butter, jam, honey, vegemite, long life milk, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, cooking oil, sugar, flour, canned meat, tuna, sardines, tinned fruit, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

TRADITION

HOW IT DEVELOPS



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After a church service, a minister said to a woman, "I noticed that your husband walked out in the middle of the service. I hope I didn't say anything that offended him." "I don't think so," the wife replied. "He's been walking in his sleep for years."

Week Ahead

SUN 18.7.21

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am & 10.00am FACs

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

MON 19.7.21

9.30-10.30am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

TUES 20.7.21

8.00-11.00am Men at Work

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

5.30-7.30pm Bellydancing, *hall*

WED 21.7.21

10.30am Eucharist

10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*

2.00pm Play Group set up, *hall*

8.00pm Choir practice, *undercroft*

THU 22.7.21

10.00am-2.00pm Office open

9.30-11.30 Play Group, *hall*

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

FRI 23.7.21

7.30am Eucharist

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 24.7.21

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

2.00pm Welsh Male Choir

SUN 25.7.21

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am and **9.30am** Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

For the Diary

July 31

Bumblebee Piano Concert

1.00-4.00pm

August 7

VMTA Concert

12.30-5.30pm

August 8

MU Annual Fundraiser Service

Preacher: Reverend Anne Kennedy

August 29

11.00am Combined Service

Celebration of St Aidan's Day
and the 7th birthday of the Chinese

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

Mission Statement

Sharing the Good News
Telling the story afresh
Expressing God's love
Serving the community
Nurturing and sharing faith
Equipping to serve

Vision

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

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Roster for 9.30am

	Today 18.7.21 FACS	Next week 25.7.21
SIDESPEOPLE	Michele M, Barbara P	Felicity H, Elizabeth B
SERVERS	<i>Not required</i>	Garry M, Sophia E, Kim C (c)
READERS	<i>Not required</i>	Lewis P, Keith W
INTERCESSOR	<i>Not required</i>	Sophia E
COUNTING	Lyn B, Elizabeth B	Margaret R, Charles B
MORNING TEA	<i>No morning tea</i>	<i>No morning tea</i>