



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
19 September, 2021

Parish  
Link

The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our online worship today as we gather together as God's people to break open God's word and share at God's Holy table. Over the last few weeks, we have been reading texts from Mark and James concerning Christian discipleship. They have been powerful readings urging us onwards; showing us what it means to be followers of Christ; people who not only believe in Jesus as the Son of God, but people who turn that belief into action. What Jesus is saying to the disciples, and to us who see him as the Messiah and have decided to follow, is that our focus, our concentration, our effort should not be on us personally getting ahead. We should not worry so much about ourselves, but more about others. Jesus is in his teaching to the disciples and to us combating the very real failure of humanity. Jesus is combating "pride" - the natural inclination of humans to be self-centred. Jesus is urging us to follow him and be God-centred. To take the focus off ourselves and see where God is calling, where God is leading, where God wants us to grow and love. Especially as we also consider our actions to safeguard our "common home".

In the strength of God we can hope to change the pride we all have by remembering our true dependence upon God for the life we have; we can prefer others to ourselves; seek to serve others; be open to others; live simple and honest and open lives.



The Sunday service will be live-streamed at 9.30am  
on Sunday morning.  
Please check the parish website for updates.  
The church building is closed for the present but prayer  
and fellowship continue!

**Sentence:** Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all. Mark 9.35

## Prayer of the Day

God and Father of all, you have taught us through your Son that the last shall be first, and have made a little child the measure of your kingdom: give us the wisdom from above, so that we may understand that in your sight the one who serves is the greatest of all. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**First Reading:** Proverbs 31.10-31

<sup>10</sup> A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. <sup>11</sup> The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. <sup>12</sup> She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. <sup>13</sup> She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. <sup>14</sup> She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. <sup>15</sup> She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. <sup>16</sup> She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. <sup>17</sup> She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. <sup>18</sup> She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. <sup>19</sup> She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. <sup>20</sup> She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. <sup>21</sup> She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. <sup>22</sup> She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. <sup>23</sup> Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. <sup>24</sup> She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. <sup>25</sup> Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. <sup>26</sup> She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. <sup>27</sup> She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. <sup>28</sup> Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: <sup>29</sup> 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' <sup>30</sup> Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. <sup>31</sup> Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

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

Psalm: 1

<sup>1</sup> Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly:  
**nor followed the way of sinners, nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.**

<sup>2</sup> But their delight is in the law of the Lord:  
**and on that law will they ponder day and night.**

<sup>3</sup> They are like trees planted beside streams of water:  
**that yield their fruit in due season.**

<sup>4</sup> Their leaves also shall not wither:  
**and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.**

<sup>5</sup> As for the ungodly, it is not so with them:  
**they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.**

<sup>6</sup> Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement:  
**nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.**

<sup>7</sup> For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous:  
**but the way of the ungodly shall perish.**

## Second Reading: James 3.1-12

<sup>1</sup> Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup> For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup> If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup> Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup> So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup> And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup> For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup> but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup> With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup> From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup> Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup> Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark, Chapter 9, starting at verse 30

## Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

<sup>30</sup> They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; <sup>31</sup> for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' <sup>32</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. <sup>33</sup> Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' <sup>34</sup> But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup> He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' <sup>36</sup> Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> 'Whoever welcomes one

such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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

### Years Mind

Madge Jamieson, Orm Johnston, Margaret Hart, Fr Richard Southey, Norman Langley, Nellie Stuckey Langley, and James Toussaint whose anniversaries occur at this time.



### Prayer Points

*The Church:* The Church of the Province of Uganda (Abp Stephen Kaziimba); The Diocese of Newcastle (Bp Peter Stuart, Asst Bps Charlie Murry, Sonia Roulston, Clergy & People); Defence Force Chaplains; St Paul's Anglican Church Frankston (Claudia Mauracher); St Andrew's Brighton (Pastoral Visit, Bp Paul Barker).

*The Parish:* Pray for our clergy, Fr Shane, Fr Alasdair and Reverend Esther.

*The World:* Pray for increased international understanding and communication.

*The Nation:* Give thanks for volunteers and those who work to benefit others.

### Prayer of the Week

Loving Father, whose Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for him: give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, and yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### ABM Pew Reflections

James warns us about how dangerous our tongues are – comparing them to a small fire that brings the whole forest down to ashes. May we always endeavour to use our speech to build others up, not to tear them down. Forgive us for any throw-away comments that cause long-term damage to others. Set a guard, O Lord, on my mouth: and keep the door of my lips. (Ps 141.3) Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of Central Africa, especially in Zambia.

### Daily Readings

Monday	Ezra 1.1-6	Ps 126	Luke 8.16-18
Tuesday	Ezra 6.6-7	Ps 122	Luke 8.19-21
Wednesday	Ezra 9.5-9	Ps 119.97-104	Luke 9.1-6
Thursday	Haggai 1.1-8	Ps 149	Luke 9.7-9
Friday	Haggai 1.15b-2.9	Ps 43	Luke 9.18-22
Saturday	Zechariah 2.5-9a, 14-15a	Ps 72.8-14	Luke 9.43b-45



If you have anything you would like included in the Parish Link Notices, please let Cecilia know in writing **before** Thursday at [anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com](mailto:anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com)

## FRIENDS OF ANGLICAN MUSIC

Message from Tim Clark: *It is hoped that we will be able to meet later in the year and, to this end, have made tentative plans to sing Evensong at St John's, East Malvern, on Sunday, 3rd October. If this is able to proceed, the rehearsal will be at 3:45pm, followed by Evensong at 6:00pm, with cheese and wine after the Service. You will be advised of more details closer to the date.*

## FOOD COLLECTION

Father Alasdair is now collecting food to be delivered to needy international students at Deakin Uni. Please bring food to the Undercroft on Saturday mornings between 10.00 and 11.00am. Suggestions include rice, spices, tinned fish, longlife milk, toiletries, cooking oil. Contact Father Alasdair for more information: 0438 323 059.



## SHOEBOX COLLECTION Samaritan's Purse

Only three weeks to go!

Please bring your **completed boxes to the Undercroft** on Saturday mornings between 10.00am and 11.00am. If you are unable to get there, please contact Jan who will pick them up from you. Phone Jan: 0425757778. Shoebox Sunday will go ahead online on October 10.

## SING A NEW SONG

*A workshop for clergy, choir leaders, choir members and anyone interested in extending their knowledge of church music in local parishes and communities.*

**Conducted by Stuart Connew**

Organist and Director of Music at the Anglican Parish of the Parks, St Silas and St Anselm, Albert Park (Melbourne)

**Saturday, 9 October 2021, 10:30am to 2.30pm**

**St Paul's Anglican Cathedral, Sale** 149 Cunningham Street

**BYO lunch**

**Cost:** cash only \$20, \$15 concession

Bookings/Inquiries to Susanna 0418 637 469

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# TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

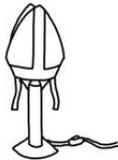
A grandma in America was showing the grandchildren an illustration of a Pilgrim Family on a Thanksgiving Day card that she had received. "The Pilgrim children enjoyed going to church with their mothers and fathers and praying to God," she said. One of the grandsons looked at her doubtfully and asked, "Then why is their father carrying that gun?"

## MITRES

USES DURING A PANDEMIC



MASK



LAMPSHADE



POPCORN  
HOLDER



HANGING  
BASKET



GLOVE



PIPING BAG



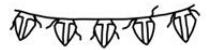
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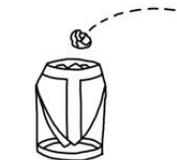
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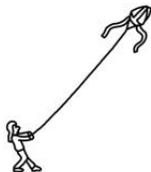
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BUNTING



WASTE PAPER  
BASKET



KITE



PUPPET



BELLOWS



RAINBOW

## Week Ahead

**SUN 19.9.21**

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**9.30am** Live-streamed service

**11.30am** Mandarin live-streamed service

**2.30pm** Dinka service

**All activities cancelled during lockdown**

**MON 20.9.21**

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

**6.30-8.30pm** Tai Chi *hall*

**TUES 21.9.21**

**9.00-1.00am** Men at Work

**8.30am-12.30pm** Office open

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

**WED 22.9.21**

**10.30am** Eucharist

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

**2.00pm** Play Group set up, *hall*

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

**THU 23.9.21**

**10.00am-2.00pm** Office open

**9.30-11.30** Play Group, *hall*

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

**FRI 24.9.21**

**7.30am** Eucharist

**5.30-9.30pm** Mandarin Prayer Group

**SAT 15.9.21**

**10.00-11.00am** Food collection, *Undercroft*

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

**SUN 26.9.21**

**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**9.30am** Live-streamed service

**11.30am** Mandarin live-streamed service

**2.30pm** Dinka service

## For the Diary

**October 3**

FACS Blessing of the pets  
Live-streamed

**October 4**

Francis of Assisi Day

**October 10**

Shoebox Sunday  
Live-streamed

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### **OUR 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.



## ST PETER'S

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### Office Hours:

Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm

Thu 10.00am – 2.00pm

### Reporting Child Abuse

All child safety concerns must be reported to  
Kooyooora 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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St Peter's

### Limited Roster for 9.30am service

	Today 19.9.21	Next week 26.9.21
SIDESPEOPLE	<i>Not required</i>	<i>TBC</i>
SERVERS	<i>As per lockdown team</i>	<i>TBC</i>
READERS	<i>As per lockdown team</i>	<i>TBC</i>
INTERCESSOR	<b>Janet H</b>	<b>Keith W</b>
COUNTING	<i>Not required</i>	<i>TBC</i>
MORNING TEA	<i>Not required</i>	<i>Not required</i>