



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL  
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany  
6 February 2022

Parish  
Link

The Vicar writes...

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today; in person and online. "Do not be afraid." We hear these words a lot in the Gospels, whether we pay attention to them or not. They reassure us, and they reassure Peter, and they help all of us, not just Peter, hear the next part, which is an invitation to follow Jesus and share this good news with all of God's children. "Don't be afraid," Jesus says. "From now on, you're going to be fishing for people." Next thing you know, Peter, James and John walk away from their boats, their sources of livelihood and security; they leave everything to follow Jesus. Of course, there is more than one way to approach this text. We might explore what it means to "strike out into the deep," when we're tired and convinced that no one's interested in the good news we offer, especially when our popular culture and the society around us offers such enticing, and very different, invitations. Our plea might be, "We've already been fishing these waters all night, Jesus, and we've come up empty!" "The deep" might represent those places we would rather not go, the places of discomfort and unfamiliarity, where we might get in over our heads. But let us remember that, in the church, we are never alone. We take these daring, risky steps together. We are called in this season of Epiphany to exercise our imagination, and our courage, and our trust, to live in radical openness to all the epiphanies all around us, all the wonders that challenge our everyday, measured, carefully controlled expectations. Perhaps the last thing those tired fishermen long ago were expecting was a showing of God's awesome power right there, at the end of another workday. The same might be said of our "workdays": that they hold the possibility of seeing God's hand at work in our lives and all around us. Someone has said that "Jesus still shows up and surprises us," and next thing you know, our lives are changed forever.

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Fifth Sunday after

**EPIPHANY**

## Sentence

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and was buried, and was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and appeared to many.

1 Corinthians 15.3–4

## Prayer of the Day

Most holy God, in whose presence angels serve in awe, and whose glory fills all heaven and earth: cleanse our unclean lips and transform us by your grace so that your word spoken through us may bring many to your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

## First Reading: Isaiah 6.1-8

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' <sup>4</sup> The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup> The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' <sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

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

## Psalm: 138

<sup>1</sup> I will give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart:

**even before the gods will I sing your praises.**

<sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name:

**because of your faithfulness and your loving-kindness,**

**for you have made your name and your word supreme over all things.**

<sup>3</sup> At a time when I called to you, you gave me answer:

**and put new strength within my soul.**

<sup>4</sup> All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord:

**for they have heard the words of your mouth;**

<sup>5</sup> And they shall sing of the ways of the Lord:

**that the glory of the Lord is great.**

<sup>6</sup> For though the Lord is exalted, he looks upon the lowly:

**and he comprehends the proud from afar.**

<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of danger, yet will you preserve my life:

**you will stretch out your hand against the fury of my enemies, and your right hand shall save me.**

<sup>8</sup> The Lord will complete his purpose for me:

**your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;  
do not forsake the work of your own hands.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup> through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. <sup>3</sup> For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke, Chapter 5, verses 1-11

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>1</sup> Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup> he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' <sup>5</sup> Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' <sup>6</sup> When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup> So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' <sup>11</sup> When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

## Years Mind

Jim Allen, J and H Pocket, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



## Prayer Points

*The Church:* The Church of Ireland; Anglicare Australia (Bp Chris Jones, Chair; Kasy Chambers, Exec Director); Korowa Anglican Girls' School (Helen Carmody, Principal; Kirsten WinkeU, Chaplain); St John's Camberwell (John Baldock, Helen Creed); Confirmation Service – St John's Highton — Pastoral Service (Abp Philip Freier); St Paul's Caulfield North – Pastoral Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

*The Parish:* Keep praying for Rev'd Esther as she volunteers for missions in Fiji.

*The World:* Continue to pray for the people of Tonga

*Nation:* Pray for those affected by floods and bushfires.

## Prayer of the Week

Father of all, who gave your only-begotten Son to take upon himself the form of a servant and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, that, sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Daily Readings

Monday	1 Kings 8.1-13	Ps 132.7-11	Mark 6.53-56
Tuesday	1 Kings 8.22-30	Ps 84.1-4	Mark 7.1-13
Wednesday	1 Kings 10.1-10	Ps 37.35-40	Mark 7.14-23
Thursday	1 Kings 11.4-13	Ps 106.32-39	Mark 7.24-30
Friday	1 Kings 11.29-12.9	Ps 81.10-16	Mark 7.31-37
Saturday	1 Kings 12.26-13.34	Ps 106.2--24	Mark 8.1-10



*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)*

## CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

I have now contacted some of you who volunteer at St Peter's about completing the Level 1 safe ministry training. Thank you for doing this and please send me a copy of your certificate so I can keep our records up-to-date. (Many thanks to those who have already done it!)

Please feel free to talk to me about it if you have any concerns or questions and I will do my best to assist. We can do this in person if needed and in that case, you will not need to use the computer yourself. *Cecilia*

## ANGLICAN IDENTITY IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

**Saturday 26 February 2022 | 9.30am –3.30pm** Trinity College, Parkville

\$50 | \$35 concession (pensioners and theological students)

This seminar looks at what might be entailed in being and living as a genuinely broad church, which is much more varied than its historical roots in the Church of England.

For more information and to register go to [www.trybooking.com/BVMVD](http://www.trybooking.com/BVMVD), or email to [theologyevents@trinity.edu.au](mailto:theologyevents@trinity.edu.au) or call **03 9348 7127**.

## MOTHERS UNION

Members, please note, our meetings will resume **Wed 23 March**. Reverend Anne Kennedy will be giving us a Lenten talk.

On 24th Feb at 1.30pm, Glen Waverley MU and Caritas are celebrating their 60th birthday. Anyone wanting to go please let Jan know so we can organise transport.

## HOME WANTED FOR PET BIRD

A young bird needs a home. This baby pigeon was rescued with a broken wing and restored to health. Unfortunately, it cannot fly properly so must remain a pet. It is friendly and is good company. Anyone who can help, please contact Cecilia in the office.

## GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

This is a new addition to our weekly bulletin to involve and encourage us to share our environmental awareness. Please help by sending in any ideas (two or three lines) to the office email or give to Cecilia or the Vicar in writing. Composting, recycling, gardening, household waste, lighting... any ideas or practical advice is welcome! Longer pieces could be used in the Good News or other format.

**Tip:** Aldi have a bin for accepting used batteries and Officeworks collect used toner cartridges.

## 2022 LENTEN STUDY

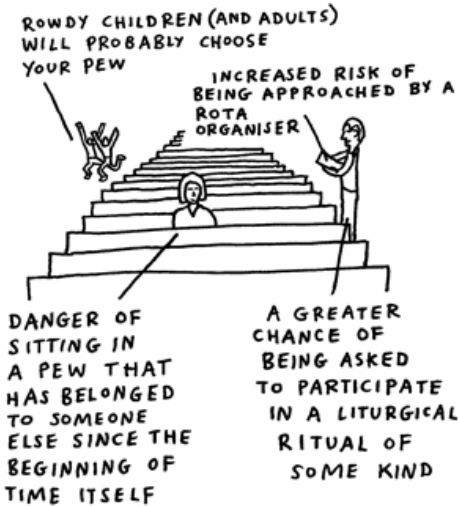
The Vicar is holding a Lenten Study beginning on **March 5 at 10.30 - 11.30am**. This study will continue for six weeks, concluding on April 9 and will be held in the Undercroft. Please sign up on the list at the back of the church if you are interested. The study book, *Embracing Justice* will be made available for \$25.

# TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

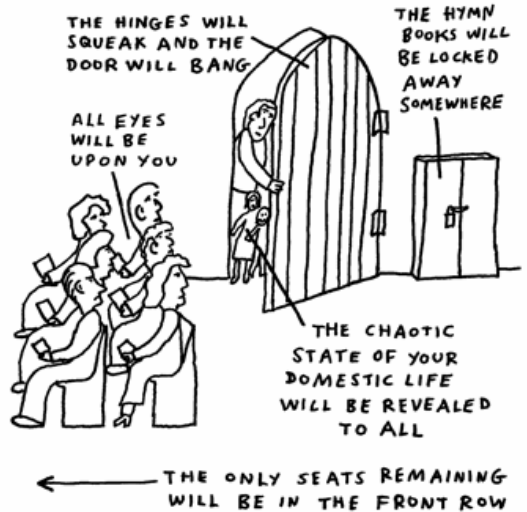
A woman who lived next door to a preacher was puzzled by his personality change. At home he was shy, quiet and retiring, but in the church he was a real fire orator, rousing the masses in the name of God. It was as if he were two different people. One day she asked him about the dramatic transformation that came over him when he preached. Ah, he said, That's my altar ego.

## ARRIVING AT CHURCH

### THE PERILS OF ARRIVING AT CHURCH TOO EARLY:



### THE DANGERS OF ARRIVING AT CHURCH TOO LATE:



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## Week Ahead

**SUN 6.02.22**

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

**8.00am Eucharist**

**9.30am** Live and live-streamed service

**11.30am** Mandarin service live and streamec

**2.30pm** Dinka service

**MON 7.02.22**

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

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

**TUES 8.02.22**

**9.00-1.00am** Men at Work

**8.30am-12.30pm** Office open

**6.00-8.00pm** Bellydancing, *hall*

**WED 9.02.22**

**10.30am** Eucharist

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

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

**8.00pm** Choir practice, *Undercroft*

**THU 10.02.22**

**10.00am-2.00pm** Office open

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

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

**FRI 11.02.22**

**7.30am** Eucharist

**5.30-9.30pm** Mandarin Prayer Group

**SAT 12.02.21**

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

**SUN 13.02.22**

**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

**8.00am Eucharist**

**9.30am** Live and streamed service

**11.30am** Mandarin service live and streamed

**2.30pm** Dinka service

## For the Diary

**8 February**

Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm,  
*Undercroft*

**2 March**

Ash Wednesday

**4 March**

World Day of Prayer, 7.30pm  
St Paul's Lutheran Church, Box Hill Sth

**6 March**

First day of Lent Study  
10.00am, *Undercroft*

**19 March**

VMTA concert all day, 9am-6pm  
Saturday, in church

**23 March**

Mothers Union Meeting, U/croft

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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.



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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  
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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St Peter's

## Roster for 9.30am service

	<b>Today 6.2.22</b>	<b>Next week 13.2.22</b>
SIDESPEOPLE	Rosemary S, Ken McD	Martin F, Sandra L
SERVERS	Michele M, Sophia E, Garry M	Elizabeth B, Sophia E, Kim (c)
READERS	Margaret D, Michele M	Garry P, Conrad H
INTERCESSOR	Elizabeth B	Keith W
COUNTING	Ken McD, Hilary B	Elizabeth B, Margaret R
MORNING TEA	<b>Elizabeth B</b> , Laurence L, Lyn B	<b>Rosemary S</b> , Peter W, Janet H