



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

17 April 2022

EASTER DAY

Parish
Link

The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our worship today on Easter Day! Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! A real stumbling block to faith for many is the question: 'How can an all-loving and all-powerful God allow suffering and evil in the world? It's a very-real question for all who suffer violence. The writer Elie Wiesel describes in his book 'Night' the hanging of a boy he witnessed in Auschwitz. When someone asked 'Where is God now?' a voice within him replied, 'He is here. He is hanging here on the gallows.' And this, of course, is the meaning of Good Friday, so called because this is the day God entered the suffering of humanity and all of creation, through the death of his Son Jesus who was nailed to a cross.

Through this most cruel and agonising of deaths, Jesus entered our suffering – and allowed himself to experience all the terror and evil of such a slow and painful death. Through this great act of self-sacrifice Jesus demonstrated his supreme love for all humankind, and in the deepest personal way for you, and me, and indeed every human being. But the darkness of evil and death did not overcome the light of Jesus. As St John says in the prologue to the Gospel, "The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not overcome it" (Gospel of John, Chapter 1 verse 5). One of the most beautiful and moving services of Easter Day is the Vigil service, with the rising of the Sun dispelling the darkness of night, and the lighting of the Easter fire, and then the Easter Candle, to symbolise the light of Christ. An ancient prayer of the Church, the Benedictus, captures the profound joy of this coming of the Light:

In the tender compassion of our God:
the dawn from on high shall break up upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness
And the shadow of death:

And to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Jesus said "I am the light of the world, and whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (Gospel of John, Chapter 8 verse 12). Easter is an invitation from the living, risen Christ to open our hearts to the light of his love, so as to dispel the darkness of whatever is holding us back from living by this light, and living as we are truly meant to be. May the light of Christ warm our lives and guide us into the way of peace this Easter, and may we always have the joy of knowing the Risen Jesus, our Saviour and Redeemer!

Happy Easter!

Sentence: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia! 1 Corinthians 5.7–8

Prayer of the Day

God of glory, fill your Church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection, that, in the midst of this sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, raised to new life with Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 10.34-43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

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

Psalm: 118.1-2, 118.14-24

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: **his mercy endures for ever.**

² Let Israel now proclaim: **that his mercy endures for ever.**

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my song: **and has become my salvation.**

¹⁵ The sounds of joy and deliverance: **are in the tents of the righteous.**

¹⁶ The right hand of the Lord does mighty things:

the right hand of the Lord raises up.

¹⁷ I shall not die but live: **and proclaim the works of the Lord.**

¹⁸ The Lord has disciplined me hard: **but he has not given me over to death.**

¹⁹ Open me the gates of righteousness:

and I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord: **the righteous shall enter it.**

²¹ I will praise you, for you answered me: **and have become my salvation.**

²² The stone that the builders rejected: **has become the head of the corner.**

²³ This is the Lord's doing: **and it is marvellous in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.19-26

¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John, Chapter 20, beginning at Verse 1

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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



Years Mind

Daniel Chamberlain, John Bird, Neil Chamberlain, Jean Senior, Mary Lines, Nancy Flowers and Doug Mitchell, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Points

The Church: The Church of Pakistan (United); The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff Smith, Asst Bps Denise Ferguson, Timothy Harris, Christopher McLeod; Clergy & People); Anglican Development Fund; St George's Ivanhoe East (John Sanderson, Linda Fiske, Richard Wilson); All Saints Rosebud with St Katherines McCrae - Pastoral Visit (Bp Paul Barker); Parish of Grovedale/Mt Duneed - Pastoral Visit (Bp Kate Prowd).

The Parish: Give thanks that we can worship together at St Peter's this Easter.

The World: Pray for those who are persecuted for their Christian faith.

The Nation: Pray for victims of war in Syria, Yemen and Ukraine.

Daily Readings

Monday	Acts 2.14, 22-32	Ps 16	Matthew 28.8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2.36-41	Ps 33.4-9	John 20.11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3.1-10	Ps 105.1-7	Luke 24.13-35
Thursday	Acts 3.11-26	Ps 8	Luke 24.35-48
Friday	Acts 4.1-12	Ps 118.21-29	John 21.1-14
Saturday	Acts 4.13-21	Ps 118.14-19	Mark 16.9-15

Prayer of the Week

Lord of all life and power, who, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise, honour and thanksgiving, now and for all eternity. **Amen**



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



GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Trade your plastic toothbrush for a bamboo one. Turn off the tap while you brush your teeth and you could save up to 30 litres of water a day.

MOTHERS' UNION

Our next meeting is in Wed 27th April 1.30pm in the Undercroft, Speaker Cathy Jones. "An Insight into Health Care".

FROM KEN McDONALD

Thank you from Gwen and Ken for the best wishes for her recovery from a fall. Ken also wished to thank everyone for the 90th birthday wishes. Celebrations are being held over.

TESSELAAR'S BULB DRIVE

Thank you to all who could support our Tesselaar's Bulb Drive. Do enjoy your blooming beauties over winter and spring. Our profit has been \$238.40.

ST PETERS UNDER COVID 19: YEARS OF SORROW, YEARS OF JOY

Coming out of the lockdowns of 2020 and 2021, the book, Years of Sorrow, Years of Joy, is a wonderful collection of thought-provoking and enjoyable pieces of writing and art. It includes reflective and encouraging sermons from the vicar, beautifully written articles on a wide variety of subjects from Sophia Errey, as well as reflections from other parishioners. This was our parish during the time of Covid.

It is available now and will be printed to order. The cost is \$15. To order, simply put your name on the order list at the back of the church.

ACT FOR PEACE GARDEN PARTY Refugee fundraiser

Date: Saturday 30 April 2022

Time: 2.00 – 5.30pm

Where: Stonestrow, 62 Taylor Road, Mooroolbark

Entry \$10 (includes afternoon tea)

See noticeboard for more details.

(Act for Peace is the humanitarian arm of the International Humanitarian Agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia.)

THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE

This operetta will be performed at St Peter's on Saturday, May 7 at 2.00pm by the Singularity choir. This will be a chance to have a delightful afternoon's entertainment while raising funds for our parish outreach at the same time.

Tickets \$20 available from the office

Put the date in your diary now! Queries: Hilary Blakeman cchrb@hotmail.com



THE FIFTH ROBIN SHARWOOD LECTURE IN CHURCH LAW

Wednesday 18 May 2022, 7.30pm

Law of the State and Religious Institutions. Cause for Concern or Reform?

The fifth Robin Sharwood Lecture will be delivered by **Mr Michael Shand AM QC.**

Where: Craig Auditorium, Gateway Building, Trinity College,
100 Royal Parade, Parkville

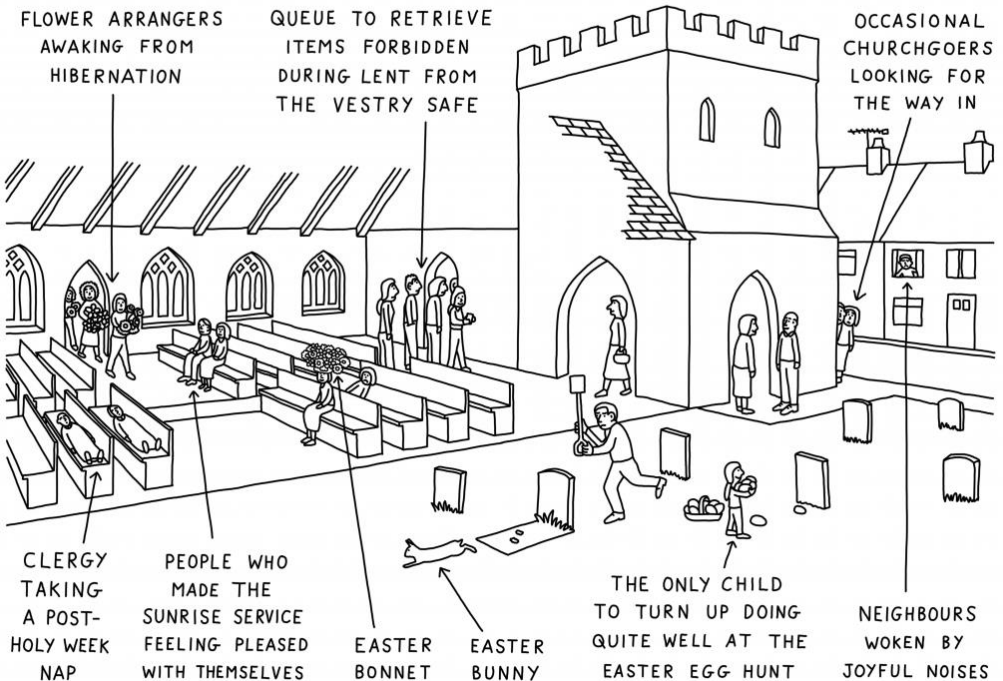
Light refreshments will be served following the Lecture. Attendance is free of charge but you are asked to register at <https://www.trybooking.com/BXJCF>

Enquiries to E: events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au T: 03 9348 7527 (Trinity College)

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

Easter: time to throw caution to the wind and put all your eggs in one basket.

THE EASTER SERVICE



Week Ahead

EASTER SUNDAY 17.04.22

6.00am Eucharist, **9.30am** Eucharist
9.30-11.00am Farsi Service, *St Aidan's*
11.30am Mandarin service
2.30pm Dinka service
2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin,
St Aidan's

MON 18.04.22

9.30-10.30am Tai Chi *hall*
6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

TUES 19.04.22

9.00-1.00am Men at Work
8.30am-12.30pm Office open
6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing, *hall*

WED 20.04.22

10.30am Eucharist
10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*
7.30pm Eucharist
8.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 21.04.22

10.00am-2.00pm Office open
9.30-11.30 Play Group, *hall*
6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*
7.30pm Celebration of Last Supper

FRI 22.04.22

9.30am Eucharist
5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group
7.30pm Chinese service

SAT 23.04.21

9.30-10.00am Prayers in church
10am-1.30pm Saturday School, *hall* and
Undercroft

SUN 24.04.22

8.00am Eucharist, **9.30am** Eucharist
9.30-11.00am Farsi Service, *St Aidan's*
11.30am Mandarin service
2.30pm Dinka service
2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin,
St Aidan's

For the Diary

April 23

Piano concert 6.30-8.45pm

April 30 Sat

Flute Guild concert 3.00-5.30pm

May 7

Pirates of Penzance
Performance at St Peter's, 2.00pm
Tickets available \$20

July 3

Patronal Festival



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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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Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm

Thu 10.00am – 2.00pm

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.

Reporting Child Abuse

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

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St Peter's
*Please use
for
morning
tea*

Roster for 9.30am service

	Today 17.3.22 9.30am	Next week
SIDESPEOPLE	Barbara P, Michele M	Rosemary S, Sandra L
SERVERS	Rosemary S, Sophia E, <i>Kim C</i>	Elizabeth B, Sophia E, <i>Garry M</i>
READERS	Judy J, Hilary P	Kim C, Martin F
INTERCESSOR		Elizabeth B
COUNTING	Lyn B, Ted G	Margaret R, TBC
MORNING TEA	Cecilia , Margaret R, Jennifer F, Jan G	Barbara P, Michele M, Dianne A, Keith W