



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL
29 May 2022
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Parish Link

The Vicar writes...



Welcome to our in person and online worship today! A special welcome is extended also to Father Alasdair who is guest preacher today. Today is also the first of three important Sundays in the liturgical year. It is in a sense a crash course on our understanding of God. Today is the first Sunday after the Ascension so the focus is of course Jesus. Next Sunday is the celebration of Pentecost, the festival marking the arrival of God's Spirit, and the following Sunday is Trinity Sunday, the only Sunday in the Christian year purely celebrating a doctrine of the faith: God as One and God as Three – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As we ponder the Ascension we are reminded in John's Gospel that while Jesus is no longer with us in person he is with us in Spirit and not only that but that we are filled with *love*. Not just any type of love but the love of God. May that love be known among us here so that the entire world may come to know of the glory and compassion and grace of our God.

I will be away for the next four Sundays as I take some Long Service leave and visit family in Indonesia and take a study trip to Israel. Father Alasdair will be locum in my absence.

4th Sunday of the month: retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: God has raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named. Ephesians 1.20–21

Prayer of the Day

God of majesty, you led the Messiah through suffering into risen life, and took him up into the glory of heaven: clothe us with the power promised from on high, and send us forth to the ends of the earth as heralds of repentance and witnesses of Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who lives with you now and always in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 16.16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. ¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. ²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' ³¹ They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

Psalm: 97

¹ The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice: **let the multitude of islands be glad.**

² Clouds and darkness are round about him:

righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

³ Fire goes before him: **and burns up his enemies on every side.**

⁴ His lightnings light the world: **the earth sees it and quakes.**

⁵ The mountains melt like wax before his face:

from before the face of the Lord of all the earth.

⁶ The heavens have proclaimed his righteousness:

and all peoples have seen his glory.

⁷ They are ashamed, all those who serve idols and glory in mere nothings:

all gods bow down before him.

⁸ Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced:

because of your judgements, O God.

⁹ For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth:

you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰ The Lord loves those that hate evil: **the Lord guards the life of the faithful,**

and delivers them from the hand of the ungodly.

¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous: **and joy for the true of heart.**

¹² Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous: **and give thanks to his holy name.**

Second Reading: Revelation 22.12-22

¹² 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' ¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵ Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and fornicators and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practises falsehood. ¹⁶ 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' ¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. ¹⁸ I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this book; ¹⁹ if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away that person's share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book. ²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! ²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John, Chapter 17, beginning at Verse 20

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

²⁰ 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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

Prayer of the Week

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to have ascended into the heavens, so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Years Mind

Gwendoline Wilson, Sam Klay, Joan Marks, Annie Daniel, Ida Hancock, John Dymond, John Payne, Eleanor Andrewartha, Lynette Cook, Leonard Allen, and Stanley Mather, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Grafton (Bp Murray Harvey, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of Kew (Greg Allinson); St Aidan's Parkdale (Daniel Gebert); St John's Bentleigh - Pastoral Visit (Abp Philip Freier); St John's Malvern East - Pastoral Visit (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

The Parish: Pray for Fr Shane as he prepares for his long service leave.

The World: Pray for all Anglicans as they commence Thy Kingdom Come prayers.

The Nation: Pray for a fair and kind society in Australia.

Daily Readings

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| Tuesday | Acts 20.17-27 | Ps 68.7-14 | John 16.29-33 |
| Wednesday | Acts 20.28-38 | Ps 68.28-35 | John 17.1-11 |
| Thursday | Acts 22.30, 23.6-11 | Ps 16.1-6 | John 17.11-19 |
| 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 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

Use cold water when washing your clothes. Hot water will actually set stains, and cold water will get your clothes just as clean.

MOTHERS UNION MEETING *Postponed till* 15th June 12 noon

At the home of Helen Jones, 1/7 Fortune St, Box Hill North.

THANK YOU

To everyone who helped with items, prepping foods and being there on election day. We have remnant home produce for sale for those who have missed out. Expected profit is close to \$2,000.

THY KINGDOM COME 2022 | 26th May - 5th June



Congregation members are encouraged to commit to praying for 5 people during the 11 days. We are praying that the Spirit will inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks.

Prayer approaches:

- As you breathe in and out five times name your five before the Lord. Pray 'Come Holy Spirit ... breathe Your breath into me that I may be Your new creation, and breathe into life those I hold before You.
- In what ways may the fire of the Spirit remake you? As you name your five before the Lord let the truth that the fire of the Spirit can bring about a change within them that is only possible by God kindle your hope.
- Are you ready to trust the Holy Spirit to enable you to speak about the good news in ways others can understand? As you speak the names of your five friends pray that they might hear God speaking their names

A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE The Melbourne Staff Band Sat 4th June @ 7:30pm

A wonderful evening of music and songs from the most loved musicals including Les Miserables, Phantom of the Opera, Cats, and The Sound of Music. Special guests for the concert are Danielle Matthews and Michael Cormick. George Wood Performing Arts Centre, Yarra Valley Grammar School, Kalinda Road, Ringwood. Tickets - Adults \$25, Concession \$20 - available online via www.salvationarmy.org.au/MSB

✚ TAIZÉ-STYLE SERVICE

A service in the style of Taizé will be held at **7.30pm, Sunday 29 May**

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

A client brought a litter of golden retriever puppies to my veterinary clinic for inoculations and worming. As the look-alike pups squirmed over and under one another in their box, I realized it would be difficult to tell the treated ones from the rest. I turned on the tap, wet my fingers, and moistened each dog's head when I had finished. After the fourth puppy, I noticed my hitherto talkative client had grown silent. As I sprinkled the last pup's head, the woman leaned forward and whispered, "I didn't know they had to be baptized."

LOYALTY CARDS

A PROPOSAL FOR A NATIONAL REWARD SCHEME

SPECIAL STAMPS
ARE AWARDED
FOR ATTENDANCE,
ANSWERING QUESTIONS
IN CHILDRENS'
TALKS ETC



POINTS CAN
BE TRADED-IN
FOR PRIZES
AT CHURCHES
EVERYWHERE



A SERMON PREACHED IN THE
PRIVACY OF YOUR OWN HOME



A HYMN-CHANGE
OF YOUR CHOICE



A TOUR OF LAMBETH
PALACE (WITH TEA)



SOME SPECIAL
STICKERS

Week Ahead

SUNDAY 29.05.22

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*
7.30pm Service in the style of Taizé

MON 30.05.22

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

TUES 31.05.22

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

WED 1.06.22

10.30am Eucharist
10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*
8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 2.06.22

9.00am-1.00pm Office open
6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

FRI 3.06.22

7.30am Eucharist
5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 4.06.21

9.30-10.00am Prayers in church

PENTECOST SUNDAY 5.06.22

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

May 26 – June 5

Thy Kingdom Come Prayer Program

June 4

VMTA set up and concert 2.00-5.30pm

June 11

GWS set up and concert 4.00-10.00pm

June 15

Mothers' Union Meeting 12 noon

July 3

Patronal Festival
Combined service 11.00am

July 23

Bumblebee set up and concert 1.30-4.30pm

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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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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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Reporting Child Abuse

All child safety concerns must be reported to

Kooyoora Professional Standards
1800 135 246

Roster for 9.30am service

| | Today 29.5.22 | Next week 5.6.22 |
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| SIDESPEOPLE | Sandra L, Noel W | Dianne A, Ted G |
| SERVERS | Rosemary S, Judy J, Kim C | Judy J, Michele M, Kim C |
| READERS | Kim C, Conrad H | Elizabeth B, Jen Walker |
| INTERCESSOR | Elizabeth B | Janet H |
| COUNTING | Charles B, Michele M | Elizabeth B, Hilary B |
| MORNING TEA | Elizabeth B , Jan G, Lyn B, Helen Jones | Elizabeth B , Laurence L, Lyn B |

St Peter's is part of the Anglican Church of Australia and the worldwide Anglican Communion.

St Peter's church is on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation and we acknowledge them as the traditional custodians of this land.