



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

7 August 2022

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Parish Link

The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our worship today. Today marks the start of our 'Stewardship Campaign.' Over the next few weeks leading up to 'Thanksgiving Sunday' (4 September) the focus of the preaching will be stewardship – our response to and care of the many blessings God has richly blessed us with. I encourage us all to continue to pray for God's guidance of our parish in the year and years to come. There will be a stewardship pack to pick up on Sunday 28 August for you to read, fill in, and return on Thanksgiving Sunday - 4 September. We are reminded once again in the Gospel this morning from Luke of two important features of the life of a disciple. First, we are not to be afraid! We are to put our trust and hope, and picking up on the Hebrews reading, our faith in the one who created us, saved us, and gives us life. And second, we are to give ourselves wholly over to the Lordship of Christ, for where our treasure is, there our heart will be also. As we reflect upon over the coming month our use of our time, talents, and treasure, may we find our hearts increasingly fixed on God.



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

Sentence: Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Matthew 24.42, 44

Prayer of the Day

Kindle in our hearts, Father, the same faith that impelled Abraham to set out from his home and to live as a pilgrim in a foreign land. As we, like him, look for the city that none but you can design and build, keep us watchful for your Son's coming, that we may be found faithful stewards of all that you have entrusted to us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 1.1 and 10-20

¹ The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. ¹⁰ Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! ¹¹ What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. ¹² When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; ¹³ bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation – I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. ¹⁴ Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. ¹⁵ When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. ¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, ¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. ¹⁸ Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. ¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; ²⁰ but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

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

Psalms: 50.1-8 and 23-24

¹ The Lord our God, the Mighty One, has spoken: **and summoned the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting in the west.**

² From Zion, perfect in beauty: **God has shone out in glory.**

³ Our God is coming, he will not keep silent:

before him is devouring fire, and tempest whirls about him.

⁴ He calls to the heavens above: **and to the earth, so he may judge his people.**

⁵ 'Gather to me my faithful ones:

those who by sacrifice made a covenant with me.'

⁶ The heavens shall proclaim his righteousness: **for God himself is judge.**

⁷ 'Listen my people, and I will speak:

O Israel, I am God your God, and I will give my testimony.

⁸ 'It is not for your sacrifices that I reprove you:

for your burnt-offerings are always before me.

²³ 'O consider this, you who forget God:

lest I tear you in pieces, and there be no one to save you.

²⁴ 'He honours me who brings sacrifice of thanksgiving:

and to him who keeps to my way I will show the salvation of God.'

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1: 1-25

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the exiles of the dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, ² who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood: May grace and peace be yours in abundance. ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴ and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷ so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. ¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace intended for you made careful search and inquiry, ¹¹ inquiring about the time and circumstances that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated when it testified in advance to the sufferings intended for Christ and the subsequent glory. ¹² It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look! ¹³ Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. ¹⁴ Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. ¹⁵ Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct, ¹⁶ for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." ¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God. ²² Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth^[a] so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³ You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. ²⁴ For "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls,²⁵ but the word of the Lord endures forever.” That word is the good news that was announced to you.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke, Chapter 12, beginning at Verse 32

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³² ‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailling treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ³⁹ ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

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

Prayer of the Week

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech you, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Years Mind

Arthur Cale, Ronald Braybrook, Douglas Murray, Lorna Berkeley, Don Daniel Elizabeth Watkins, and Robert Wallace, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: The Church in the Province of the West Indies (Bp John Holder); The Diocese of North West Australia (Bishopric vacant, Clergy & People); Angliss Health Services; St John’s Camberwell (John Baldock, Helen Creed).

The Parish: Give thanks for the work being done to restore our chapel.

The World: Pray for all refugees and for the work of the United Nations.

The Nation: Pray for all those in prison and for those who work in the prison service.

ABM Pew Reflections

St Luke writes that Jesus tells us to be alert. But alert for what? The answer is for the coming of the master. So we should not be wasting our time doing things that

do not prepare for that arrival. We should be profligate in loving others as we love ourselves. That is what Jesus wants us to do. Jesus Christ, King of love, help me to prepare for your coming by loving others as you would want. May love of others become a central characteristic of my life.

Daily Readings

Monday	Ezekiel 1.2-5, 24-28c	Ps 148.1-6	Matthew 17.22-27
Tuesday	Ezekiel 2.8-3.4	Ps 119.97-104	Matthew 18.1-5, 10-14
Wednesday	Ezekiel 9.1-7, 10.18-22	Ps 113	Matthew 18.15-20
Thursday	Ezekiel 12.1-12	Ps 78.55-60	Matthew 18.21-19.1
Friday	Ezekiel 16.59-63	A Song of Isaiah APBA p.391	Matthew 19.3-12
Saturday	Ezekiel 18.1-13, 30-32	Ps 51.10-14	Matthew 19.13-15



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

We are wearing masks at St Peter's, in line with recommendations from the Diocese.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Scrunch up your aluminium foil into the size of a small fist then place it in the recycling bin. Or, you can put smaller pieces of foil into a container that goes into the yellow bin. Put your foil trays, and pie plates into the recycling bin loose.

FRIENDS OF ANGLICAN MUSIC "EVENSONG"

Saturday, 27th August, 4.00pm [St Faith's Anglican Church](#) 6-8 Charles St, Glen Iris (formerly Burwood)

Rehearsal will be at 2:00pm This will be followed by High Tea and then the **Annual General Meeting**.

MOTHERS' UNION MEETING August 24

Our next meeting will be Wednesday 24 August at 1.30pm in the Undercroft. Fr Shane will be the speaker. The Bowl of Remembrance will be available in memory of our members: Gwen McDonald and Joan Simmons, who passed away in July. These donations will go to a fund for Northern Outreach to support MU members travel in Northern Aust.

CONDOLENCE CARD FOR THE FAMILY OF FATHER GRAHAM REYNOLDS

A card will be available in the Undercroft after the 9.30am service today, to sign, or write a short message, from the parishioners of St Peter's, to be sent to Graham's family.

INVITATION

The Annual Fundraiser Service
ST PETER'S MOTHERS' UNION BOX HILL
Sunday August 21, 9.30am

Preacher: Rev'd Anne Kennedy

This will be followed by morning tea.

A trading table and the Travelling Suitcase will be available.

Raffle tickets \$2 or 3 for \$5

Envelopes will be available for donations towards MU projects

Further information: Jan 0425757778

FASHION PARADE (fundraiser in support of Box Hill Red Cross)

New season's clothing and great specials from Cliché Clothing Company

Date: August 9 Time: 10.30am

Place: St Claire Catholic Church hall, cnr Killara St

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

A mother was teaching her three-year-old the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime she repeated it after her mother. One night she said she was ready to go solo. The mother listened with pride as her daughter carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer. "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some E-mail. Amen"

I have found a solution my glasses fogging up from wearing a mask. I wear a monocle, they only fog up half as much!



Week Ahead

SUNDAY 7.08.22

8.00am Eucharist, **9.30am** Eucharist
11.30am Mandarin service
2.30pm Dinka service
2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin, *St Aidan's*
5.00am Farsi Service, *St Aidan's*

MON 8.08.22

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

TUES 9.08.22

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

WED 10.08.22

10.30am Eucharist
9.30-11.30am Play group (*kindergarten*)
10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*
1.30pm World Day of Prayer
8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 11.08.22

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

FRI 12.08.22

7.30am Eucharist
5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 13.08.21

10.30am-1.30pm Saturday School, *hall* and
Undercroft

SUNDAY 14.08.22

8.00am Eucharist, **9.30am** Eucharist
11.30am Mandarin service
2.30pm Dinka service
2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin, *St Aidan's*
5.00pm Farsi Service, *St Aidan's*

For the Diary

August 20

Bettine McCaughan Vocal Scholarship
Set up and concert 3.15-9.00pm

August 21 Sunday

MU Annual Fundraiser Service

August 24

MU Meeting 1.30pm Undercroft

August 26

Australian Church Women Meeting
Undercroft 10.15am

28 August (Sunday)

Taizé-style Service, 6.30pm, *St Aidan's*

3 September Saturday

Talk by Fr Shane about his Israel trip
2.00pm

September 9 Friday

Box Hill Historical Society Quiz Night
7.30pm. \$20 per head, *hall*

September 10

Set up and concert VMTA
9.00am – 6.00pm

September 11 Sunday

Final Sunday service with the Fr Shane

November 19 Saturday

Australian Welsh Male Choir
2.00pm, *St Peter's*

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 near 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.

Reporting Child Abuse

All child safety concerns must be reported to

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1800 135 246

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Roster for Sunday 9.30am service

	Today 7.08.22	Next week 14.08.22
SIDESPEOPLE	Sandra L, <i>TBC</i>	Noel W, Elizabeth B
SERVERS	Michele M, Judy J, <i>Kim C</i>	Michele M, Judy J, <i>Kim C</i>
READERS	Conrad H, Garry P	Elizabeth B, Jen W
INTERCESSOR	Keith W	Sophia E, Rosemary S
COUNTING	Hilary B, Michele M	Ken McD, Elizabeth B
MORNING TEA	Elizabeth B , Lyn B, Laurence L	Rosemary S , Peter W, Janet H

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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.