



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

21 January 2024

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Parish Link



Hymns: Introit: 583 • Psalm: said • Gradual: 598 •
Offertory: 643 • Communion: 589 Final: sheet

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel. Mark 1.15

Prayer of the Day: Bountiful God, through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin, to believe the good news, and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom: teach us, like Christ's first apostles, to hear the call to discipleship, and, forsaking old ways, to proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer for the new vicar: Bountiful God, we thank you for choosing a faithful pastor to serve as Vicar of our Parish. We pray for Reverend Victor Fan as he prepares to take up his appointment. Give us warm and generous hearts as we prepare to welcome him and his family into our community. **Amen**

First Reading: Jonah 3.1-10

¹ The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ² 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' ³ So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴ Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' ⁵ And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ⁶ When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷ Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: 'By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. ⁸ Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. ⁹ Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.' ¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

Psalms: 62.5-12

⁵ Nevertheless, my soul, wait in silence for God: for from him comes my hope.

⁶ **He only is my rock and my salvation: my strong tower,
so that I shall not be moved.**

⁷ In God is my deliverance and my glory: God is my strong rock and my shelter.

⁸ **Trust in him at all times, O my people:
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.**

⁹ The children of Adam are but breath, the children of earth are a lie:

place them in the scales and they fly upward, they are as light as air.

¹⁰ **Put no trust in extortion, do not grow worthless by robbery:
if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.**

¹¹ God has spoken once, twice have I heard him say: that power belongs to God,

¹² **That to the Lord belongs a constant goodness:
for you reward each one of us according to our works.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7.29-31

²⁹ I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰ and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹ and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark, Chapter 1, beginning at verse 14

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵ and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.' ¹⁶ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

Prayer of the Week: Bountiful God, through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin, to believe the good news, and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom: teach us, like Christ's first apostles, to hear the call to discipleship, and, forsaking old ways, to proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Years Mind

Gordon Tiller, Bertram de Zilwa, Helen Burkitt, and Clive Jackson, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: St John Chrysostom Anglican Church Brunswick West (Michael Flynn); The Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester, Clergy & People); Anglican Early Childhood Services; The Church of South India (The Revd Dharmaraj Rasalam); St Peter's Brighton Beach – pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker);

The Parish: Pray for Rev'd Esther as she travels to visit her family.

The World: Pray for those in war-torn countries.

The Nation: Pray for those struggling with floods and fires.

Daily Readings

Monday	2 Samuel 15.16-23	Ps 50.20-24	Mark 2.18-22
Tuesday	2 Samuel 6.12-19	Ps 24.7-10	Mark 3.31-35
Wednesday	2 Samuel 7.14-17	Ps 89.19-27	Mark 4.1-20
Thursday	2 Samuel 7.18-29	Ps 132.13-18	Mark 4.21-25
Friday	2 Samuel 11.1-17	Ps 51.15-19	Mark 4.26-34
Saturday	2 Samuel 12.1-17	Ps 51.10-14	Mark 4.35-41

ABM Pew Reflections

John the Baptist has been arrested and Jesus continues the Baptist's proclamation of good news (the Gospel), calling us to repentance and belief. The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near. Jesus continues to call disciples to follow him and to increase the kingdom of God by bringing more to belief in Jesus Christ.

• God, you are always near to me, may I bring others to belief with your good news. • Give thanks for the work and witness of the Mothers' Union throughout the world.



If you have anything you would like included in the Parish Link Notices, please let Cecilia know in writing by Thursday at anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com

BADMINTON

Members of our Mandarin-speaking congregation are planning to play badminton in the hall after their service on Sundays. You are warmly invited to join them in this fun activity!

COMMISSIONING OF NEW VICAR

Our new vicar, Reverend Victor Fan, will be commissioned into his role on **Tuesday, January 30 at 7.30pm**. Supper afterwards in the hall.

You should have all received an invitation to attend and it is important that we all attend, if possible, on this important occasion.

SUPPER CONTRIBUTIONS

If you can bring either savoury or sweet dishes to help with the supper after the commissioning of Father Victor, please see Jan or Cecilia. (We will not be serving hot food.) Food can be left in the hall before the service, or given to Cecilia in the office on Tuesday morning.

THANK YOU TO REVEREND ANNE

There will be an opportunity to say "thank you" to our hardworking locum, Reverend Anne Kennedy next Sunday at morning tea after the 9.30am service. If you would like to contribute to a present to her, then please place your contribution in an envelope marked "Rev Anne present" and place in the collection bowl or give to one of the wardens, Garry Male, Margaret Dooley or Linda Boyd. We are very grateful for the leadership of Anne in the parish over the last 16 months and hope that we will continue to see her and Rob as parishioners.

KEYS

If you have a key to any church property which you are no longer using, please return it to Cecilia in the office. There is a shortage of some of the keys, and it would be very helpful to have them back.

PARISH PEOPLE@WORK

This group (formerly Men@Work) meets at St Peter's on Tuesday mornings at 9.00am and do all kinds of maintenance, cleaning and gardening. They break for coffee at around 10.00am. If you would like to assist or join them for coffee, please see Garry Male or Garry Plumridge. All welcome.

NAME TAGS

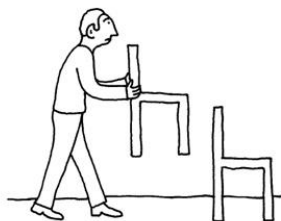
With our new vicar coming, we are hoping everyone will start wearing their name tags so we can all be recognised! If you need a new name tag, please email the office and ask for a new one: anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

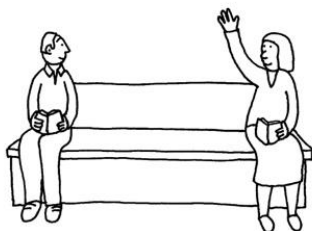
As the substitute preacher was greeting the congregation he made the statement, "You know, a substitute preacher is like a piece of cardboard in a broken window. He fills the space, but after all, he's not the real glass." He then proceeded with his sermon. After the service, a lady approached him trying to pay him a compliment by saying, "You weren't a replacement after all. You were a real pane."

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

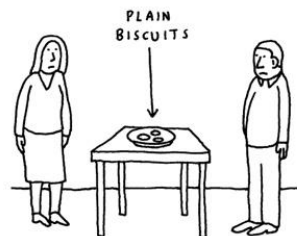
HOW THE CHURCH CAN HELP



EXERCISE



MEETING NEW PEOPLE



HEALTHY EATING

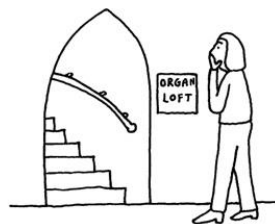


GETTING ORGANISED

AT THE PCC WE'LL DISCUSS THE APCM,
CW VS THE BCP, THE LLM'S CRB,
AND THE OLM'S BAP. OH, AND
THERE ARE LETTERS FROM THE DAC,
THE DDO, THE HOB AND THE ABC



LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE



TRAVELLING TO NEW PLACES

Week Ahead

SUNDAY 21.01.24

Third Sunday after Epiphany

8.00am Eucharist 9.30am Eucharist

9.30am Farsi Service, *kindergarten*

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin, *St Aidan's*

MONDAY 22.01.24

6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon *Undercroft*

TUES 23.01.23

9.00am-1.00pm Office open

9.00 onwards Parish People@Work

6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing *hall, on holidays*

WED 24.01.24

10.30am Eucharist

10.00-11.30am Tai Chi *hall, on holidays*

THU 25.01.24

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *on holidays*

FRI 26.01.24

9.00am-1.00pm Office open

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 27.01.24

10.30am-1.30pm Sat School, *on holidays*

SUNDAY 28.01.24

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist

9.30am Farsi Service, *kindergarten*

11.30am Mandarin service

1.00pm Badminton, *hall*

2.30pm Dinka service

2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin, *St Aidan's*

For the Diary

January 28

Rostered Morning Teas after the 9.30am
service resume
(4th Sunday on the roster)

January 30

Tuesday 7.30pm
Commissioning of our new vicar

February 2024

Playgroup resumes
Choir practice resumes

February 14

Ash Wednesday

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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 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.



ST PETER'S

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The Office will be closed until
January 19, 2024

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 upcoming services

	Today 21.01.24	Next week 28.01.24
Sidespeople	Michele M, Barbara P	Dianne A, Rosemary S
Servers	Elizabeth B, Rosemary S, <i>Kim C</i>	Michele M, Judy J, <i>Garry M</i>
Readers	Hilary B, Laurence L	Judy J, Edwin C
Intercessors	Michele M	Keith W
Counting	Margaret R, Elizabeth B	Lyn B, Garry P
Morning Tea	<i>Not rostered</i>	Barbara P , Dianne A, Keith W

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.