

ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

Third Sunday after Pentecost 10 June, 2018

Parish Link

Our Vicar Writes ...

Welcome to our worship today! I thank Bishop George and the Reverend Alasdair for looking after church last Sunday due to my illness. While I am well on the way to a full recover my voice is still a bit weak. Today our Gospel reading raises the question about the place of family in faith. While family is important it is not more important than doing the will of God and following God's call in one's life, even if that means going against the wishes and desires of one's immediate family. As we gather today – have a look around you and be reminded of our true extended family – our brothers and sisters in Christ. Let us come to know each other better; support and encourage each other as we together endeavour to fulfil God's will here in Box Hill. Next Sunday is our 'Family and Children's service' at 10am and the following week (24 June) is our PATRONAL FESTIVAL also beginning at 10am. All are welcome. I also draw your attention to the petition, issued by the Uniting Church in regards to the proposed Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform Bill 2017. There is information on the back table relating to this issue and how it might impinge upon churches.

Difficult God, whom the world judges mad or worse: reveal our life's distortions posing as normality; enlarge our sense of family beyond those close to us; and cast down Satan's kingdom of cruelty and exclusion; through Jesus Christ, the one who is accused. Amen.

Morning tea

Morning tea is served in the undercroft after the 9.30am service. Please join us.

FOR YOUR 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.

Mission Statement

Sharing the Good News Telling the story afresh Expressing God's love Nurturing and sharing faith Equipping to serve Serving the community

Vision

To ensure that there continues to be a living, committed, communal Anglican presence of liturgical celebration, nurture and outreach in Box Hill.

Sentence

Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and my sister and my mother. Mark 3.34–35

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, give us such a vision of your purpose, and such an assurance of your love and power, that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

Readings

First Reading: 1 Samuel 8.4-11, 16-20

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.' So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots: He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.' But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.'

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

Psalm: 138 in the *APBA* prayer book, p. 369 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4.13 - 5.1

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not

at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

Gospel

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, Chapter 3, beginning at verse 20

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said. 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.' Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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

Welcome to the Lord's Table.

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion or to come forward for a blessing.

Years Mind

Trissette Baptist, Agnes Cook, Frederick Allen, Dodwell Baptist, Douglas Stork, Margery Burkitt, Des Wallace

whose anniversaries occur at this time. Flowers today are in loving memory of Elvena Orange.



Prayer Points

The Church: Anglican Church of Mexico (Abp Francisco Moreno); Locums and all retired clergy; ADF (Andrew Hibbard, Manager); Christ Church Dingley (Wayne Walters, Tanya Cummings); All Saints Kooyong – pastoral visit (Abp Philip Freier); All Saints Mitcham – pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker); St Mary's Camberwell South – pastoral visit (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

The Parish: Pray for Judy G that she may make a full and good recovery. Pray for our Pastoral Care Group and give thanks for their continuing ministry.

The World: Pray for those affected by the volcanos in Guatemala and Hawaii. Pray for all those victims of recent natural disasters and their communities.

The Nation/Community: Pray for all who work in our courts and justice system.

Prayer of the Week

O Lord, from whom alone all good things come: grant that by your holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by your merciful guiding may perform them; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Daily Readings

Monday	1 Kings 17.1-6	Ps 121	Matthew 5.1-12
Tuesday	1 Kings 17.7-16	Ps 4	Matthew 5.13-16
Wednesday	1 Kings 18.20-39	Ps 16.1-6	Matthew 5.17-19
Thursday	1 Kings 18.41-46	Ps 65.9-13	Matthew 5.20-26
Friday	1 Kings 19.9-16	Ps 27.7-14	Matthew 5.27-32
Saturday	1 Kings.19.19-21	Ps 16.5-11	Matthew 5.33-37

ABM Pew Reflections

The great desire for a King of Israel will one day end in disappointment and tragedy for Saul. This Samuel can already discern. In the Gospel reading the crowds are gathering around Jesus but controversy comes from the scribes from Jerusalem. Typically Jesus comes into conflict with established power structures. Pray for those who have power and authority and for imagination to exercise power in new ways. Pray for the *Daehan Song Gong Hoe*, the Anglican Church of Korea, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.



If you have anything you would like included in the Parish Link Notices, please email the office anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com or let Cecilia know **before** Thursdays. Please keep notices succinct and to the point as space is limited.



SATURDAY June 30

9 am - 3 pm at the Parish Hall

Not only a chance to pick up piles of winter reading but delicious jams, chutneys, etc. will be available to buy as well!

Come, browse, buy. Bring others, have a cuppa and a light snack.

ROOM TO RENT WANTED

My name is Shamala and I am a new member of St Peter's congregation. I have been travelling and now back in Box Hill and am looking to rent a room. I'm over 50 and I work fulltime in a govt office. I like to cook, read and spend time in prayer. I'm quiet, honest and respect all. My contact is Shamala 0466 286 559



MOTHERS' UNION

St Peter's Mothers' Union is having a special church service Sunday, 12 August, 9.30am

This service will highlight our project for 2018 and the Reverend Anne Kennedy will be the preacher.

A special morning tea will follow and there will be cakes, biscuits and produce for sale.

We hope parishioners and visitors will make a donation.

(This event will replace our annual luncheon.)



UNICEF is urgently appealing for funds to deliver emergency supplies, protection and support to millions of children in Syria caught in the line of fire and living on the move as refugees. During June, many people will be holding #Cook for Syria and #Bake for Syria parties to raise funds for these children in an initiative begun by UNICEF in the UK in 2016.

Come along on Saturday 16th June!

4.30pm in the Undercroft

Bring your friends! No need to "bring a plate" - just please bring a donation for this cause; taste Syrian foods and learn more of the wonderful history of Christianity in Syria.

Expression of interest sheet at the back of the church

FUNDRAISING NEWS

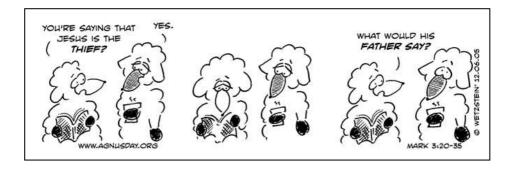
Thanks to all who supported our fabulous Quiz night. Our profit was \$782.00. What a great response from you for our Okka's pie drive! We expect to raise almost \$600.00

Don't forget to pick up your pies today. They are in the fridge. They include a flyer for "How to store and reheat your pie".

Please contact Hilary or Charles with any queries.



Remember our Book sale Saturday, 30 June. Please let Garry or Hilary know whether you **can help with setting up** on the afternoon of Thursday June 28 or Friday June 29.



What's on this Week TODAY 10.6.18

Third Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion 11.30 Mandarin Service 2.00pm Dinka Service 2.30pm Discipleship Workshop, hall 7.30pm Al Anon, hall

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MON 11.6.18

7.30pm Narcotics Anonymous, St Aidan's

TUES 12.6.18

8.30-12.00pm Men at Work 8.30am-12.30pm Office open 6.00-8.00pm Sudanese Prayer

WED 13.6.18

10.30am Eucharist 2.00pm Play Group Set up, *hall* 6.00-7.00pm Chinese Dancing, *hall*

THURS 14.6.18

10.00-2.00pm Office open 9.30-11.30am Play Group, hall 600-8.00pm Sudanese Prayer, u/croft

FRI 15.6.18

7.30am Eucharist 10am-1.00pm Chinese Nurse Assoc, hall 5.00-9.00pm Chinese Prayer Group

SAT 16.6.18

9am-12pm Homework Club, hall

SUN 17.6.18

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Family&Children's Service 11.30am Mandarin Service 2.00pm Dinka Service 2.30pm Discipleship Workshop, hall 7.30pm Alcoholics Anonymous, hall

For the Diary

17 June

Family & Children's Service 10am

23 June

A Conversation about Creative Arts 3.00-4.30pm, u'croft

24 June

St Peter's Patronal Festival 10.00am Combined Service

26 June

Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

30 June

Book Sale 9.00am-3.00pm

4 August

Friends of Anglican Music at St Peter's Evensong 4pm, supper afterwards

5 August

Aust Welsh Male Choir 2.30pm

12 August

Mothers' Union Service & morning tea

13 October

Spring Fair Please note change of date

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Before the service, speak to God.

During the service, let God speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another.

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Roster 9.30am Service & FACS

SIDESPEOPLE	Today 10/6/18 Noel W, Dianne A, Gwen M W	Next week 17/6/18 FACS Michele M, Barbara P
SERVERS	Today 10/6/18 Sophia E, Keith W	Next week 17/6/18 FACS Not rostered
READERS	Today 10/6/18 Don W, Janet H	Next week 17/6/18 FACS Not rostered
INTERCESSOR	Today 10/6/18 Elizabeth B	Next week 17/6/18 FACS Not rostered
MORNING TEA	Today 10/6/18 Gwen M M, Janet H, Rosemary S, Peter W	Next week 17/6/18 FACS Cecilia M, Margaret R, Jan G, Keith W