

ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 4 August, 2019

Parish Link

The Vicar Writes...

Welcome to our worship today. We hear today in the Gospel reading from Luke the wonderful parable told by Jesus about the 'Rich Fool.' It's tempting to think that Jesus is just down on material things and wealth. But it's much deeper than that: he knows the seductive power of possessions, and he wants to clear the way for us to receive much greater blessings and joy. The rich fool's anxiety about the inadequacy of his barns mirrors in some ways our own preoccupation with handling our possessions, protecting them with security systems, investing them safely, worrying about them. It's not that such precautions are irresponsible or sinful, but they can distract us from what is really important or lead us to place our trust in the wrong places. Jesus knew that material things – no matter how fun and wonderful and lovely and useful they may be - will never truly satisfy us. We will always want more. Material goods make very poor gods for us to worship. This truth is at the core of our relationship with God. Just as the prophets in the Hebrew Scriptures had to call the people back repeatedly from worshipping "other gods" than the God of Israel, so Jesus and Paul, the passionate apostle who followed him, preached a gospel of spiritual values centred on the one true God, not the many, petty, fragile little gods that somehow command our attention and too often win our hearts. Let us take to heart other words from the Scriptures, that we seek first the kingdom of God above all else. May we be encouraged in our discipleship today.

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

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.

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.

Sentence

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3.1

Prayer of the Day

Living God, Judge of us all, you have placed in our hands the wealth we call our own: through your Spirit give us wisdom, that our possessions may not be a curse, but a means of blessing in our lives. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading: Hosea 11.1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah?

How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

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

Psalm: 107.1-9, 43 in *APBA*, p.337

Second Reading: Colossians 3.1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and

have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, Chapter 12, verses 13-21

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

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

Charles Bindon, Arthur Cale, Ronald Braybrook Douglas Murray, Lorna Berkeley

whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Points

The Church: Church of the Province of South East Asia (Abp Ng Moon Hing); Diocese of Ballarat (Bp Garry Weatherill, Clergy & People); St Philip's Deep Creek (Randle Bond); Anglican Parish of Upwey/Belgrave – Pastoral Visit (Bp Paul Barker); St Jude's Parkville – Confirmation Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

The Parish: Pray for all new members of our congregations and for our outreach into the community.



The World: Pray for those who struggle for human rights and against repressive regimes.

The Nation/Community: Pray for all who are part of the justice system; the police, lawyers and judges, that justice can be available to all in our community.

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God, whose beloved Son for our sake willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross: give us courage and patience to take up our cross daily and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Daily Readings

Monday	Numbers 11.4b-15	Ps 81.10-16	Matthew 1.13-21
Tuesday	Numbers 12.1-13	Ps 51.1-5	Matthew 14.22-36
Wednesday	Numbers 13.1-35.1	Ps 106.17-24	Matthew 15.21-28
Thursday	Numbers 20.1-13	Ps 95.1-7	Matthew 16.13-23
Friday	Deuteronomy 4.32-40	Ps 77.11-15	Matthew 16.24-28
Saturday	Deuteronomy 6.4-13	Ps 18.1-7	Matthew 17.14-20



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

COMING SOON – "COOK FOR SYRIA" 31st AUGUST 6.30 PM SAVE THE DATE!

UNICEF is once again seeking help for refugees from the agonizing conflict in Syria.

You are warmly invited to contribute to this appeal, with a Syrian meal and talk on Palmyra in the Undercroft on the menu.



FRIENDS OF ANGLICAN MUSIC (FOAM)

Evensong with FOAM will take place on Saturday, 31st August at St John's Anglican Church, Camberwell. Rehearsal starts at 1:45pm and Evensong starts at 4.00pm.

BIBLE STUDY - August: History to Its End

Our study of the Seven Stories of the Nonviolent Bible will conclude in August. Our final story is about our future, God's wisdom and the Son of Man figure, which Jesus adopted to describe himself. We meet at 7.30pm in the Undercroft on Thursdays 1, 8, 15 August. Newcomers welcome - bring your Bible and notebook. Hope to see you there!

Enquiries: Janet Hubner, janet.hubner@hotmail.com, 0437 489 982.



BRING A PLATE

After the St Peter's Music Concert on 24 August, there will be an afternoon tea in the undercroft. If you are attending, we would much appreciate it if you could bring a plate of food to share.

Please see Jan if you can assist.



THE AUSTRALIAN WELSH MALE CHOIR A Free Public Event

"An Afternoon in the Valleys"
A concert celebrating Welsh song, language and culture.
Featuring the City of Greater Dandenong Band.

2.30 – 4.00pm Sunday October 27

St Paul's Cathedral



FAMILY and CHILDREN'S SERVICE (FACS)

10.00am Sunday August 18 All welcome!

STARTING AUGUST 5TH - NEW DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Would you like to meet together for Bible study, fellowship, prayer support and encouragement? From **5**th **August** we will meet at 2 PM on Mondays at 2 Laurel Grove North (corner of Laburnum St,) Blackburn (5 minutes by car from St Peters)

ALL WELCOME!

For more details call 98786297



UPCOMING CONCERTS which may involve or interest parishioners

Lindsay O'Neill Memorial Organ Recital, August 4, St Mark's, Fitzroy 2.30pm

VMTA Concert, August 10, St Peter's Box Hill, 1.00pm

Organ Concert, August 11, Holy Trinity, Surrey Hills 2.30pm

Bettine McCaughan Vocal Scholarship, August 17, St Peter's Box Hill, 7.30pm

St Peter's Music Concert, St Peter's Box Hill, August 24, 2.30pm

Australian Welsh Male Choir, October 27, St Paul's Cathedral, 2.30pm

Cello Concert, September 7, St Peter's Box Hill, 7.30pm

This Week

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 8.00am Eucharist 9.00am Prayer in the Chapel 9.30am Eucharist 11.30am Mandarin Service 2.00pm Dinka Service 7.30pm Al Anon, hall

MON 5.8.19

7.30pm Narcotics Anonymous, St Aidan's

TUES 6.8.19

8.30am-12.30pm Office open 8.30-11.30pm Men at Work 10.00-1.00 Joyful Chinese, hall 6.00-8.00pm Sudanese Prayer

WED 7.8.19

10.30am Eucharist
12.00-2.00pm Chinese Dancing, hall
2.00pm Play Group Set up, hall
6.00-7.00pm Chinese Dancing, hall
8.00pm Choir Practice, u/croft

THU 8.8.19

10.00-2.00pm Office open 9.30-11.30am Play Group, hall 7.30pm Bible Study, *u/croft*

FRI 9.8.19

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

SAT 10.8.19

9.30am-1.30pm Homework Club, hall 12.30-6.30pm VMTA Music Concert (2 concerts back-to-back)

SUN 11.8.19

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For the Diary August 17

Bettine McCaughan Vocal Scholarship, 7.30pm

August 18 FACS 10.00am

August 24

St Peter's Music Concert 2.30-4.00pm

August 31

- FOAM Evensong 4.00pm St John's Camberwell
 - Cook For Syria
 6.30pm, undercroft

September 1

Taize-style service for St Aidan's Day

September 29

Mothers' Union 85th Anniversary Service

October 12

Spring Fair

October 26 and 27 130th Anniversary of St Peter's Sat: Vintage car display and historical exhibition in the hall Sun: 10.00am Combined Service

Australian Welsh Male Choir St Paul's Cathedral, 2.30-400pm

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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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Baptism, marriage & funerals by arrangement. Clergy are available for confession / counselling by appointment.

Roster 9.30am Service

SIDESPEOPLE	Today 4/8/19 Ted G, Rosemary S, Eric S W	Next week 11/8/19 Dianne A, Fred T, Ted G W	
SERVERS	Today 4/8/19 Sophia E, Kim C	Next week 11/8/19 Sophia E, Elizabeth B	
READERS	Today 4/8/19 Lewis P, Barbara P	Next week 11/8/19 Kim C, Janet H	
INTERCESSOR	Today 4/8/19 Janet H	Next week 11/8/19 Sophia E	
COUNTING	Today 4/8/19 Hilary B, Ted G	Next week 11/8/19 Daryl P, Lyn B	
MORNING TEA	Today 4/8/19 Elizabeth B M, Laurence L, Lyn B, Gwen F	Next week 11/8/19 Gwen McD M, Janet H, Peter W, Rosemary S	