



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL  
Day of Pentecost  
23 May, 2021

# Parish Link

## The Vicar writes...

Welcome to our worship today online and in person as we celebrate the feast of Pentecost – the coming of the spirit upon the disciples gathered together. As I have often mentioned we are the hands and feet of Christ to the world. We are the ones who in our daily living show the truth and grace of God to all and sundry around us. We are the ones who bring the truth of the Gospel, who bring the love and comfort of grace, and who work to usher in God's kingdom. And we do this in the power of God's Spirit and in fact we can *only* do this in the power of God's Holy Spirit! If we try in our own strength then we certainly will fail and burn-out – but it is God's Spirit who renews us, encourages us, and strengthens us. It is God's Spirit who brings us into all truth and helps us be Christ to the world. May we celebrate God's Spirit today and be open to the transforming work of the Spirit in our hearts and lives!



### **Mission Statement**

Sharing the Good News  
Telling the story afresh  
Expressing God's love

### **Vision**

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

Nurturing and sharing faith  
Equipping to serve  
Serving the community

### **Reporting Child Abuse**

All child safety concerns must be reported to  
Kooyoora Professional Standards  
1800 135 246

## Sentence

'A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you,' says the Lord God; 'I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.' Ezekiel 36.26; 37.14

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Readings

### First Reading: Acts 2.1-21

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' <sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

### Second Reading: Romans 8.22-27

<sup>22</sup> We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; <sup>23</sup> and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the

Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.  
<sup>24</sup> For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. <sup>26</sup> Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.  
<sup>27</sup> And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John, Chapter 15, verses 26-27, Chapter 16.4b-15

### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**15** <sup>26</sup> 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup> You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. **16** <sup>4</sup> But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup> But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" <sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: <sup>9</sup> about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup> about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup> about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. <sup>12</sup> 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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

### **Years Mind**

Shirley Cormick, Thomas Ryan, Gwendoline Wilson, Thomas Ryan,  
and Sam Klay whose anniversaries occur at this time.



### **Prayer Points**

*The Church:* The Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Diocese of The Northern Territory (Bp Greg Anderson, Clergy & People); Ridley College (Brian Rosner, Principal; Tim Foster, Richard Trist); Holy Apostles' Sunshine Braybrook (Paul Priyajayanth); St Stephen's Gardenvale – Pastoral Service (Bp Paul Barker); St Columb's Hawthorn – Baptism & Reception Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Margaret's Eltham – Pastoral Visit (Bp Kate Prowd).

*The Parish:* Give thanks for the Men at Work group who so cheerfully maintain our premises.

*The World:* Pray for Israel and for the Palestinian people.

*The Nation:* Pray for all judges, lawyers and those who administer justice.

### Prayer of the Week

O God, who taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Daily Readings

Monday	Sirach 17.24-29	Ps 32.1-7	Mark 10.17-27
Tuesday	Sirach 35.1-12	Ps 50.20-24	Mark 10.28-31
Wednesday	Sirach 36.1, 4-5, 10.17	Ps 79.8-13	Mark 10.35-42
Thursday	Sirach 42.15-25	Ps 33.1-8	Mark 10.46-52
Friday	Sirach 44.1-13	Ps 149	Mark 11.11-26
Saturday	Sirach 51.12-20	Ps 19.7-10	Mark 11.27-33

### ABM Pew Reflections

Today the Psalmist tells us that the Spirit of the Lord breathes new life. Where in our lives do we need change or renewal? Where would we like God's Spirit to blow? Pray that God will renew and refresh your life. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill your faithful ones with the fire of your love. Give thanks for the work and witness of the *Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*, the Anglican Church of Hong Kong



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### PEW CUSHIONS

New bench cushions for the pews are a gift from the Chinese congregation. I am sure that we will all be very thankful for this – especially with winter coming on!

### MOTHERS' UNION

12 noon on this Wednesday, May 26 at Helen Jones house. Geoff will be showing a film.



## CHANGE IN OFFICE HOURS

For this week only:

Office open on Monday 24

Office closed on Tuesday 25

Apologies for any inconvenience.

## CHURCH LAWS

Have you ever wondered what church law is and what laws apply to your parish or situation? Register for our free, one-hour lunchtime Zoom webinar where Archbishop Phillip Aspinall, the Hon Keith Mason and Bishop Alison Taylor will explore these and other questions.

Date: Thursday 27 May, 2021 Time: 12.00-1.00pm

Cost: Free but registration is essential

RSVP: Wednesday 26 May 2021 Click here to [Register here](#)

Enquiries: [tcts@trinity.edu.au](mailto:tcts@trinity.edu.au)

## A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE - Saturday 5th June @ 7:30pm

George Wood Performing Arts Centre, Yarra Valley Grammar School, Kalinda Road, Ringwood

The Salvation Army Melbourne Staff Band presents a great night of music with Marina Prior and Michael Cormick

Songs from Les Miserables, Phantom of the Opera, Cats, Guys & Doll and more!

Tickets available online via [www.msb.salvationarmy.org.au](http://www.msb.salvationarmy.org.au)

Adults \$30 / Concession \$25

## CHILD SAFETY – Statement of Commitment

Many thanks to those who have read our Child Safety Policy on the website and returned their signed Statements of Commitment. This is a further step asked for by the diocese as part of their child safety regulations. I am happy to assist or explain further for anyone who is still waiting to return their form. *Cecilia.*

THESE WORDS FROM JESUS SEEM BOTH COMFORTING AND ANXIETY INDUCING AT THE SAME TIME.



[WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG](http://WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG)

JESUS IS PREDICTING THE DAY OF PENTECOST. THE SPIRIT WILL BOTH EQUIP THE DISCIPLES TO WITNESS AND STRENGTHEN THEM IN THE FACE OF VIOLENCE.



OKAY. NOW IT'S JUST ANXIETY!

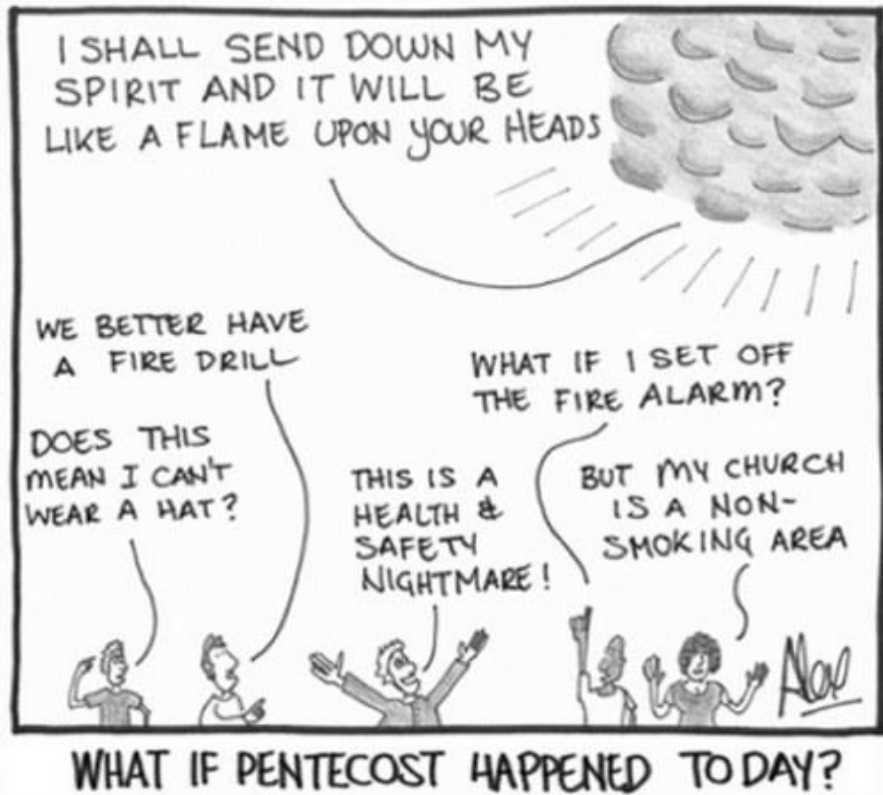


JOHN 15:26-27; 16:4-15



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## TO MAKE YOU SMILE...



### All I need to know, I learned from Noah's Ark!

ONE: Don't miss the boat.

TWO: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

THREE: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.

FOUR: Stay fit. When you're 60 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

FIVE: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

SIX: Build your future on high ground.

SEVEN: For safety's sake, travel in pairs.

EIGHT: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.

NINE: When you're stressed, float a while.

TEN: Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.

ELEVEN: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.

## This Week

### SUN 23.5.21

#### Day of Pentecost

8.00am, 9.30am Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

### MON 24.5.21

9.30-10.30am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-6.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

### TUES 25.5.21

8.00-11.00am Men at Work

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

5.30-7.30pm Bellydancing, *hall*

### WED 26.5.21

10.30am Eucharist

10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*

8.00pm Choir practice, *undercroft*

### THU 27.5.21

10.00am-2.00pm Office open

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

### FRI 28.5.21

7.30am Eucharist

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

### SAT 29.5.21

10am-1.30pm Saturday School, *hall* and *Undercroft*

### SUN 30.5.21

#### TRINITY SUNDAY

8.00am, 9.30am Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.30pm Dinka service

## For the Diary

### June 5

VMTA concert, *church*

1.30-5.00pm

### June 12

Piano student concert, *church*

3.00-7.00pm

### June 19

Parish Staff Meeting

10.00-11.30am, *Office*

Piano concert, *church*

9.00-11.45am

Grainger Wind Symphony, *church*

Midday-10.00pm

### June 27

Patronal Festival

### July 15

Playgroup resumes

### July 18

Family and Children's Service (FACS)

10.00am

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### Office Hours:

Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm  
 Thu 10.00am – 2.00pm

### 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.

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

## Roster 9.30am Service

	Today 23.5.21	Next week 30.5.21
SIDESPEOPLE	Martin F, Noel W	Sandra L, Rosemary S
SERVERS	Sophia E, Rosemary S	Sophia E, Michele M
READERS	Janet H, Laurence L	Hilary B, Kim C
INTERCESSOR	Janet H	Betty B
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