

ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL 2 July 2023 Patronal Festival

Parish Link

The Vicar writes...

Happy St Peter's Day!

It's a real day of celebration, as we realise that Anglican Worship has been taking place in this area for 165 years – even longer. And this Church, and those which have gone before, have always been central to our community. In the early days, people hitched their horses to the old peppercorn tree. In the busy Sixties youth clubs, basketball, cricket and football clubs abounded, and the youth club saw many happy marriages between parish families take place. Today, St Peter's congregations reflect Box Hill and the community around us with different language groups worshipping here and calling this place home. But there is more to be done – we must reach out into the community and tell the Good News of God's love for everybody, and the message of Faith, Hope and Love that is there for all to share.



Hymns: Refer to the hymn sheet

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: Peter says to Jesus, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' John 21.17

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, whose apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their deaths as in their lives: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and knit together in unity by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer at the time of choosing an incumbent: Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose wisdom, discernment and patience, and give to us warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

First Reading: Acts 12.1-11

¹ About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church.² He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword.³ After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.)⁴ When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to quard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. ⁵ While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. ⁶ The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. ⁷ Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. ⁸ The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' 9 Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰ After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. ¹¹ Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

Psalm: 34.1-10

¹ I will bless the Lord continually: his praise shall be always in my mouth.

² Let my soul boast of the Lord: the humble shall hear it and rejoice.

- ³ O praise the Lord with me: let us exalt his name together.
- ⁴ For I sought the Lord's help and he answered:

and he freed me from all my fears.

- ⁵ Look towards him and be bright with joy: your faces shall not be ashamed.
- ⁶ Here is a wretch who cried, and the Lord heard me: and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him: and delivers them in their need.

⁸ O taste and see that the Lord is good: happy are they that hide in him!

⁹ Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones: for those who fear him never lack.

¹⁰ Lions may suffer want and go hungry: but those who seek the Lord lack nothing good.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4.6-8 and 17-18

⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, Chapter 21, beginning at Verse 15

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' ¹⁹ (He said to him, 'Follow me.' ²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, 'Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?' ²¹ When Peter saw him, he

said to Jesus, 'Lord, what about him?' ²² Jesus said to him, 'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!'

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

Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, save through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. Amen.

Years Mind

Edgar Boreham, Dorothy Lapworth, Fr James Robertson Senior, Mark Borg, Peter Danby, Gwen McDonald, Fr Kevin Joyner, Evelyn Carty-Salmon, Harold Shepherd, and Mary Carden, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Points

The Church: St Barnabas' Anglican Church Balwyn (Randle Bond, Kirsty Brown); Anglicare Australia (Bp Chris Jones, Chair; Kasy Chambers, Exec Director); Shelford Girls' Grammar (Katrina Brennan, Principal); Christ Church Melton – Pastoral visit (Bp Brad Billings); St David's Moorabbin – Pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker); St Peter's Fawkner – Pastoral visit (Bp Kate Prowd); St Peter's Anglican Church Bundoora – Pastoral visit (Abp Philip Freier).

The Parish: Give thanks for the life and work of Saint Peter.

The World: Pray for all Christians persecuted for their faith.

The Nation: Pray especially for all churches dedicated to St Peter.

Daily Readings

Monday	Genesis 18.16-33	Ps 103.6-14	Matthew 8.18-22
Tuesday	Genesis 19.15-29	Ps 26	Matthew 8.23-27
Wednesday	Genesis 21.5-20	Ps 34.1-10	Matthew 8.28-34
Thursday	Genesis 22.1-19	Ps 116.1-9	Matthew 9.1-8
Friday	Genesis 23.1-4, 24.1-8, 62-67	Ps 106.1-5	Matthew 9.9-13
Saturday	Genesis 27.1-5, 15-29	Ps 135.1-6	Matthew 9.14-17



If you have anything you would like included in the Parish Link Notices, please let Cecilia know in writing **before** Thursday at <u>anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com</u>



WELCOME

We welcome our guests today – Allan Demond, Senior Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, Chair of Whitehorse Churches Care; Kerryn Pell, Chief Executive Officer of Whitehorse Churches Care; and folk who have come along with them to join with us as we worship today. During the service we will hear how the Churches of this City are working together, being Christ's Body in our community. We encourage everyone to stay and share morning tea and conversation after the service.

NEW ROSTER

The new roster for all our church activities is out and a big thank you goes to Michele for co-ordinating and organising this. As usual, please think ahead and arrange a swap with someone if you won't be able to be there for what is listed on the roster.

WHERE IS LARS NOW?

Cycling to raise funds for a defibrillator.

Day 18: Departing Shechem (modern day Nablus). Arriving En-Gannim

(modern day Jenin). I am doing the return journey to Nazareth of the 'naughty' 12 year old Jesus and his extended family. I wish we could see these events! There were many undulations with various sized hills



and inclines. There was one or two nasty tight bends that took the gradient up to 10% and maybe 12% briefly, but I am starting to cope better with those as I get better at judging quicker gear changes. Although, saying that, I did get one gear change wrong and threw my bike chain off which meant a brief stop while I put the chain back on the main 'crank'. Not a problem you'd have with a donkey or camel. Total distance cycled so far: 503.37 km = 16%. Remaining: 2496.63 km.

Donate through our bank account, using the reference **AED**. **Name of Account:** Anglican Parish of Box Hill **Bank Name:** NAB **Bank BSB No (6 digits):** 083 004 **Account No:** 3468 14183

TO MAKE YOU SMILE ...

A minister and a lawyer arrived at the pearly gates. Saint Peter greeted both of them and gave them their room assignments. "Pastor, here are the keys to one of our nicest efficiency units. And for you, sir, (to the lawyer) the keys to our finest suite." "This seems a bit unfair!" cried the minister.

"Listen," Saint Peter said, "ministers are a dime a dozen up here, but this is the first lawyer we've seen."



"The good news is that you'll stay here. The bad news is your luggage has gone to hell."



Week Ahead SUNDAY 2.07.23 St Peter's Day

9.30am Patronal Festival
11.30am Mandarin service
2.30pm Dinka service
2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin, St Aidan's
4.30-5.30pm Farsi Service, St Aidan's

MON 3.07.23 9.30-10.30am Tai Chi hall 6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi hall

TUES 4.07.23 8.30am-12.30pm Office open 9.00-1.00pm Men at Work 6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing *hall, (on holiday)*

WED 5.07.23 10.30am Eucharist 9.30-11.30am Play group (*kindergarten*) 10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall (on holiday)* 8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 6.07.23 9.00am-1.00pm Office open 6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, hall (on holiday)

FRI 7.07.23 7.30am Eucharist 5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 8.07.21
10.30am-1.30pm Saturday School, hall and Undercroft (on holiday)
4.30-8.30pm Piano set up and concert

SUNDAY 9.07.23 Sea Sunday

8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist
11.30am Mandarin service
2.30pm Dinka service
2.30-4.30pm Prayers in Mandarin, St Aidan's
4.30-5.30pm Farsi Service, St Aidan's

For the Diary

July 2 St Peter's Day Celebratory morning tea

> July 9 Sea Sunday

July 11 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm, Undercroft

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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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Usual Office Hours:

Tues 8.30am – 12.30pm Fri 8.30am – 12.30pm

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 Kooyoora Professional Standards 1800 135 246

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Roster for Sunday 9.30am service Patronal Festival and Sea Sunday

	Today 2.07.23	Next week 9.02.23
SIDESPEOPLE	Rob K, Sandra L	Noel W, Dianne A
SERVERS	Michele M, Rosemary S, Kim C	Michele m, Elizabeth B, Keith W
READERS	Margaret D, Michele M	Garry P, Conrad H
INTERCESSOR	Michele M	Keith W
COUNTING	Margaret R, Charles B	Hilary B, Michele M
MORNING TEA	Elizabeth B, Lyn B, Laurence L	Rosemary S, Peter W, Barbara M

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.