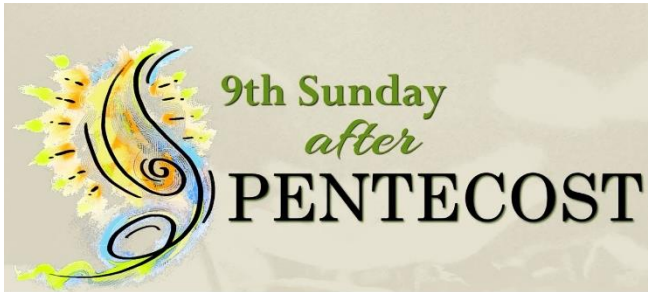




ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL
30 July 2023
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Parish
Link



*"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE UNTO A
MERCHANT MAN ... WHO ... FOUND ONE
PEARL OF GREAT PRICE...."*
(MATTHEW 13:45-46)

*Hymns: Introit 169 • Psalm see [Link](#) • Gradual 164
Offertory 619 • Communion 514 • Final 545*

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8.38–39

Prayer of the Day

O God, the fount of wisdom, you have revealed to us in Christ the hidden treasure and the pearl of great price: grant us your Spirit's gift of discernment, that, in the midst of the things of this world, we may learn to value the priceless worth of your kingdom, and be ready to renounce all else for the sake of the precious gift you offer. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and 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: Genesis 29.15–28

¹⁵ Then Laban said to Jacob, 'Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?' ¹⁶ Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷ Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. ¹⁸ Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, 'I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.' ¹⁹ Laban said, 'It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.' ²⁰ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. ²¹ Then Jacob said to Laban, 'Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.' ²² So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. ²³ But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. ²⁴ (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) ²⁵ When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, 'What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?' ²⁶ Laban said, 'This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷ Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me for another seven years.' ²⁸ Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

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

Psalm: 105.1–11

- ¹ O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name:
tell among the peoples what things he has done.
- ² **Sing to him, O sing praises: and be telling of all his marvellous works.**
- ³ Exult in his holy name: and let those that seek the Lord be joyful in heart.
- ⁴ **Seek the Lord and his strength: O seek his face continually.**
- ⁵ Call to mind what wonders he has done:
his marvellous acts, and the judgements of his mouth,
- ⁶ **O seed of Abraham his servant: O children of Jacob his chosen one.**
- ⁷ For he is the Lord our God: and his judgements are in all the earth.
- ⁸ **He has remembered his covenant for ever:
the word that he ordained for a thousand generations,**
- ⁹ The covenant that he made with Abraham: the oath that he swore to Isaac,
- ¹⁰ **And confirmed it to Jacob as a statute:
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,**
- ¹¹ Saying 'I will give you the land of Canaan: to be the portion of your inheritance',

Second Reading: Romans 8.26–39

²⁶ 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. ²⁷ 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. ²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.' ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew, Chapter 13, beginning at Verse 44

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

⁴⁴ The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.
⁴⁵ 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶ on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.
⁴⁷ 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸ when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
⁵¹ 'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' ⁵² And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'
⁵³ When Jesus had finished these parables, he left that place. ⁵⁴ He came to his hometown and began to teach the people in their synagogue, so that they were astounded and said, 'Where did this man get this wisdom and these deeds of power? ⁵⁵ Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary? And are not his brothers James and Joseph and Simon and Judas? ⁵⁶ And are not all his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all this?' ⁵⁷ And they took offence at him. But Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour except in their own country and in their own house.' ⁵⁸ And he did not do many deeds of power there, because of their unbelief.

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

Prayer of the Week

O God, the protector of all that trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Years Mind

Colin Yonge, Bert Davis, John Braybrook, Charles Cormick, Charles Herbert, and Hazel Mereweather, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: The Anglican Church Caroline Springs (Jonathan Smith, Monica Kuol); The Diocese of The Murray (Bp Keith Dalby, Clergy & People); Beaconhills College (Stephen McGinley, Principal; Peggy Kruse, Chaplain); Australian Deans' Conference Service St Paul's Cathedral (Abp Phillip Freier); St Linus Merlynston – Pastoral visit (Bp Kate Prowd); The Parish of the Holy Name of Jesus Vermont South – Pastoral visit (Bp Paul Barker); St Barnabas' Balwyn – Pastoral & confirmation services (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

The Parish: Pray for our Mandarin-speaking Sunday School, teachers & children.

The World: Pray for all those in Europe affected by fires.

The Nation: Pray for those without safe homes & those who don't have enough food.

Daily Readings

Monday	Exodus 32.15-34	Ps 106.20-24	Matthew 13.31-35
Tuesday	Exodus 33.7-11a, 34.5-10	Ps 203.6-14	Matthew 13.36-43
Wednesday	Exodus 34.29-35	Ps 99.5-9	Matthew 13.44-46
Thursday	Exodus 40.16-21, 34-38	Ps 84.1-7	Matthew 13.47-53
Friday	Lev 23.1-11, 15-16, 27-37	Ps 81.1-10	Matthew 13.54-58
Saturday	Leviticus 25.1-17	Ps 67	Matthew 14.1-12



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

BETTINE MCCAUGHAN SCHOLARSHIP CONCERT at St Petet's

Date: Saturday, August 19 Time: 7.30pm (TBC)

'Bettine McCaughan Scholarship', is run by ANATS and worth \$6,000 to the winner. (Usually a Melbourne 'Herald Sun Aria' Finalist, so a high standard of singing). A Professional pianist accompanies them on the grand piano as the six finalists perform operatic arias & Art Songs. Adjudicators are professional singers & singing teachers. Tickets available at the door: \$15-\$20 approx.

RAFFLE DRAWN THIS SUNDAY

Raffles for two beautiful shawl/scarves woven by Jen Walker will be drawn this Sunday after the 9.30am service. Last chance to buy tickets and support the causes!

MU FUNDRAISER

A raffle to raise funds for MU causes will be drawn on August 13 at the MU Fundraising Service. There will also be goodies to purchase. Tickets for the raffle are available in the office or speak to Jan 0425757778.

WHERE IS LARS NOW?

After a 12 day lay-off because of an intestinal upset, I'm back in the saddle again. So the next leg of journey my will be from the west bank of the River Jordan and to Jerusalem. Caesar El Yehud past Jericho and on to Jerusalem. And to get to Jerusalem it is pretty much a constant uphill cycle ride up to 811 metres ABOVE sea level.

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 Canadian visits a small church while on holiday in Scotland. The Canadian is intrigued by the intricately carved pulpit and, being something of a history buff, would like to know more about it so approaches the little old vicar.

"Excuse me sir, would you be so kind as to tell me what the pulpit is made of?"

"Aye. Wood."

"You would?"

"Nay yew, is oak."

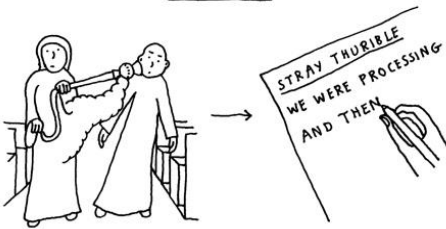
"Oak? Eh?"

"Glad to have helped."

CORRECT PROCEDURES

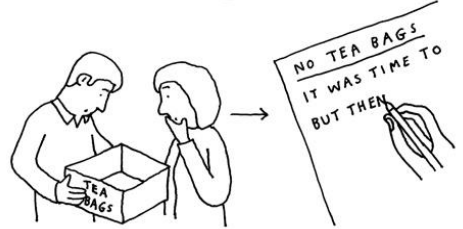
WHAT TO DO IF THERE IS AN...

ACCIDENT



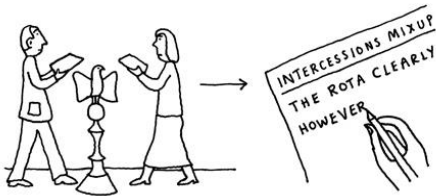
WRITE IT IN THE 'ACCIDENTS' BOOK

INCIDENT



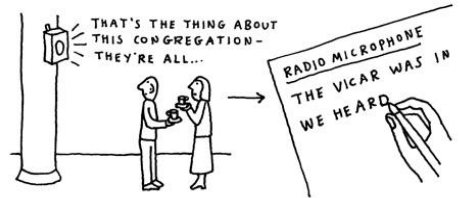
WRITE IT IN THE 'INCIDENTS' BOOK

AWKWARD SCENARIO



WRITE IT IN THE 'AWKWARD SCENARIOS' BOOK

EMBARRASSING MOMENT



WRITE IT IN THE 'EMBARRASSING MOMENTS' BOOK

Week Ahead

SUNDAY 30.07.23

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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*

MON 31.08.23

9.30-10.30am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

TUES 1.08.23

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

9.00-1.00pm Men at Work

6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing *hall*

WED 2.08.23

10.30am Eucharist

9.30-11.30am Play group (*kindergarten*)

10-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*

8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 3.08.23

6.00-9.00pm Sudanese prayer, *church*

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *hall*

FRI 4.08.23

8.00-11.30am Office open

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 5.08.21

10.30am-1.30pm Saturday School, *hall* and
Undercroft

SUNDAY 6.08.23

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

August 8

Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

August 13

MU Fundraising Service

September 3

Creation Sunday

October 1

Blessing of the Pets

Prayers and Readings from *A Prayer Book for Australia*, Copyright Broughton Publishing 1995.

The Scripture quotations contained herein are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible © 1989 the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, and are used by permission. All rights reserved.

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

1038 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill.

Parish Office: 9899 5122

E anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com

W www.anglicansboxhill.org.au

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

Vicar

Reverend Anne Kennedy (Acting Vicar)

T 0429 123 478

E vicar@anglicansboxhill.org.au

robann29@bigpond.com

Assistant priest:

Reverend Alasdair MacKinnon-Love SCP

0438 323 059

E alasdair@mackinnonlove.com

Associate Clergy

Reverend Esther Zhang

T 0405 602 439 **E** esther_win@hotmail.com

Honorary Clergy

Reverend Betty Bracken 9939 5881

Sudanese Ministry

Reverend Joseph Arou

T 0431 541 535

E aroujoseph18@gmail.com

Wardens:

Margaret Dooley 0438 129 161

Sophia Errev 9878 6297

Prayers and Readings from *A Prayer Book for Australia*. Copyright Broughton Publishing 1995. The Scripture quotations contained herein are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible © 1989 the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, and are used by permission. All rights reserved.

Roster for Sunday 9.30am service

	Today 30.07.23	Next week
SIDESPEOPLE	Martin F, Dianne A	Sandra L, Noel W
SERVERS	Rosemary S, Elizabeth B, <i>Garry M</i>	Michele M, Rosemary S, <i>Kim C</i>
READERS	Kim C, Judy J	Laurence L, Edwin C
INTERCESSOR	Keith W	Michele M
COUNTING	Charles B, Garry P	Michele M, Lyn B
MORNING TEA	Cecilia , Jan G, Lyn B	Elizabeth B, Laurence L, Lyn

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.