



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

10 September 2023

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Parish
Link

The Vicar writes...

Sometimes we forget that God's Creation is more than the environment, the animals, birds and fish, our rivers, oceans, mountains and wilderness areas. Human beings, too, are part of God's Creation, and this week's readings challenge us to take up the prophetic responsibility in love to invite each other gently and prayerfully to conversion and care for creation in these times of ecological crisis. Blessings, Anne



season of **creation**

Hymns: Introit: 91 (tune 439) • Psalm: Hymn 95 • Gradual: 587 •
Offertory: 477 • Communion: 445 • Final: 233 (omit vs 3 & 4)

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for whoever loves another has fulfilled the law. Romans 13.8

Prayer of the Day

Go before us, O Lord, with your most gracious favour and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; 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.

Prayer for the new vicar: Bountiful God, you have answered our prayers and provided a faithful pastor to live to work in this community. We pray for The Reverend Victor Fan and his family as they prepare to move to Box Hill. Make the transition as smooth as possible, and give us warm and generous hearts as we prepare for their arrival, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Exodus 12.1–14

¹ The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ² This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³ Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴ If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵ Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶ You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷ They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸ They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹ Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰ You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹ This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹² For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the LORD. ¹³ The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴ This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

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

Psalm: 149

¹ O praise the Lord, and sing to the Lord a new song:

O praise him in the assembly of the faithful.

² **Let Israel rejoice in him that made him:**

let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.

³ Let them praise him in the dance:

let them sing his praise with timbrel and with harp.

⁴ **For the Lord takes delight in his people:**

he adorns the meek with his salvation.

⁵ Let his faithful ones exult in his glory: let them sing for joy upon their beds.

⁶ **Let the high praises of God be in their mouths:**

and a two-edged sword in their hands,

⁷ To execute vengeance on the nations: and chastisement upon the peoples,

⁸ **To bind their kings in chains: and their nobles with fetters of iron,**

⁹ To visit upon them the judgement that is decreed:

such honour belongs to all his faithful servants. Praise the Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 13.1-10

¹ Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God.

² Therefore whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgement. ³ For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; ⁴ for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵ Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. ⁶ For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. ⁷ Pay to all what is due to them—taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due. ⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew, Chapter 18, beginning at verse 10

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹⁰ Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. ¹² What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray,

does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³ And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴ So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost. ¹⁵ 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

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

Prayer of the Week

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and so great dangers that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Years Mind

Don Walter, Bill Smith, Kathlyn Toussaint, Ray Bell, Christopher Hill, John Hart, Lenore George, Claude Haddrell, Helen Wilson, John Lines, and Queen Elizabeth II, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: St Barnabas' Anglican Church Glen Waverley (Phillip Meulman, Bradley Jackson, Ming Li); The Church of Ireland; The Diocese of Adelaide (Abp Geoff Smith, Asst Bps Denise Ferguson, Tim Harris, Christopher McLeod; Clergy & People); SparkLit (Michael Collie, National Director); Pastoral visits to St John's Diamond Creek (Bp Brad Billings); Holy Name of Jesus Anglican Church, Vermont & St Paul's Cathedral (Bp Kate Prowd); St Mark's Dromana (Abp Philip Freier)

The Parish: Give thanks for the Play Group & for the work of Barbara and Michele.

The World: Continue to pray for Ukraine and for all who suffer in war.

The Nation: Pray for understanding and kindness in our communities.

Daily Readings

Monday	Colossians 1.24-2.3	Ps 62.5-8	Luke 6.6-11
Tuesday	Colossians 2.6-15	Ps 145.1-9	Luke 6.12-19
Wednesday	Colossians 3.1-11	Ps 145.1-7	Luke 6.20-26
Thursday	Colossians 3.12-17	Ps 150	Luke 6.27-38
Friday	1 Timothy 1.1-2, 12-14	Ps 167.7-11	Luke 6.39-42
Saturday	1 Timothy 1.15-17	Ps 113	Luke 6.43-49

notice board

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

STEWARDSHIP FORMS

Thanks to all those who have put in or renewed their commitments forms. It is very important for the future of our parish that we have all the forms returned. If you have not yet done so, **please bring back your commitment form** as soon as possible. If you've lost your form, or need another for any reason, please contact Michele M at themitchells01@bigpond.com.

CREATION MONTH GREEN TIP 2

Turn the oven off a few minutes early and the heat will continue to cook the food as you plate up. This also applies to the stove top when boiling food.

BOOK SALE in ST PETER'S HALL

Saturday September 16, 9.00am - 2.00pm

- Helping with set up on Wed, Thurs, Fri
- Distributing flyers while on your walk
- Making cakes and jams for sale
- Helping sell on Saturday
- Helping with packing up on Sat afternoon.

Please put your name on the roster!
Any queries: Garry Plumridge or Hilary.



ANGLICAN 2024 CALENDARS

Michele is now taking orders for the 2024 Anglican Calendar – the cost this year will be \$16 per calendar. Please order via Michele asap, either at church or on Email: themitchells01@bigpond.com or Phone: 0408 531 045.

INTERMENT OF ASHES Sunday 10th September

The ashes of Murray George Armstrong (father of Miriam) will be interred today after the morning service.

MOTHERS UNION

Important – Please note **change of date** for the next meeting:
The meeting is now on **Tuesday 26 Sept**, *not* Wednesday.

ALTAR RAIL

Because of the awkwardness of moving the heavy rail and central cushion we will trial a month of not using either. If you wish to kneel for Holy Communion, please go to the sides where the rail is permanently in place. Those who stand to receive Holy Communion, please be aware of people heading for the side sections and of gaps you can fill. Thank you. Acting Vicar

WHERE IS LARS NOW?

Still pedalling furiously through the Holy Land!

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...

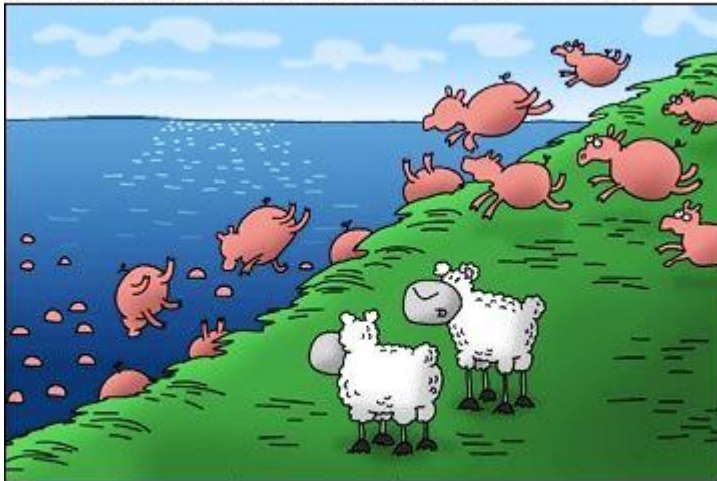
Q: How many atheists does it take to change a light bulb?

A: None – there's no point, since atheists refuse to see the light.

Q: How many creationists does it take to change a light bulb?

A: None – they just wait for God to say, "Let there be light."

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I'D SAY IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS THAT GOD
PREFERS SHEEP

Week Ahead

SUNDAY 10.09.23

Fifteenth 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 11.09.23

9.30-10.30am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon *Undercroft*

TUES 12.09.23

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

9.00-1.00pm Men at Work

6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing *hall*

WED 13.09.23

10.30am Eucharist

9.30-11.30am Play group (*kindergarten*)

10.00-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*

1.00-5.00pm Book Sale set up, *hall*

8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 14.09.23

10am-12.30pm Book Sale set up, *hall*

1.30 – 4.30pm Book Sale set up, *hall*

6.00-9.00pm Sudanese prayer, *church*

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *Undercroft*

FRI 15.09.23

8.30-11.30am Office open

10am-12.30pm Book Sale set up, *hall*

1.30 – 4.30pm Book Sale set up, *hall*

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 16.09.23

9.00am – 2.00pm Book Sale, *hall*

SUNDAY 17.09.23

Sixteenth 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

September 3

Creation Season starts

September 12

Parish Council Meeting

7.30pm, Undercroft

September 16

Book Sale, 9am-2pm, *hall*

September 26 Tuesday

Mothers' Union Meeting

(*not on Wednesday this month*)

October 1

Blessing of the Pets

October 15

Shoobox Sunday

November 3

First Sunday of Advent

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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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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

	Today 10.09.23	Next week 17.09.23
SIDESPEOPLE	Noel W, Rob K	Michele M, Barbara P
SERVERS	Michele M, Elizabeth B, <i>Garry M</i>	Rosemary S, Judy J, <i>Garry M</i>
READERS	Michele M, Garry P	Elizabeth B, Conrad H
INTERCESSOR	Elizabeth B	Michele M
COUNTING	Elizabeth B, Margaret R	Hilary B, Margaret R
MORNING TEA	Rosemary S , Peter W, Jenny F	Cecilia , Jan G, Margaret R

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.