



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL
17 September 2023
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Parish
Link



Hymns: Introit: 137 omit v. 3&4 • Psalm: 114 • Gradual: 635 •
Offertory: 648 • Communion: 185 • Final: 147

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: If you, O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. Psalm 130.3–4

Prayer of the Day

O God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 14.19-31

¹⁹ The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. ²⁰ It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. ²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. ²² The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. ²³ The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. ²⁴ At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. ²⁵ He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.' ²⁶ Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' ²⁷ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. ²⁸ The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. ²⁹ But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. ³⁰ Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. ³¹ Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

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

Psalm: 114

¹ When Israel came out of Egypt:

and the house of Jacob from among a people of an alien tongue,

² **Judah became his sanctuary: and Israel his dominion.**

³ The sea saw that, and fled: Jordan was driven back.

⁴ **The mountains skipped like rams: and the little hills like young sheep.**

⁵ What ailed you, O sea, that you fled: O Jordan, that you were driven back?

⁶ **You mountains, that you skipped like rams:
and you little hills like young sheep?**

⁷ Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord:

at the presence of the God of Jacob,

⁸ **Who turned the rock into a pool of water:
and the flint-stone into a welling spring.**

Second Reading: Romans 14.1-14

¹ Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. ² Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables.

³ Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵ Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶ Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. ⁷ We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸ If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰ Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. ¹¹ For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' ¹² So then, each of us will be accountable to God. ¹³ Let us therefore no longer pass judgement on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling-block or hindrance in the way of another. ¹⁴ I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself; but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean.

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 21

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

²¹ Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' ²² Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. ²³ 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵ and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." ²⁹ Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." ³⁰ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt ³¹ When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" ³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. ³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

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

Prayer of the Week

O God, without you we are not able to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Years Mind

Eric Collins, Christine Miller, Madge Jamieson, Orm Johnston, Margaret Hart, Nellie Stuckey, Ted Watson, and Norman Langley, whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Prayer Points

The Church: St Columb's Anglican Church Hawthorn (Mark McDonald, Paul Hughes); The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; The Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn (Bp Mark Short, Asst Bp Carol Wagner, Clergy & People); Department of Theological Education (Bp Kate Prowd, Assistant Bishop, Monomeeth Episcopate); Confirmations at St John the Evangelist Epping (Bp Brad Billings); Pastoral visits to St Paul's Cathedral – (Bp Kate Prowd); St Andrew's Aberfeldie (Abp Philip Freier); Health Chaplains Service – St Paul's Cathedral (Abp Philip Freier).

The Parish: Give thanks for our successful Book Sale & for all our volunteers.

The World: Pray for people left homeless, injured and bereaved by disasters.

The Nation: Pray for our doctors, nurses and ambulance paramedics.

Daily Readings

Monday	1 Timothy 2.1-8	Ps 28	Luke 7.1-10
Tuesday	1 Timothy 3.1-13	Ps 101.1-7	Luke 7.11-17
Wednesday	1 Timothy 3.14-16	Ps 111.1-6	Luke 7.31-35
Thursday	1 Timothy 4.12-16	Ps 111.7-10	Luke 7.36-50
Friday	1 Timothy 6.2c-12	Ps 49.5-9	Luke 8.1-3
Saturday	1 Timothy 6.13-16	Ps 100	Luke 8.4-15



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

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.

CREATION MONTH GREEN TIP 3

Plan ahead and put frozen food in the fridge to thaw.
Defrosted food reduces the cooking time.

RECYCLING

Don't forget that Jan will take your plastic milk and soft drink bottle tops, as well as ring pulls from cans (these go to Masonic Lodge for prosthetics). She also takes bread (ties) to deliver these to relevant outlets for recycling.

SAMARITANS PURSE

Boxes are available now for Samaritans Purse. There are starter bags available from Jan for \$10. If you want to be part of this very worthwhile outreach project you can get her to do a Box for you, or make a donation towards freight for boxes. This year with price rises on everything, freight has risen to \$12.50. Talk to Jan.

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.

MOTHERS UNION

Important – Please note **change of date** for the next meeting only:

The meeting is now on **Tuesday 26 Sept**, *not* Wednesday.

Speaker: Assistant Chaplain from Mission to Seafarers. 1.30 pm

BLESSING OF THE PETS

Bring your pet to our Blessing Service on Sunday, October 1.



WHERE IS LARS NOW?

Lars has had a break this week because of Covid. But at this stage his total journey completed: 981.19km (32%). Just 18.81km to do to reach 1,000km. Thank you all for making donations.

Donate through our bank account, using the reference **AED**.

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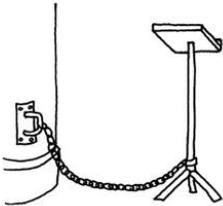
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TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

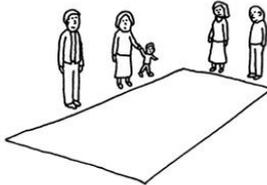
A little girl told her mother, "We went to a confirmation service at the cathedral and I saw the bishop. Now I know what a crook looks like!"

SACRED ITEMS

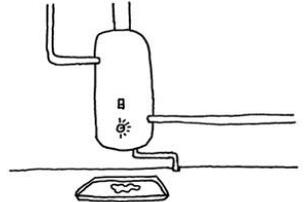
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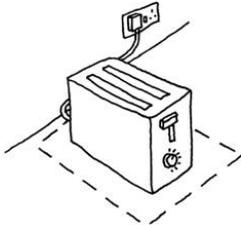
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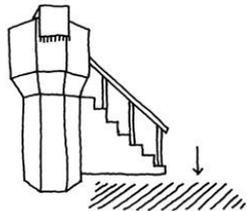
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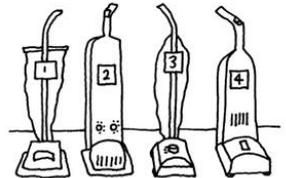
LEAVE THIS TRAY UNDER THE
BOILER TO CATCH DRIPS



THE CHURCH KITCHEN TOASTER
MUST REMAIN WITHIN THESE LINES



THE NATIVITY CAN ONLY BE
PLACED IN THIS SPOT



THIS IS HOW WE PARK
THE VACUUM CLEANERS

Week Ahead

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*

MON 18.09.23

9.30-10.30am Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon *Undercroft*

TUES 19.09.23

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

9.00-1.00pm Men at Work

6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing *hall*

WED 20.09.23

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 21.09.23

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 22.09.23

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 23.09.23

9.00am – 2.00pm Book Sale, *hall*

SUNDAY 24.09.23

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Eucharist, **9.30am** Eucharist

11.30am Mandarin service

2.00-3.00pm Alpha Course, *office*

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

Creation Season

September 26 Tuesday

Mothers' Union Meeting

(*not on Wednesday this month*)

October 1

Blessing of the Pets

October 13

Referendum voting in church hall

Fundraising stall outside

October 15

Shoebox 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 17.09.23	Next week 24.09.23
SIDESPEOPLE	Michele M, Barbara P	Elizabeth B, Martin F
SERVERS	Rosemary S, Elizabeth B, <i>Garry M</i>	Michele M, Rosemary S, <i>Garry M</i>
READERS	Laurence L, Elizabeth B	Hilary B, Kim C
INTERCESSOR	Sophia E/ Jan	Michele M
COUNTING	Charles B, Lyn B	Michele M, Garry P
MORNING TEA	Cecilia , Jan G, Margaret R	Barbara P , Dianne A, Keith W

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.