



ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

8 October 2023

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Parish Link

Reverend Anne writes...

Today we explore the Ten Commandments given by God to Moses. I wonder if you've ever sat and pondered this passage? The study of God's Word often leads us to look deeper into the meaning of the words on the page, connecting us more deeply with the will of God for us. What depth of understanding of these Commandments can you discover that reflects your own life?

We also read in the Letter to the Philippians how accepting Jesus Christ as our Lord changes our whole lives – nothing is the same again – while Matthew's Gospel tells how easy it is to reject God's will, and give up what's really important.

Blessings, Anne



Hymns: Introit: 134, omit v4 • Psalm: Hymn 7 • Gradual: words on sheet •
Offertory: 433 • Communion: 222 • Final: 462

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, let us press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3.13b–14

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your Son Jesus was the stone rejected by the builders, and, by your doing, he has been made the chief cornerstone: grant that, by the power of his Spirit working in us, we may become living stones built up into your dwelling place, a temple holy and acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and 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 20.1–4, 20.7–9, 20.12–20

¹ Then God spoke all these words: ² I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁷ You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸ Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹ For six days you shall labour and do all your work. ¹² Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³ You shall not murder. ¹⁴ You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ You shall not steal. ¹⁶ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. ¹⁷ You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour. ¹⁸ When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, ¹⁹ and said to Moses, 'You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.'
²⁰ Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.'

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

Psalm: 19

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God:
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
² **One day tells it to another: and night to night communicates knowledge.**
³ There is no speech or language: nor are their voices heard;
⁴ **Yet their sound has gone out through all the world:
and their words to the ends of the earth.**

- ⁵ There he has pitched a tent for the sun:
which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber,
and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
- ⁶ **Its rising is at one end of the heavens,
and its circuit to their farthest bound:
and nothing is hidden from its heat.**
- ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul:
the command of the Lord is true,
and makes wise the simple.
- ⁸ **The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart:
the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.**
- ⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever:
the judgements of the Lord are unchanging, and righteous every one.
- ¹⁰ **More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold:
sweeter also than honey, than the honey that drips from the comb.**
- ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant taught:
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹² **Who can know their own unwitting sins?:
O cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- ¹³ Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins,
lest they get the mastery over me: so I shall be clean,
and innocent of great offence.
- ¹⁴ **May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight: O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

Second Reading: Philippians 3

¹ Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is not troublesome to me, and for you it is a safeguard. ² Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of those who mutilate the flesh! ³ For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh— ⁴ even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do:

forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. ¹⁶ Only let us hold fast to what we have attained. ¹⁷ Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸ For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. ¹⁹ Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹ He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew 21, Chapter 21, beginning at verse 33

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³³ 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' ⁴¹ They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.' ⁴² Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"?' ⁴³ Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.' ⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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

Prayer of the Week

Generous God, whose hand is open to fill all things living with plenteousness: make us ever thankful for your goodness, and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Years Mind

Joan Wiltshire, Fr David Orange, Walter Kuhn, Joyce Brown, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Points

The Church: City on a Hill Melbourne West Maribyrnong (Luke Nelson); The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia; Archdeaconry of Williamstown (Glenn Buijs); Pastoral visits to: Church of Epiphany Hoppers Crossing (Bp Brad Billings); Christ Church Geelong (Bp Brad Billings); St Faith's Glen Iris (Bp Kate Prowd); St Paul's North Caulfield (Bp Genieve Blackwell)

The Parish: Pray for the upcoming Synod in Melbourne.

The World: Pray for those made homeless by war and all refugees seeking a home.

The Nation: Pray for the nation as people vote in the referendum.

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 35.1-7	Luke 6.20-26
Thursday	Colossians 3.12-17	Ps 150	Luke 6.27-38
Friday	1 Timothy 1.1-2, 12-14	Ps 16.7-11	Luke 6.39-42
Saturday	1 Timothy 1.15-17	Ps 113	Luke 6.43-40



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



SAMARITANS PURSE

Next Sunday is Shoe Box Sunday! Bring your boxes on the day, or leave them in the office during the week if you can't come on the Sunday.

REFERENDUM STALL ROSTER

Please let Hilary know if you can help for any time on the referendum stall on Saturday, October 14. We are drawing up a roster.

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.

PRAYER WALK WEEK – 8-15TH October

Whitehorse Churches Care – a great opportunity for us to join in prayer across churches and across the City of Whitehorse. People are encouraged to register at (<https://whitehorsechurchescare.org.au/prayer>) to help give us a picture of prayer across the City. There are resources to help you at the website. Let's know if you are going to be part of this great initiative!

BARRY MARSHALL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Date: Tuesday 31 October 2023, Time: 7.30 – 8.30pm

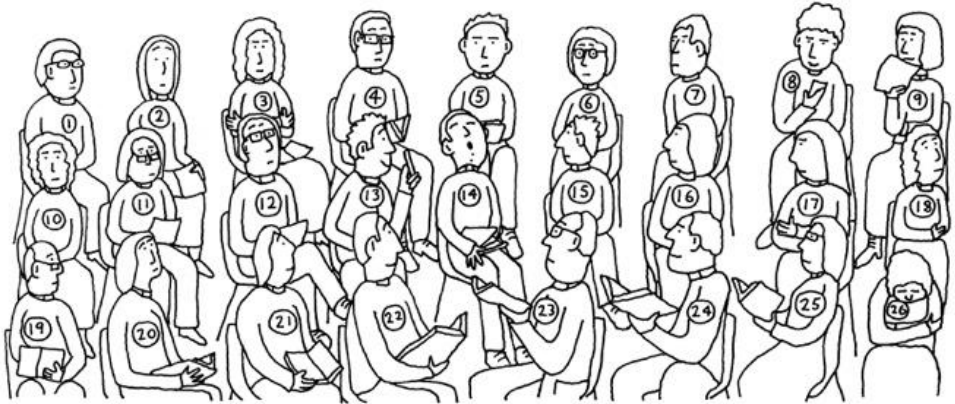
Where: Buzzard Lecture Theatre, Evan Burge Building, Trinity College
100 Royal Parade, Parkville VIC 3052

RSVP: By COB Tuesday 24 October 2023.

Enquiries: Briony O'Halloran | 03 8341 0216

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

THE CLERGY CONFERENCE



① IS IT COFFEE BREAK SOON?

② I COULD HAVE BEEN AN ASTRONAUT

③ IT IS SO COLD IN HERE

④ HOPE THE CATS ARE OK

⑤ WISH HE'D SNORE QUIETLY

⑥ HOW RUDE!

⑦ OH NO – HE'S MY ROOM MATE

⑧ OOH – FACEBOOK MESSAGE!

⑨ IT IS SO HOT IN HERE

⑩ WHAT TIME SHALL I PHONE?

⑪ SO MUCH TO DO WHEN I RETURN

⑫ WHICH PUB SHALL WE GO TO?

⑬ I'M TWEETING THIS

⑭ Z Z Z Z

⑮ HE MIGHT MISS SOMETHING

⑯ HOW VERY EMBARRASSING

⑰ WHY AM I HERE AGAIN?

⑱ LOOK AT THOSE FIELDS

⑲ CAN WE GET BACK TO THE TEXT?

⑳ WONDER WHAT'S FOR DINNER

㉑ ISN'T ⑮ LOVELY?

㉒ SERMON ILLUSTRATION!

㉓ OH DEAR – DRIBBLE

㉔ WHEN I'M BISHOP ALL THIS WILL BE MINE

㉕ WOULDN'T MIND HIS PARISH

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Week Ahead

SUNDAY 8.10.23

Nineteenth 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*

MON 9.10.23

6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon *Undercroft*

TUES 10.10.23

8.30am-12.30pm Office open

9.00-1.00pm Men at Work

6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing *hall*

7.30pm Parish Council Meeting, *U'croft*

WED 11.10.23

10.30am Eucharist

9.30-11.30am Play group

10.00-11.30am Tai Chi *hall*

8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, *Undercroft*

THU 12.10.23

6.00-9.00pm Sudanese prayer, *church*

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, *Undercroft*

FRI 13.10.23

8.30am -12.30pm Office open

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 14.10.23

Referendum voting, *hall*

BBQ & Fundraising stall outside hall

SUNDAY 15.10.23

SHOEBOX SUNDAY

Twentieth 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

October 10

Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

October 13

Referendum voting in church hall

Fundraising stall outside

October 15

Shoebox Sunday

November 3

First Sunday of Advent

November 11

Music afternoon

November 19

Parish Annual General Meeting

December 15

Mothers Union Christmas lunch

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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.



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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 8.10.23	Next week 15.10.23
SIDESPEOPLE	Noel W, Rob K	Michele M, Barbara P
SERVERS	Elizabeth B, Judy J, <i>Garry M</i>	Rosemary S, Elizabeth B, <i>Kim C</i>
READERS	Judy J, Conrad H	Edwin C, Jan G
INTERCESSOR	Elizabeth B	Sophia E/Judy J
COUNTING	Elizabeth B, Charles B	Lyn B, Michele M
MORNING TEA	Rosemary S , Peter W, Barbara Moss	Cecilia , Margaret R, Jan G

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.