

ANGLICAN PARISH OF BOX HILL

29 October 2023 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Parish Link

The Vicar writes...

Moses, after leading the Israelites out of exile in Egypt, comes to the end of his life. But he has a plan in place for succession, a plan initiated by God much earlier. Succession planning is an important part of Church life, as we continue to pass the baton of duty and care for our congregations on to the next generation.

As we relinquish roles and duties, we know that God has an eternal plan for us all – the Church will continue to support the needy, the oppressed, and the hurting in our community, by enabling fresh eyes and new ideas to stimulate and encourage those brave enough to call themselves Christians. The Two Great Commandments will be our mainstay.

Blessings, Anne



Hymns: Introit: 111, omit v 4 • Psalm: TiS 47 • Gradual: 641• Offertory: 534 • Communion: 428 • Final: 526

4th Sunday of the month retiring collection for parish outreach

Sentence: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. Matthew 22.37–40

Prayer of the Day: O God, whose Son has taught us that love is the fulfilment of your law: stir up within us the fire of your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts your greatest gift of love, so that we may love you with our whole being, and our neighbours as ourselves; 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: Deuteronomy 34.1-12

¹ Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ² all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, 3 the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. 4 The Lord said to him, 'This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, "I will give it to your descendants"; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.' 5 Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. ⁶ He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷ Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. 8 The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. 9 Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. 10 Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. 11 He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, 12 and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

Psalm: 90.1-6 & 13-17

¹ Lord, you have been our refuge: from one generation to another.

² Before the mountains were born or the earth and the world were brought to be: from eternity to eternity you are God.

- ³ You turn us back into dust: saying 'Return to dust, O children of Adam.'
- ⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday passing: or like one watch of the night.
- ⁵ You cut them short like a dream: like the fresh grass of the morning;
- ⁶ In the morning it is green and flourishes: at evening it is withered and dried up.
- ¹³ Relent, O Lord; how long will you be angry?: take pity on your servants.
- ¹⁴ O satisfy us early with your mercy: that all our days we may rejoice and sing.
- ¹⁵ Give us joy for all the days you have afflicted us: for the years we have suffered adversity.
- ¹⁶ Show your servants your work: and let their children see your glory.
- ¹⁷ May the gracious favour of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper the work of our hands, O prosper the work of our hands!

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2.1–13

¹ You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain. ² but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi. as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³ For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, 4 but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. 5 As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed: 6 nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷ though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. 8 So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us. 9 You remember our labour and toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. ¹⁰ You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was towards you believers. 11 As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, 12 urging and encouraging you and pleading that you should lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory. 13 We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, Chapter 22, beginning at verse 34

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵ and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' ³⁷ He said to him, '"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." ³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.' ⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴² 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' ⁴³ He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴ "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet' "? ⁴⁵ If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' ⁴⁶ No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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

Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, give to us the increase of faith, hope and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us to love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Years Mind

Leonard Wilson, Ivy Hobba, Phyllis Yong, Louisa Vernon, Shirley Walter, and Len Hodges, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Prayer Points

The Church: St James the Less Anglican Church Mount Eliza (Tanya Cummings); The Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Diocese of North West Australia (Bp Darrell Parker, Clergy & People); Archdeaconry of Essendon (Vanessa Bennett); Pastoral visits to Bacchus Marsh, Balliang with Myrniong Parish, Combined service (Bp Brad Billings); St John's Wandong (Abp Philip Freier); All Saints' Preston (Bp Kate Prowd); ACME (Bp Genieve Blackwell).

The Parish: Pray for all those grieving and give thanks for those gone before us.

The World: Pray for an end to conflict in Ukraine, Israel and Gaza.

The Nation: Give thanks for the work of community volunteers.

Daily Readings

Monday	Romans 8.12-17	Ps 68.15-20	Luke 13.10-17
Tuesday	Romans 8.18-25	Ps 126	Luke 13.18-21
Wednesday	Romans 8.26-30	Ps 13	Luke 13.22-30
Thursday	Romans 8.31b-39	Ps 109.25-30	Luke 13.31-35
Friday	Romans 9.1-5	Ps 29	John 5.19-29
Saturday	Romans 11.1-12, 25-29	Ps 94.12-18	Luke 14.1, 7-11



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

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll for the Anglican congregations of Box Hill is an official document and is a list of all those who are members of the Anglican Parish of St Peter's and regularly attend worship in the parish. (It is different from the Parish Roll.) Please check to see if your name is on the Electoral Roll, which is at the back of the church, and see Rev'd Anne if you think your name has been omitted, or you are new to the congregation and want to have your name added. Thursday 2 November is the last day for names to be added.

WINE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Here is the link to the online wine drive order form. (If required, paper forms available from Hilary.) The cost for local delivery remains at \$9.00. (Sometimes you can pool together your orders to share this delivery cost.) https://prospectwines.com.au/product/box-hill-anglican-church/

AGM

Reports for the AGM are due by **November 2**. Please send them to the parish secretary, Garry P, or to the Parish Office: anglicans.boxhill@bigpond.com It is very helpful if they are written in Word and *not* a pdf.

OLD-FASHIONED MOVIE AFTERNOON November 11

Book your seat for this fun afternoon. A donation of \$10 will be collected at the door but **tickets must be pre-booked**. There is a booking sheet at the back of the church. Start time: 2.30pm.

Program:

Early Bird watcher

Exciting Serial, featuring old-fashioned heroes

Two cartoons, Passing Parade, Pete Smith Specialties (comedy)

INTERVAL

Main film: family film – *Ticket to Tomahawk*, with Dan Daly and Anne Baxter Donation includes afternoon tea and there will be bags of lollies for sale.

HOLY COMMUNION ON ALL SOULS DAY Thursday 2 November at 7.30pm. Please add to the list at the welcoming desk the names of people who have died, who you would like to be read out at this service. Contact the Vicar if you are unable to add to the list personally, and the name will be included.

TO MAKE YOU SMILE...

Some years ago a man and his ever-nagging wife went on vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there, the wife passed away. The undertaker told the husband, "You can have her shipped home for \$10,000, or you can bury her here, in the Holy Land, for \$500."

The man thought about it and told him he would just have her shipped home.

The undertaker asked, "Why would you spend \$10,000 to ship your wife home, when it would be wonderful to be buried here and you would only spend \$500?"

The man replied, "Long ago a man died here, was buried here, and three days later he rose from the dead. I just can't take that risk."



After 39 1/2 years of wandering in the desert, Mrs Moses secretly asks for directions.

Week Ahead

SUNDAY 29.10.23

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist

9.30am Farsi Service, kindergarten

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

MON 30.10.23

6.30-8.30pm Tai Chi *hall*

6.30-9.00pm Narc Anon Undercroft

TUES 31.10.23

8.30am-12.30pm Office open **9.00-1.00pm** Men at Work

6.00-8.00pm Bellydancing hall

WED 1.11.23

10.30am Eucharist

9.30-11.30am Play group, kindergarten

10.00-11.30am Tai Chi hall

8.00-9.00pm Choir practice, Undercroft

THU 2.11.23

6.00-9.00pm Sudanese prayer, church

6.30-9.30pm Crossways ESL, Undercroft

FRI 3.11.23

8.30am -12.30pm Office open

5.30-9.30pm Mandarin Prayer Group

SAT 4.11.23

10.30am-1.30pm Sat School, hall & Undercroft

SUNDAY 5.11.23

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Eucharist, 9.30am Eucharist

9.30am Farsi Service, kindergarten

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

For the Diary

November 2

Service for All Souls' Day, 7.30pm

November 5

Celebration of All Saints' Day

November 11

Old-Fashioned Movie afternoon, Undercroft, 2.30pm

November 19

Parish Annual General Meeting

December 3 Advent Sunday

9.30am service

Dedication of new windows in chapel

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.



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

	Today 29.10.23	Next week 5.11.23
SIDESPEOPLE	Martin F, Dianne A,	Sandra L, Noel W
SERVERS	Elizabeth B, Rosemary S, Garry M	Michele M, Judy J, Kim C
READERS	Charles B, Linda B	Margaret D, Barbara P
INTERCESSOR	Keith W	Elizabath B
COUNTING	Margaret R, Elizabeth B	Charles B, Michele M
MORNING TEA	Cecilia, Jan G, Lyn B	Elizabeth B, Laurence L, Lyn B

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.