

All Souls & St Agnes

*Walking together with Christ
in Sandringham & Black Rock*

Sunday 17 September 2017



Is there
anyone you
need to
forgive?



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Exodus 14.19-31

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. 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. 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. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. 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. 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." 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." 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. 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. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 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.

Hear 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.

Welcome

Ministry Team

Vicar: Rev'd Philip Higgins
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Ministers: The whole congregation

This morning we **welcome** to **St Agnes**, **Richenda Harrison** a volunteer from **Cranbourne Botanic Gardens** who will speak this morning.

All Souls Mission News

This month's **donations** go to the **Bush Church Aid**. The contents of the **Pantry Basket** go to the **Asylum Seeker Centre**.

Thank you to all who helped with the BCA lunch last Wednesday.

Samaritan's Purse Christmas Boxes: You still have time to fill a box (there are some at the back of All Souls' church). If filling a box is too difficult, you are welcome to donate some items rather than a whole box. Boxes can be returned now and left in the chapel. All boxes need to be returned by **Sunday 29 October**.

Red tablecloths at All Souls have gone missing. If you find you have them, please return to the church.

A Season of Creation at St Agnes

A focus on God's natural creation, its gifts and challenges to humanity

Today – Forest Sunday

Speaker: Richenda Harrison

24 September – Land Sunday

Speaker: Valerie Tarrant

1 October - River Sunday

Speaker: Bruce Everett

Anglican Church Calendars are now available for ordering. Please use the ordering form at the back of the church.

Dates for your All Souls' Diary

Sunday 29 October

Celebrating All Souls Day with Bishop Paul Barker

Sunday 29 October

Sandringham Festival where we will have a stall

Sunday 12 November

One service at 9 am followed by **Statutory Annual Meeting**

Visitor Information - Sandringham

Gluten free communion wafers are available – please ask when you come to receive communion.

Toilets: Toilets are located through the main doors into the Lounge and to the right. A disabled toilet is located at the end of the Lounge, off the landing.

Baby Change Table: can be found in the disabled toilet.

Hearing: A hearing loop is installed in the church for your convenience. Please turn your hearing aid to 'T' and sit on the right hand side of the church (south side).

Emergency Procedures: Please note your nearest door. In an emergency, the two side doors will be opened. Those on duty will assist all people to leave safely.

Please note: Food served after the worship services may contain traces of nuts and eggs.

Parish Council Members are wearing green name tags

Family Ministry Coordinator:

Leonie Dekker

Pastoral Care: Viv Pye

Director of Music: Warwick Lewis

Lay Readers: Connie Cohen

Jenny Mill

Anne Saunders

Contact Details: Please fill in cards provided in pews

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Missionaries: Andrew & Dominique Gifford CMS

Healing Ministry

If you would like to make a prayer request for yourself, or for someone else, we have a prayer chain. Please advise a staff member of the need. If wishing to list others, we do so once you assure us that you have their permission.

On the **Second Sunday** of the month, healing prayers take place in the chapel (to the right of

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Sandringham Weekly Offertory: 10 September 2017

Total Collections: \$ 2,191.80 (target \$1,925.00)

Total Mission: \$212.50

Target Year to Date: \$ 98,250.00

Year to Date: \$ 110,389.25

Direct Credit Bank Details:

BSB: 633-108 Account Number: 1569 73398

Bloody Long Walk: Sunday 5th November Cost: \$110

Start time: Provided when you register. Groups start in waves.
Route: Follow the iconic route of the Yarra River from Melbourne's northern parklands to the vibrant atmosphere of Southbank, follow the stunning coastline to finish at the beaches of St Kilda.

Website: <http://www.bloodylongwalk.com.au/melbourne/>

Proceeds support research into Mitochondrial disease. Mito is a debilitating genetic disorder that robs the body's cells of energy, causing multiple organ dysfunction or failure and potentially death.

Dear Friends,

Let me share some news with you:

Garden of the Resurrection

Many of you will recall that at our last Strategic Annual Meeting (I'm using the new diocesan terminology as previously we would have talked about our annual parochial meeting) we discussed developing the Garden of the Resurrection so that we might make fuller use of the space provided there. In fact, in the past year, some of the plants died and we have been made aware that in the 'tomb area' there are some loose rocks and, in fact, the low rock walls are a safety hazard.

The parish council is determined to improve the look of the place so that it is a fitting place for the ashes of loved ones, but also a useful space for parish activities. We have had some plans drawn up and some of you have seen them – not that they were a secret, but we shall make them available for a couple of Sundays for you to familiarize yourselves again with them.

We shall take some space from the vicarage garden and so create a larger garden for the parish. The early part of the development will consist of removing that which is past its use-by date. Then we shall be able to imagine how the space might more fully be utilized and so confirm the plans drawn up.

The parish council wishes to maintain the traditional purpose of the garden as a resting place for loved ones, but also to create a space for adults to relax outside of the building and provide an area where children can play. As you all know sometimes parents get hurried along by their children after church and yet we want people to 'hang around'. We plan to have some areas where children will be happy to spend time together whilst they wait for mum and dad.

Anticipate the work commencing soon. Imagine the improved spaces. Encourage the members of the parish council to get on with the work.

Mission Giving

At the last parish council meeting it was agreed that we should be more committed to mission giving beyond the parish. It was agreed to prepare a budget for next year whereby 10% of our

income will go to mission – 5% to local mission and 5% to overseas mission. When we consider how God has blessed us financially we appreciate that it is our duty to share what we have and be proactive in promoting the gospel of Jesus Christ.

People of the Cross

Margie and I have enrolled in the summer conference of the Church Missionary Society from 17th – 20th January 2018. Next year the theme will be People of the Cross. Why not take advantage of the early-bird registration and enrol now to join us there? Look for the brochures in the narthex or go online to www.summerundertheson.org

The Youth camp will be from 16 – 20 January 2018 at Rawson Village Campsite with the theme Hope of the World. Go to YOUTH.VIC@CMS.ORG.AU

And remember, please, keep the parish covered in prayer.
Blessings,

Philip

This Week with Philip

Dear Friends,

A warm welcome to Richenda Harrison (Clem's sister) who is addressing the congregation at St Agnes' Church today.

The guest speaker for All Souls, The Rev'd Dr Canon Richard Trist (I first knew him when he was plain Richard!) is sick and so cannot join us today. He will come again on another occasion.

Last Wednesday a group of 34 gathered at All Souls for the Bush Church Aid (BCA) lunch and to hear The Rev'd David and Mrs Crystal Fells. This couple live and minister on Norfolk Island. Interestingly on Norfolk Island our church is still called the Church of England and David is the chaplain to the two congregations there. A number of people helped to make the lunch such a success and I want to thank Barbara Harrison, Bev Wyld, Chris Wallis and Jan Rich for providing such delicious soups. Naturally other items were on the tables too. Greg Mariner, Keith Ainley and Keith Thompson helped greatly in setting up and putting things away afterwards. We all left the lunch knowing a great deal more about the ministry of BCA and in particular the work of David and Crystal. David Fells was particularly moved to have one member of the All Souls' congregation say how pleased she was to meet him given that she prays for him regularly.

Of all the churches we visited in the UK on our recent trip the last one was the most conservative. It was St Mary Abbots in Kensington, close to the hotel in which we stayed. Amongst notable parishioners were David Cameron, PD James, Beatrix Potter, Sir Isaac Newton, The Princess of Wales. I imagine now that my name has been added to the list. It was a church in which I was very aware of the church wardens undertaking their duties. They had special pews, marked by their wardens' wands, and certainly took their roles very seriously. If a child but whimpered the wardens would turn around and absolutely glare at them. The child or the parent responded as desired and either fell silent or left the building. I sat thinking that I was glad that the wardens in Black Rock and Sandringham were far more generous in their attitudes to children – even loving. Amazingly there were a lot of children at St Mary Abbots Church. Does anybody know who St Mary Abbots is?

Blessings, *Philip*

What's On This Week in Sandringham

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Monday 18 September

5.30 pm Christian Meditation - Bingham Room

Tuesday 19 September

9.30 am Play on Bay Playgroup - Lounge

11.00 am Mercy Fernhill - HC - Philip

Wednesday 20 September

10.00 am **Holy Communion** - Lounge

11.00 am Op Shop Meeting - Lounge

4.30 pm **Community Use** - Lounge

Thursday 21 September

10.00 am Play on Bay Playgroup - Lounge

7.00 pm Choir practice - Barbara Darling Room

Friday 22 September

9.30 am Prayer Group - Bingham Room

Saturday 23 September

9.30 am **Community Use** - Lounge

What's On This Week in Black Rock

Monday 18 September

7.45 pm Parish Council - Narthex

Wednesday 20 September

10.00 am **Prayers for the parish followed by Holy Communion**
(followed by morning tea)

Friday 22 September

9.30 am Working Bee for Saturday Recycle

Saturday 23 September

9.00 am Saturday Recycle

Sunday 24 September

9.15 am Choir Practice

NEXT SUNDAY: 24 September 2017

Sandringham:

Celebrant & Preacher: Philip Higgins

8.00 am **Holy Communion**

10.00 am **Holy Communion**

Readings: Exodus 16.2-15 Psalm 105.1-6, 37-45
Philippians 1.21-30 Matthew 20.1-16

Black Rock:

Celebrant & Preacher: Clem Taplin

8.00 am **Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Clem Taplin *Speaker:* Valerie Tarrant

10.00 am **Sung Eucharist**

Readings: Genesis 1:9-12 Psalm 8:3-10 Ephesians 3:14-19 Matthew 13:1-8

Romans 14.1-14

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment 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. 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. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. 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. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God. Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of another. 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.

Hear the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.
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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew 18.21-35

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

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?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; 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. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. 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.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. 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. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sandringham

Celebrant & Preacher: Philip Higgins

8.00 am Holy Communion

Hymns:

161 - Tell Out My Soul

393 - Christ is Alive (omit v 2)

10.00 am Contemporary Communion

Songs:

Come people of the risen King

This is my desire

Hear our praises

Splendour of the King

Shout to the North

Black Rock

10.00 am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: Clem Taplin

Speaker: Richenda Harrison

Hymns:

418 -She sits like a bird

427 - Lord your word abiding

518 - For the bread and for the wine

The Bell of Creation

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.

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*No matter what befalls us,
the Lord walks with us on the path,
bringing us courage and hope.*

*No matter what,
we belong to the Lord,
now and forever.*