



**Anglican Parish of Kilmore,
Broadford, Pyalong and Tallarook**

**5th Sunday after Epiphany
7th February 2021**



*As we gather in prayer today, we acknowledge the Taungurung people who are the traditional custodians of this land. We pay respects to the past and present Elders of the Kulin nation and extend that respect to any Aboriginals present. Welcome to all, especially, to newcomers and visitors. **Please observe social distance and sanitise your hands on entering and when you leave the church. Please have your mask on during the service and remove only on receiving communion.** Our service starts on page 119 of *A Prayer Book for Australia**

HYMNS: 207, 446, 454, 275

SENTENCE

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles. *Isaiah 40.31*

THE COLLECT

Saving God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, healed the sick and brought them wholeness of body and mind: inspire us, his disciples, so that we may constantly proclaim his gospel by our words and by the dedication and integrity of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah chapter 40.21 – 31

²¹ Do you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood since the earth was founded? ²² He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in. ²³ He brings princes to naught and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing. ²⁴ No sooner are they planted, no sooner are they sown, no sooner do they take root in the ground, than he blows on them and they wither, and a whirlwind sweeps them away like chaff. ²⁵ ‘To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?’ says the Holy One. ²⁶ Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing. ²⁷ Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, ‘My way is hidden from the Lord; my cause is disregarded by my God’? ²⁸ Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. ²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. ³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; ³¹ but those who hope in the will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow each reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 147.1 - 11

The Lord is rebuilding Jerusalem: he is gathering together the scattered outcasts of Israel. He heals the broken in spirit: and binds up their wounds. He counts the number of the stars: and calls them all by name. Great is our Lord and great is his power: there is no measuring his understanding. **O praise the Lord, call on God’s name forever.**

The Lord restores the humble: but he brings down the wicked to the dust. O sing to the Lord a song of thanksgiving: sing praises to our God upon the harp. He covers the heavens with cloud and prepares rain for the earth: and makes the grass to sprout up on the mountains. He gives the cattle their food: and feeds the young ravens that call to him. **O praise the Lord, call on God's name forever.**

He takes no pleasure in the strength of a horse: nor does he delight in any one's legs. But the Lord's delight is in those that fear him: who wait in hope for his mercy. **O praise the Lord, call on God's name forever.**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians chapter 9.16 – 23

Paul writes, ¹⁶ For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷ If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me. ¹⁸ What then is my reward? Just this: that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make full use of my rights as a preacher of the gospel. ¹⁹ Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰ To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹ To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

Hear the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow each reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He bore our sickness and endured our suffering.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark, Chapter 1.29 – 39

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰ Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. ³¹ So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. ³² That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all who were ill and demon-possessed. ³³ The whole town gathered at the door, ³⁴ and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was. ³⁵ Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. ³⁶ Simon and his companions went to look for him, ³⁷ and when they found him, they exclaimed: 'Everyone is looking for you!' ³⁸ Jesus replied, 'Let us go somewhere else – to the nearby villages – so that I can preach there also. That is why I have come.' ³⁹ So he travelled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray:

Praise to you, faithful God, for you hear the prayers of your people and answer when we call on you.

Praise to you, faithful God, for you set the stars in the heavens, and all the world was shaped by your hands. We pray for your creation, for a sense of wonder and delight at its beauty, for wisdom and justice in the use of its bounty. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Praise to you, faithful God, for you feed the hungry, lift up the downtrodden and set the captive free. We pray for all peoples, for your continued intervention in the world pandemic of COVID, for an end to violence, exploitation and oppression, for peace and harmony among nations. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Praise to you, faithful God, for you have called us by our name and brought us into the company of all believers. We pray for your church, for Clarence, our Bishop and all clergy, for a community open to the movement of your Spirit, for a passion to proclaim your gospel in the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Praise to you, faithful God, for you welcome the outcast, bring strength to the weary, your love for your people is steadfast and sure. We pray for all who live and work in this place, for our children at their places of learning, for the building of community, for sharing of resources and for the care of those in need. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Praise to you, faithful God, for you heal the sick, bind up the broken hearted and bring life and wholeness to your people. We pray for all in anxiety, pain or grief, for comfort for the sorrowing, relief for the suffering and peace for the dying. We pray especially for Elaine Haddock, Belinda Shannon, Sharron de Battista, Jim Chatz, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Beris Hannam, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Chilcott, Allan Rose, Beryl Kirby, Anne Rose and Candice Pearce ... [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer.*] We give thanks for where healing blessings have been received. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Praise to you, faithful God, for you have broken the bonds of death and promised your people the joys of everlasting life. We pray for our love ones whose anniversary of death we celebrate this week: Victims of the 2009 fires, Nicholas Piechowiak (7th); Jack Knight (8th); Altie Horwood (9th); Henry Murry(10th); Joan Pate (12th), Rhoda Wilkie, Sidney Bryant, Herbert Holcombe (13th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** We give thanks for all who have followed your way of love, for those from this parish and all whom we hold dear, and pray that we may share with them a joyful resurrection to life eternal. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers: **Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may, by your grace receive through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

It is the custom of our church to invite all baptised communicant members of other Christian traditions to share in the Lord's Supper with us. Non-Communicants are invited to receive a blessing.

NOTICES:

Finances:

Please consider your weekly offertory giving by giving through Direct Debit or just paying into our account at any Bendigo Bank. As most bills require payment within one month it would be great if donors could consider monthly giving **as we cannot access any withdrawals from Trust accounts as it is for maintenance only and not for ministry and daily running cost.** Our costs have been cut to the very minimum and are being adjusted downwards as far as we can possibly take them.

World Day of Prayer. This year's World Day of Prayer is being hosted by the people of St Patrick's Kilmore on Friday March 5th. The time and further details will be coming shortly, but save this date. St Patrick's want to continue on from our very successful World Day of Prayer last year. All are very welcome.

St Matthew's will be the host for Broadford. Please let us know if you would like to assist Beryl Kirby with arrangements it will be highly appreciated.

Rosters for Christ Church: With the opening of our Church buildings, we now need to resume our Reading, Sides-people, Dusting and Vacuuming rosters at Christ Church. With thanks to Shirley Evans, Sherine, and Patty for ensuring this has been done every week since October, but the time has come to share the jobs around. Please let Doug know this week if you can help. If you are unsure about returning to church because of COVID, please be assured that you can clean the church on your own without anyone else around if you prefer.

Direct Debit /EFT Offerings –

Account details: BENDIGO BANK – Account Name 'Anglican Parish of Kilmore'; BSB 633-000; Account Number 158946921. Reference: Offertory

Emergency Relief: We are in NEED of groceries for those who are doing it tough in our community. Please deliver it to the Rectory, it will be distributed every Friday morning.

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 8th February 10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop Trading

Wednesday 10th February 10.30am Dianella RACF Eucharist
11.30am Caladenia RACF Eucharist

Thursday 11th February 10.00am – 3.00pm Op shop Drop off and sorting

Friday 12th February 10.00am – 4.00pm Op Shop

10.30am – Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF

Saturday 6th February 10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 14th February: Last Sunday after Epiphany:		
Transfiguration: 2 Kings 2.1 – 12; Ps 50.1 – 6; 2 Corinthians 4.3 – 12; Mark 9.2 – 9		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthew's, Broadford	11.00am	No Service
St Stephen's, Tallarook	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
Transfiguration, Pyalong	until	Further Notice

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 89.1 – 18	Ps 89.19 – 38
8 th February	Genesis 24.1 – 21	Jeremiah 16.1 – 15
	Luke 4.1 – 15	Philippians 3.1 – 16
Tuesday	Ps 89.39 – 53	Ps 91
9 th February	Genesis 24.22 – 49	Jeremiah 17.1 – 18
	Luke 4.16 – 30	Philippians 3.17 – 4.7
Wednesday	Ps 92; 93	Ps 94
10 th February	Genesis 24.50 – 67	Jeremiah 17.19 – 18.12
	Luke 4.31 – 44	Philippians 4.8 – 23
Thursday	Ps 95; 96	Ps 97; 98
11 th February	Genesis 25.5 – 11, 19 – 34	Jeremiah 18.12 – 23
	Luke 5.1 – 11	1 Timothy 1.1 – 11
Friday	Ps 99; 100	Ps 103
12 th February	Genesis 26.1 – 17	Jeremiah 19. 1 – 20.6
	Luke 5.12 – 26	1 Timothy 1.12 – 20
Saturday	Ps 101; 102.1 – 11	Ps 102.12 – 28
13 th February	Genesis 26.18 – 33	Jeremiah 20.7 – 18
	Luke 5.27 – 39	1 Timothy 2

Parish Priest – Rev André Du Plooy:

9 Union Street, Kilmore, 3764; Ph 5782 1155; Mobile 0458 155 930; PO Box 289
Kilmore 3764. rector@anglicankilmore.org.au

Priest (PTO) Fr John Young, Mobile 0404 756 346

Parish Wardens:

Caroline Burge, 20 Chrystobel Way, Kilmore, Mobile 0409 822 180

John Patterson, 62 Govett Street, Broadford, Ph 5784 3284; Mobile 0402 103 524

Dean Saitta, 20 Northgate Blvd, Kilmore, Mobile 0400 969 466

Julie Wallis, 71 Main Rd, Tallarook, Ph 5792 2854

Alison McKenzie, 13 Station Street, Pyalong, Mobile 0433 780 230

Facebook page link: <https://www.facebook.com/AnglicanKilmore/> or you can type in Anglican Parish of Kilmore Facebook into the search bar and it should come up. It's also on the link Services Online on the website.