



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

**Fifth Sunday in Lent
21st March 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: 351; 350; 341; 685

SENTENCE: “This is the covenant I will make with them,” says the Lord God: “I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.” *Jeremiah 31.33*

FIRST READING

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah, chapter 31.31 - 34

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the LORD’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 119. 9 – 16

Sung / Said: Blessed are you Lord God

How shall the young keep their path pure, unless they hold to your word? I have sought you with my whole heart; let me not stray from your commandments. I have treasured your words in my heart, that I might not sin against you. With my lips I have been telling: all the judgments of your mouth. **Blessed are you Lord God**

And I find more joy in the way of your commands, than in all manner of riches. I will meditate on your precepts, and give heed to your ways. For my delight is wholly in your statutes; and I will not forget your word. **Blessed are you Lord God**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews, chapter 5.5 – 14

⁵ So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, ‘You are my Son, today I have begotten you’; ⁶as he says also in another place, ‘You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.’ ⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he

was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. ¹¹ About this we have much to say that is hard to explain, since you have become dull in understanding. ¹²For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic elements of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food; ¹³for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is unskilled in the word of righteousness. ¹⁴But solid food is for the mature, for those whose faculties have been trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!** Jesus said: whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John chapter 12.20 – 33

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. ²⁷ ‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—“Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ ³⁰Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

The Commandments

Hear the commandments which God has given to his people, and take them to heart. *(SILENCE)*

I am the Lord your God; you shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not make an idol of anything and worship it.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not make wrong use of the name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

Remember the Lord's day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

Honour your father and mother.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not give false evidence.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

You shall not covet the possessions of others.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

(Silence may be kept.)

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith. *(Please turn to page 120 of the APBA for the confession)*

THE COLLECT

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray:

God, our God, you have made us your own, and you listen when we call to you: hear our prayers for all your people. We pray for the world, that peace and justice

may abound and all your children share the bounty of your earth. We pray especially for the peoples of Syria, Yemen and Myanmar suffering war and violence; for a successful vaccination against COVID world-wide. We pray for all who work for peace, justice and the preservation of the earth: for conservationists and ecologists; for UN agencies, peace-keeping forces and relief and aid organizations; for Australian Volunteers International and all who share their time and skills. For these and all who serve your people, **we give you thanks and praise.**

We pray for the church, that we may be a servant church, faithfully proclaiming your gospel in sacrament, deed and word. We pray for all who work to spread your good news of redemption and love: for Bishop Clarence and Philip, our Archbishop, for pastors, priest and deacons; for lay ministers, youth workers and teachers; for missionaries and all who preach the gospel in difficult or dangerous places. For these and all who serve your people, **we give you thanks and praise.**

We pray for our community, that it may be a place of safety and belonging, where all are welcomed, respected and valued. We pray for all who work to make our community a more caring place: for service organizations, welfare agencies and hospital auxiliaries; for firefighters and police, and for ambulance and emergency services; for those who care for the very old and for the very young. For these and all who serve your people, **we give you thanks and praise.**

We pray for all who suffer, that they may find consolation in their sorrow, companionship in their loneliness and relief in their pain. We pray for all who work to alleviate the suffering of others: for doctors, nurses and paramedics; for social workers, counselors and chaplains; for those who sit with the sick and wait with 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, Tom Scrivens, Norman Rose, Geoff Kirby, Bruce Radford, Fiona Mctier 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. For these and all who serve your people, **we give you thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks and praise for your faithful servants of every generation: for all who, following your example, have selflessly given their lives for others. We pray for those whose anniversary of death we remember this week, Norman Mahle, David Begley (21st), Reagan Meehan (22nd), Jack Cockroft (23rd), Eric Stanmore (24th) Carol Matters, Dorothy Drysdale, Myrtle (Bettie) Mathiesen (25th); Beatrice Lazarus, William Thomas, Earnest Hughes (26th); James Foster, Anthony Burge, Herbert Haetel (27th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** May we also follow you and serve you, that with all your saints

we may be drawn to your eternal presence, for you are our God and we are your people. For all your faithful servants, for your love and goodness to us, God, our God, **we give you thanks and praise.**

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... for your love and goodness to us, God, our God, **we give you thanks and praise.**

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:

Op Shop meeting Monday 19th April 2021 at 12.00 noon.

Wednesday 21st April, Parish Council Meeting at Broadford 7.30pm.

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.

Pew Sheet Update: Our restrictions over the past 12 months meant that as a parish we have had few opportunities to catch up with parishioners from around the parish. We have missed out on hearing the joys, or comforting with the sorrows. Just like our biological families, it is often lovely to share our news with our parish families. With this in mind, we are changing around our pew sheet, and invite all parishioners to share what is going on in their lives. Feel free to let Fr André or Caroline know of any news you would like included. It would be great to hear from all four centres of the parish - Kilmore, Broadford, Tallarook and Pyalong. This will only work with contributions from you all.

To start us off, here is a snippet of some happenings around the parish in the last month or so...

Happy birthday to Patty, Doug Whitbourn, Sharna Mitchell, and Anna Smallacombe who have all celebrated their birthdays at Christ Church in the last few weeks. At St Matthew's Joan Grimwade, Beryl Kirby

Healing blessings to Anna who has recently had shoulder surgery and is now on the road to recovery.

Congratulations to Julie Wallis on becoming a grandma for the first time. We have a big zero birthday coming up for Anne Rose soon! Good luck to Dean Saitta on the opening of his new business venture - Kilmore Massage Therapy (contact Dean if you want to make a booking!). Big thanks to Beryl Kirby for organising the World Day of Prayer at St Matthew's a couple of weeks ago. A lovely occasion, and it is always nice to show off our beautiful churches.

Our Parish Financial situation: COVID19 has had a massive impact on the world, our country, our town and our parish. Financially the parish has limped along in the last 12 months, with much of that time being in lockdown and our Churches and the Op Shop closed. Since our church buildings have reopened, our liturgical tradition of 'taking up the collection' has been stopped to limit movement around the church. With our numbers low, and some parishioners choosing not to return to church until they are vaccinated, this has had a massive impact on our weekly giving in the Collection Plate. Combined with the closure of the Op Shop for many months, we are now at the stage of trying to pick up the pieces. Fr André, along with all priests in the Diocese, has been on "Job Keeper" payments since last year, but as we all know, this is coming to an end at the end of March. This means that we are needing an increase in our parish income of at least \$2,000 each month to keep our priestly ministry (Fr André) in our parish. Please consider prayerfully your weekly giving. Are you able to increase your giving, even by an extra \$5 per week? If you are not able to worship every week, are you able to put aside your weekly giving? Would you consider a weekly direct debit into the parish bank account? These are all things Parish Council is asking you to consider. We have done well to get this far, and we are considered one of the "lucky" parishes in the Diocese that is still afloat (just). Well done and thank you for all you give to God through the Church.

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 22nd March 10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop Trading

Tuesday 23rd March 6.30pm for 7.00pm: Bible Study at Kilmore.

Wednesday 24th March 11.30 am – Res Eucharist at Caladenia RACF
02.30pm – Res Eucharist at Dianella RACF

Thursday 25th March 10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew's Broadford followed by Bible Study

10.00am – 2.00pm Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting

Friday 26th March 10.00am – 4.00pm Op Shop

10.30am – Res Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF

Saturday 27th March 10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 28th March: Palm (Passion) Sunday: Isaiah 50.4 – 9a; Ps 31.9 – 18; Philippians 2.5 – 11; Mark 15.1 – 39.		
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 51	Ps 52; 53
22 nd March	Exodus 7.8 – 24	Jeremiah 40.1 – 12
	Luke 20.1 – 18	2 Corinthians 5.14 – 21
Tuesday	Ps 54; 55.1 – 12	Ps 55.13 – 15, 18 – 28
23 rd March	Exodus 7.25 – 8.19	Jeremiah 40.13 – 41.10
	Luke 20.19 – 26	Philippians 3.7 – 16
Wednesday	Ps 56; 57	Ps 60; 61
24 th March	Exodus 8.20 – 9.12	Jeremiah 41.11 – 42.6
	Luke 20.27 – 47	1 Peter 2.19 – 25
Thursday	Ps 62; 63	Ps 64; 67
25 th March	Exodus 9.13 – 35	Jeremiah 42.7 – 22
	Luke 21.1 – 19	Colossians 2.8 – 15
Friday	Ps 65; 70	Ps 66
26 th March	Exodus 10.1 – 20	Jeremiah 43
	Luke 21.20 – 28	Hebrews 9.11 – 26
Saturday	Ps 68.1 – 20	Ps 68.24 – 35
27 th March	Exodus 10.21 – 11.10	Jeremiah 45
	Luke 21.29 – 22.6	Hebrews 4.1 – 11

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Face Masks: As our church buildings are considered 'public spaces', we continue to be safe and cautious particularly with our elderly and vulnerable parishioners. We have kept a supply of disposable face masks in our churches for use by people who haven't brought their own mask. If at all possible, please can parishioners try to provide their own masks, to enable us to keep the disposable masks for emergency use only. This is another helpful way we can reduce unnecessary parish expenses. Thank you.