



**Anglican Parish of Kilmore,
Broadford, Pyalong and Tallarook
12th Sunday after Pentecost**

23rd August 2020

We are the Body of Christ...



Sentence: Jesus said to them, ‘Who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’ *Matthew 16.15–16*

THE COLLECT

O God, fount of all wisdom, in the humble witness of the apostle Peter you have shown the foundation of our faith: give us the light of your Spirit, that, recognising in Jesus of Nazareth the Son of the living God, we may be living stones for the building up of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Exodus Chapter 1.8 – 2.10

⁸ Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ He said to his people, ‘Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.’ ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. ¹² But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. ¹³ The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, ¹⁴ and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. ¹⁵ The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶ ‘When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.’ ¹⁷ But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. ¹⁸ So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, ‘Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?’ ¹⁹ The midwives said to Pharaoh, ‘Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.’ ²⁰ So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²² Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, ‘Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.’ ¹ Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ² The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³ When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus

basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴ His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. ⁵ The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. ‘This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,’ she said. ⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, ‘Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?’ ⁸ Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, ‘Yes.’ So the girl went and called the child’s mother. ⁹ Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, ‘Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.’ So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰ When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, ‘because’, she said, ‘I drew him out of the water.’

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

Silence may follow each reading

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 124

Said: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

¹ If the Lord had not been on our side, now may Israel say: if the Lord had not been on our side, when our enemies rose against us, ² Then they would have swallowed us alive: when their anger was kindled against us. ³ Then the waters would have overwhelmed us, and the torrent gone over us: the raging waters would have gone clean over us...R

⁴ But praised be the Lord: who has not given us as a prey to their teeth. ⁵ We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler: the snare is broken, and we have gone free. ⁶ Our help is in the name of the Lord: who has made heaven and earth...R

Silence may follow each reading

Second Reading

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans Chapter 12.1 – 8

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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

Silence may follow each reading

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, **alleluia, alleluia!**

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 16.13 – 20

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ ¹⁴ And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ ¹⁵ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ ¹⁶ Simon Peter

answered, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’ ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.’ ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, hear our prayers for your world and your church.

You are the Prince of Peace; bring peace to your broken, bleeding world, that war may cease and your people live in safety and security. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Wisdom of God; give insight to leaders of nations in the crisis of the COVID Pandemic, that they may govern wisely and your people enjoy dignity and justice. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Saviour of the World; increase the faith of your people, that we may burn with love for you and proclaim your gospel in all the world. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Way, the Truth and the Life; lead us in your way and guide us in your truth, that we may live in love for you and for each other. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Close Companion of the lonely; keep company with the friendless, that they may feel your loving presence and know that they are not alone. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Comfort of the broken-hearted; sit with the sorrowing, that in their distress they may know your consolation and be comforted. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Healer of the suffering; bring release to those in anguish of body, mind or spirit, that in their pain they may know your peace. We pray especially for Kathy Slade, Belinda Shannon, Sharron de Battista, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Shirley Perkins, Beris Hannam, Joyce Bennet, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Chilcott, Candice Pearce and Beryl Kirby... [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer*]. Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are the Resurrection and the Life; raise us out of death to life, that with Peter, Martha and all who have recognized you as the Messiah, we may dwell for ever in your presence. We remember the recently departed Keith Oliver and those whose anniversary we celebrate this week: Jack Woods, Amelia Moore (23rd); Ronald Matthews (24th) Charles Smith (25th); Stephen Smith (26th); Kathleen Craker (27th); Brian Wright, Gayle Witty (28th); Leslie Gullifer (29th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** Jesus, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day...(pause) Jesus, in your mercy, **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.**

NOTICES:

Parish Council meeting will continue online, our next meeting date is 21st September 2020. Please let us have your reports by Tuesday 20th September.

Self-isolating Parishioners: If we have any parishioners who are “self-isolating” due to the Coronavirus, but who need essentials from the shops or support in some way, please do not hesitate to contact the Wardens or Fr André.

Finances: Ministry is continuing throughout the Parish with weekly services published on the internet, funerals being conducted, hospital and aged care visitation and general contact with Parishioners. There is also a great deal of help being provided to the community in general. Our website lists large numbers of people accessing and appreciating the efforts we are making at this difficult time. Our Parish is not able to rely on Funds being raised either by the OP Shop or many other fundraisers at this time 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 so that we can plan any withdrawals we may need from Trust accounts. Our costs have been cut to the very minimum and are being adjusted downwards as far as we can possibly take them.

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 Kilmore. Please deliver it to the Rectory, it will be distributed every Friday morning.

ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

NO SERVICE IN OUR CHURCH BUILDING UNTILL FUTHER NOTICE.

Op Shop closed till further notice.

Weekly Zoom Meetings: Please join us for our **Parish Chat on Zoom every Friday at 2.00pm.** Please note we have changed the time. Let Fr André know if you wish to be invited.

Next Sunday 30th August – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost:
Exodus 3.1 – 15; Ps 105.1 – 6, 23 – 26; Romans 12.9 – 21; Matthew 16.21 – 28

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 130;131; 133	Ps 132; 134
24 th August	2 Chronicles 32.9 – 23	Tobit 2.1 – 3.6
	Acts 21.1 – 14	Romans 14.13 – 23
Tuesday	Ps 135	Ps 136
25 th August	2 Chronicles 32.24 – 33	Tobit 4
	Acts 21.15 – 26	Romans 15.1 – 13
Wednesday	Ps 137.1 – 6; 138	Ps 139
26 th August	2 Chronicles 33.1 – 20	Tobit 5
	Acts 21.27 – 39	Romans 15.14 – 21
Thursday	Ps 140	Ps 141; 142
27 th August	Prayer of Manasseh	Tobit 6.9 – 12; 7.1 – 15
	Acts 21. 40 – 22.16	Romans 15.22 – 33

Friday	Ps 143; 146	Ps 119.153 – 176
28 th August	2 Chron 33.21 – 34.13	Tobit 8.4 -21
	Acts 22.17 – 30	Romans 16.1 – 16
Saturday	Ps 145	Ps 147
29 th August	2 Chronicles 34.14 – 38	Tobit 9; 10
	Acts 23.1 – 11	Romans 16.17 – 27

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Our services are available from about 09.00am on Sundays on our 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. Its also on the link Services Online on the website.

We now have a new page on our website thanks to Anthony Jones (known on our website as AJ). Anthony now updates the Youth Ministry page which he uploads a digital version of the Bible readings each month. Anthony had started doing this during the service at St Matthew’s prior to our church buildings being closed down. We thank Anthony for his hard work in getting this off the ground.