



**Anglican Parish of Kilmore,
Broadford, Pyalong and Tallarook
21st Sunday after Pentecost**

25th October 2020

It's love that endures forever...



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*

THE COLLECT

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.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy Chapter 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.

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

Silence may follow each reading

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 90.1 – 6, 13 – 17

Said: May the gracious favour of our God be upon us.

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...**R**

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...**R**

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! ...**R**

Silence may follow each reading

Second Reading

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians Chapter 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.

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

Silence may follow each reading

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 22.34 – 46
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 the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

O God, your love for your children is without end, and you teach us to love you in return: hear the prayers we bring for all your people.

We pray for the peoples of the world, for our neighbours whose lives are made miserable by poverty, COVID pandemic, homelessness, oppression and war. Help us to struggle for justice and peace with wise minds, courageous hearts and souls that thirst for righteousness. O God, teach us to love you, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your worldwide church, for our neighbours of other traditions and faiths, for those with whom we eat at your table and for all who seek to know you. We pray for Philip, our Archbishop and Clarence, our Bishop and our church councils and leadership. Help us to wrestle with your gospel with inquiring minds, burning hearts and souls that thirst for truth. O God, teach us to love you, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all in this community, for our neighbours with whom we live and work and play, for all who are disadvantaged, for our families, our friends and for ourselves. Help us to persevere to build true community with enlighten minds, welcoming hearts and souls that thirst for reconciliation. O God, teach us to love you, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all in trouble or distress, for those infected and affected by the COVID 19 virus, for our neighbours whose lives are filled with grief or despair, loneliness, sickness or pain. Help us to reach out to those who need us with understanding minds, generous hearts and souls that thirst for compassion. We pray especially for Kathy Slade, Belinda Shannon, Sharron de Battista, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Shirley Perkins, Beris Hannam, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Chilcott, Allan Rose and Candice Pearce ... [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer*]. O God, teach us to love you, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your faithful servants of every age, for all who have followed your law of love. Expand our minds, inflame our hearts and seduce our souls, that we too may worthily love you, and at our life's end raise us up to share with you in glory. We remember those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: Ted Emmerson, Barry Noonan (25th); Mary Still, Debra Siphthorp, Valerie Peterson, Gweneth Edwards, Rita Still (26th); Nellie Holcomb (27th); Frederick Wickham, Jack Gray (28th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** O God, teach us to love you, and, 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) O God, teach us to love you, and, 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 18th November 2020. Please let us have your reports by Tuesday 17th November.

Finances:

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.

**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 Andrè know if you wish to be invited.

Next Sunday 1st November: All Saints Day: Twenty - Second Sunday after Pentecost: Revelation 7.9 – 17; Ps 34.1 – 10, 22; 1 John 3.1 – 3; Matthew 5.1 – 12

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 137.1 – 6; 138	Ps 139
26 th October	Nehemiah 2.9 – 20	Daniel 6.14 – 28
	Matthew 18.1 – 14	2 Peter 1.1 - 11
Tuesday	Ps 140	Ps 141; 142
27 th October	Nehemiah 4	Daniel 7.1 – 14
	Matthew 18.15 – 35	2 Peter 1.12 – 21
Wednesday	Ps 143; 146	Ps 119.153 – 176
28 th October	Nehemiah 5.1 – 13	Daniel 7.15 – 28
	Matthew 19.1 – 15	2 Peter 2.1 - 11
Thursday	Ps 145	Ps 147
29 th October	Nehemiah 5.14 – 6.9	Daniel 8.1 – 14
	Matthew 19.16 – 30	2 Peter 2.12 – 3.2
Friday	Ps 148; 149	Ps 144; 150
30 th October	Nehemiah 6.10 – 7.4	Daniel 8.15 – 27
	Matthew 20.1 – 16	2 Peter 3.3 – 10
Saturday	Ps 83.1 – 18	Ps 150
31 st October	Nehemiah 7.73 – 8.12	Isaiah 40.21 – 26
	Matthew 20.17 – 34	Hebrews 11.32 – 12.2

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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.

Due to Coronavirus and less contact, the names given last year for All Souls Day will be used this year, but if anyone has any new names then, PLEASE email them to Fr André by Friday 30th October.

Please forward all reports for our Annual Parish Meeting to Caroline by the 1 November 2020.

“Help us to build a safer and more supportive Anglican Church for people who have experienced domestic violence. Join a research project aimed to help improve church practices. If you have had an experience of domestic violence and a current or previous link with the Anglican Church, please share your perspective. The online survey is anonymous and anyone can take part. Go to surveys.ncls.org.au/NAFVP/experience to find our more.”