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

Sunday 29th January 2023

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany



*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. **The service for Holy Eucharist starts on page 119 and that of Morning Prayer on page 19 of A Prayer Book for Australia.***

HYMNS: 134; 703; 547; 407

Sentence: What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6.8*

Invitation to Confession

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Silence may be kept.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

THE COLLECT

Living God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of prophet Micah Chapter 6. 1 – 8

¹ Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. ² Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. ³ ‘O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴ For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. ⁵ O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.’ ⁶ ‘With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷ Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?’ ⁸ He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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

Silence may follow each reading.

Responsorial Psalm: 15

Response: Let me abide in your tabernacle O Lord

¹ Lord, who may abide in your tabernacle: or who may dwell upon your holy hill?
² Whoever leads an uncorrupt life and does the thing which is right: who speaks the truth from the heart, and has not slandered with the tongue; ³ Who has done no evil

to a friend: nor vented abuse against a neighbour; **Let me abide in your tabernacle O Lord**

⁴ In whose eyes the worthless have no honour: but who makes much of those that fear the Lord; ⁵ Whoever has sworn to a neighbour: and will not go back on that oath; ⁶ Who has not put money to usury: nor taken a bribe against the innocent.

⁷ Whoever does these things: shall never be overthrown. **Let me abide in your tabernacle O Lord**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians Chapter 1.18 – 31

¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' ²⁰ Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²² For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³ but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. ²⁶ Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸ God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹ so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰ He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹ in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

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

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 5.1 – 12

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: ³ ‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ ‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵ ‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶ ‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷ ‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ⁸ ‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹ ‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ¹⁰ ‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ ‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray: You taught us: ‘Blessed are the peacemakers’, but too often the aggressor’s flourish. We pray for all people in places of danger and conflict; for the peoples of Ukraine, Russia, Syria, Palestine, Israel, Afghanistan, Yemen, Iran, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Myanmar and with all who long for peace; for leaders of nations and all who work for peace. Challenge our values again, Jesus, and, **in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

You taught us: ‘Blessed are the merciful’, but too often we harbor hatreds and cry for revenge. We pray for all who experience oppression and injustice; for all who make and administer laws. Challenge our values again, Jesus, and, **in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

You taught us: ‘Blessed are the meek’, but too often the arrogant and the proud prosper. We pray for the weak and vulnerable members of society; for all who are advocates for those without voice. Challenge our values again, Jesus, and, **in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

You taught us: ‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness’, but too often we hunger for success and thirst for material riches. We pray for ourselves, our families and friends; for all with whom we share our lives in this community. Challenge our values again, Jesus, and, **in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

You taught us: ‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake’, but too often your prophets are unheard or ignored. We pray for your church, for Philip our Archbishop, Clarence, our Bishop; for its clergy and people; for prophets and teachers and all who minister in your name. Challenge our values again, Jesus, and, **in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

You taught us: ‘Blessed are those who mourn’, but too often those in distress feel abandoned and afraid. We pray for all who suffer, for the sick and for the dying; for the lonely, the fearful and the grief-stricken. We pray especially for Elaine Haddock, Belinda Shannon, Jim Chatz, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Chilcott, Beryl Kirby, Geoff Kirby, Fiona Mctier, Robert Whalley, Candice Pearce, Russel Taylor, Kate Jessup, David Valentine, Margaret Taylor, Jeanne Jones, Rebecca Wallis, Colin Jamieson, Alan Rose, Peg Raeburn, Bishop John Parkes, Glenda McDonald, Stan and Edie Simpson, Doreen Armstrong, Rae Sendall, Natalia Apaseray, Alison Mead, Fr Mark Willoszyn, Bruce Seaman, Sherine Copeland, Caroline Burge, Thomas and Vince Fazio ... [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer*]. We give your thanks where healing blessings have been received. Challenge our values again, Jesus, and, **in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Jesus, you have taught us how we should live and how we should pray, but too often we ignore your words and go our own way. We remember those who have gone before us into your presence: Walter Kirby, Pam Rhue (29th); Harold Napper (30th); Olive Hutchinson (31st); John Kirkpatrick, Diane Robins (1st February); Douglas Schofield, Marie Lyons (2nd); Jennifer Hedley (3rd); Geoffrey Booth, Ken Payne (4th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** Challenge our values again, Jesus, and strengthen us to work for the coming of your reign, that with all your saints – the poor in spirit and the pure in heart – we may enter the kingdom of heaven and see our God. Jesus, 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) Jesus, 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.**

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. If you do not wish to share in the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Parents of children should encourage them to fold their arms, if they do not want them to receive the sacrament.

Notices:

Monthly Parish BBQ: Our next monthly parish BBQ lunch is on Sunday 12th February in the form of a "bring and share" BBQ. BYO meat, and salads, sweets and drinks to share. If you wish to host future monthly BBQ's or want more information, please let Fr André or Caroline know. If you wish to host a BBQ but are concerned at your lack of crockery, cutlery or glasses, please let us know. All these can be borrowed from the church. If you are concerned about the amount of washing up - please don't worry, as more hands make light work and there are ALWAYS willing helpers to help out. Folding tables and chairs are also available to borrow for the day. A great day was held at the Australia Day BBQ with everyone helping out. The BBQ's are always bring and share and somehow we never run out of food.

Parish council meeting **Wednesday 15th February 2023 at Kilmore 7.30pm.**

Op Shop Committee Meeting on **Monday 20th February 2023 at 12.30pm.**

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PARISH DIARY [Regular Meetings and Events]

3rd Tues of the month: St Matthew's Friendship Group. Gavan Hall 1.30pm

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 30 th January	10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting
Wednesday 1 st February	01.00pm – Res Eucharist at Caladenia RACF 02.30pm – Res Eucharist at Dianella RACF
Thursday 2 nd February	10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew's Broadford. 10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting
Friday 3 rd February	10.00am – 04.00pm Op shop: Trading

10.30 am – Res Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF

Saturday 28th January

10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 5th February 2023: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany: Isaiah 58.1 – 9a; Ps 112; 1 Corinthians 2.1 – 13; Matthew 5.13 – 20		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthew, Broadford	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Stephen's, Tallarook	11.00am	Morning Prayer

Daily Readings	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 72	Ps 73
30 th January	Genesis 18.22 – 19.11	Jeremiah 12.1 – 13
	Luke 3.1 – 7	Philippians 1.1 – 11
Tuesday	Ps 59	Ps 58; 79
31 st January	Genesis 19.12 – 29	Jeremiah 13.1 – 17
	Luke 2.8 – 21	Philippians 1.12 – 20
Wednesday	Ps 74	Ps 75; 76
1 st February	Genesis 20	Jeremiah 13.18 – 14.6
	Luke 2.41 – 52	Philippians 1.21 – 30
Thursday	Ps 77	Ps 78.1 – 15
2 nd February	Genesis 21.1 – 21	Jeremiah 14.7 – 16
	Luke 3.1 – 14	Philippians 2.1 – 11
Friday	Ps 78.16 – 38	Ps 78.30 – 70
3 rd February	Genesis 22.1 – 19	Jeremiah 14.17 – 15.9
	Luke 3.15 – 22	Philippians 2.12 – 18
Saturday	Ps 80	Ps 81
4 th February	Genesis 23	Jeremiah 15.10 – 21
	Luke 3.23 – 38	Philippians 2.19 – 30

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**God Bless Ukraine
Guard her people
Guide her leaders
And give her peace
For Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen.**

**God Bless Australia
Guard our people
Guide our leaders
and give us peace
For Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen.**

**All Parish Councillors, Churchwardens,
Treasurers & Synod Representatives
PLEASE to attend a WORKSHOP at
Wangaratta on Saturday 18th February
2023 from 10.00am - 3.00pm.**

Someone left their sunglasses at Caroline's home after the Australia Day BBQ.