



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

22nd March 2020

Fourth Sunday in Lent
Mothering Sunday



*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 introduce yourself to one of our welcomers, who will be able to offer you some help in feeling at home. **Please be conscious of people who desire to sit in silence and talk to God, or light a candle and pray. Please give the space and silence they might need. Please note NO Morning Tea after the Eucharist. Our service starts on page 119 of A Prayer Book for Australia.***

HYMNS: 216; 147; 233; 129

Mothering Sunday, The Fourth Sunday in Lent.

The term Laetare Sunday is used by most Roman Catholic and Anglican churches, and by some Protestant denominations, particularly those with Latin liturgical traditions. The word comes from the Latin *laetare*, the singular imperative of *laetari*: “to rejoice”. “Rejoice, O Jerusalem: and come together all you that love her: rejoice with joy, you that have been in sorrow: that you may exult and be filled from the breasts of your consolation. *Psalm 122*: I was glad when they said to me: ‘we shall go into God's House!’”

This Sunday is currently also known as Mothering Sunday, Refreshment Sunday, mid- Lent Sunday (in French *mi-carême*) and Rose Sunday because the use of rose-coloured (rather than violet) vestments was permitted on this day.

The Sunday is considered a day of hope with Easter at last within sight. Traditionally, weddings (otherwise not permitted during Lent) could be performed during this time, and servants were released from service for the day to visit their mothers, therefore it's called ‘Mothering Sunday’.

Important Notice Corona Virus (COVID 19)

Dear Parishioners in light of the threat of the Corona Virus, COVID 19, spreading throughout the world, we would like to put the following **precautions** in place:

PLEASE USE THE SANITISER IF YOU NEED TO SANITISE YOUR HANDS.

PLEASE MAINTAIN A DISTANCE OF ABOUT 1.5 METRES FROM EACH OTHER;

YOU MAY OFFER A SHOW OF PRAYING HANDS AND A NOD TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PEACE GREETING TO THOSE AROUND YOU.

YOU WILL RECEIVE THE BODY ONLY (BREAD) AT THE HOLY COMMUNION.

PLEASE STAND WHILE RECEIVING COMMUNION

PLEASE SANITISE YOUR HANDS AT ANYTIME IF YOU DO SEE THE NEED.

THESE PRECAUTIONS WILL BE REVIEWED FROM TIME TO TIME.

Hymn TIS 216

1 Rejoice, the Lord is King;
your Lord and King adore;
let all give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore;

Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice.

Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above: [Refrain]

3 His kingdom cannot fail,
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given: [Refrain]

4 He sits at God's right hand,
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet: [Refrain]

5 Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus the judge shall come,
and take his servants up
to their eternal home:
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound, Rejoice!

Greeting and Welcome

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins,
whose mercy endures for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sentence: 'I am the light of the world,' says the Lord; 'those who follow me will have the light of life.' *John 8.12*

Let us pray: **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated for the Readings

FIRST READING

A reading from the first Book of Samuel Chapter 16.1 – 13

¹ The Lord said to Samuel, ‘How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.’ ² Samuel said, ‘How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.’ And the Lord said, ‘Take a heifer with you, and say, “I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.”’ ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.’ ⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ ⁵ He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.’ ⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.’ ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The Lord has not chosen any of these.’ ¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ ¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

Silence may follow each reading

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 23

Said /Sung: For you are with me.

¹ The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing. ² He will make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters. ³ He will refresh my soul: and guide me in right pathways for his name’s sake. ⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me...R

⁵ You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me: you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full. ⁶ Surely your goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever...R

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians Chapter 5.8 – 14

⁸ For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— ⁹ for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

¹⁰ Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹² For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; ¹³ but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴ for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.'

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

Silence may follow each reading.

Hymn TIS 147

1 To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life in atonement for sin
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory! great things he has done!

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God!
and every offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]

3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

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I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 9.1 – 41

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ² His disciples asked him, ‘Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?’ ³ Jesus answered, ‘Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. ⁴ We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵ As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.’ ⁶ When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, ⁷ saying to him, ‘Go, wash in the pool of Siloam’ (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸ The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, ‘Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?’ ⁹ Some were saying, ‘It is he.’ Others were saying, ‘No, but it is someone like him.’ He kept saying, ‘I am the man.’ ¹⁰ But they kept asking him, ‘Then how were your eyes opened?’ ¹¹ He answered, ‘The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, “Go to Siloam and wash.” Then I went and washed and received my sight.’ ¹² They said to him, ‘Where is he?’ He said, ‘I do not know.’ ¹³ They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴ Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵ Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, ‘He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.’ ¹⁶ Some of the Pharisees said, ‘This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.’ But others said, ‘How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?’ And they were divided. ¹⁷ So they said again to the blind man, ‘What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.’ He said, ‘He is a prophet.’ ¹⁸ The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹ and asked them, ‘Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?’ ²⁰ His parents answered, ‘We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; ²¹ but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.’ ²² His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³ Therefore his parents said, ‘He is of age; ask him.’ ²⁴ So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they

said to him, ‘Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.’²⁵ He answered, ‘I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.’²⁶ They said to him, ‘What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?’²⁷ He answered them, ‘I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?’²⁸ Then they reviled him, saying, ‘You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses.’²⁹ We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.’³⁰ The man answered, ‘Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.’³¹ We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will.’³² Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind.’³³ If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.’³⁴ They answered him, ‘You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?’ And they drove him out.’³⁵ Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, ‘Do you believe in the Son of Man?’³⁶ He answered, ‘And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.’³⁷ Jesus said to him, ‘You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.’³⁸ He said, ‘Lord, I believe.’ And he worshipped him.’³⁹ Jesus said, ‘I came into this world for judgement so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.’⁴⁰ Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, ‘Surely we are not blind, are we?’⁴¹ Jesus said to them, ‘If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, “We see”, your sin remains.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

The Sermon

The Penitence

Hear the commandments which God gave his people Israel.

1 I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of slavery; you shall have no other gods but me.

2 You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them.

3 You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

4 Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shall you labour and do all you have to do, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord your God.

5 Honour your father and your mother.

6 You shall do no murder.

7 You shall not commit adultery.

8 You shall not steal.

9 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

10 You shall not covet anything that is your neighbour's.

Lord, have mercy on us: and write your law in our hearts by your Holy Spirit.

(Silence may be kept.)

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith. (p.120 of A.P.B.A)

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT

Gracious God, in order that we children of earth might discern good from evil you sent your Son to be the light of the world: as the light of Christ shines upon us, may we learn what pleases you, and live in truth and goodness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray for the world and the church:

Let us pray: Jesus, Light of the world, Sun of Righteousness, to you we bring our prayers. We pray for the peoples of the world: for all whose lives are shattered by warfare and violence; for victims of incompetent and corrupt government; for leaders of nations; for Scott Morrison, our Prime Minister and Daniel Andrews, our Primer, for our state and federal politicians; for those who administer the law. We pray for medical workers and scientists working for the cure of COVID 19, those who are living in fear of contracting the virus and those who have died by its infection. Jesus, Light of the World, shed your purifying light on all places of destruction and death, that you people may live in justice and harmony. Jesus, make us children of the light, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your church: for all our brothers and sisters in Christ; for theologians, teachers and theological students; for catechumens and for all who seek your truth. We pray for Philip, our Archbishop and Clarence, our bishop and all clergy and all

who minister in your church. May your church in the time of a world crisis be your beacon of hope and assurance of your ever presence and healing. Jesus, Sun of Righteousness, shed the brilliance of your truth on our doubt and unbelief, that our hearts may be enlightened and our lives show forth your glory. Jesus, make us children of the light, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the community in which we live: for our families, our neighbours and our friends; for our parish family; for the people of this city, especially those who are living in fear and anxiety, those without shelter and food; for the overworked; for health workers and for the unemployed. Jesus, Light of the World, shed the radiance of your love on the lonely and loveless places, that all your people may know their worth and live in dignity and hope. Jesus, make us children of the light, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in trouble or need: for the sad and the broken-hearted; the lonely and the friendless; for the sick and for those who have been affected by the spread of the worldwide corona virus infection, for the dying and all who care for them. We pray especially for: Clare Albrey, Kathy Slade, Belinda Shannon, Jenny Curry, Seth Gunter, Tom Scrivens, Rob Muddyman, Elaine Haddock, Francis Piva, Sharron de Battista, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Jim Chatz, Bruce Scott, Val Watts, Shirley Perkins, Madeline Allen, Barry Nunn, Beris Hannam, Joyce Bennet, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Lloyd, Christine Hall, June Clark, Fr John Young, Malcolm Kaye, Anne Foote, Debbie Chilcott, and Sally Davidson [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer*]. Jesus, Sun of Righteousness, shed your warming rays on the cold and comfortless places of our lives, that in our tears and terrors we may not be alone. Jesus, make us children of the light, and, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for your holy people of every age and for your faithful people of this parish whose yearly remembrance occurs at this time: 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); David Hiscock (28th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** Jesus, Light of the World, accompany us through the night of death, that, fixing our sights on you, we may travel unafraid and, with all your saints, be drawn to the light of your eternal presence. Jesus, make us children of the light, 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, 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.**

The peace greeting:

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

Hymn TIS 233

1 I will sing the wondrous story
of the Christ who died for me,
how he left the realms of glory
for the cross on Calvary.

Refrain:

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
of the Christ who died for me,
sing it with the saints in glory,
gathered by the crystal sea.

2 I was lost: but Jesus found me,
found the sheep that went astray,
raised me up and gently led me
back into the narrow way. [Refrain]

3 Faint was I, and fears possessed me,
bruised was I from many a fall,
hope was gone, and shame distressed me:
but his love has pardoned all. [Refrain]

4 Days of darkness still may meet me,
sorrow's path I oft may tread;
but his presence still is with me,
by his guiding hand I'm led. [Refrain]

5 He will keep me till the river
rolls its waters at my feet:
then he'll bear me safely over,
where the loved ones I shall meet. [Refrain]

The gifts of the people are brought to the Lord's Table.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessing of the gifts:

Blest are you, Lord, God of all Creation,

**Thanks to your goodness this bread we offer.
Fruit of the earth, work of our hands,
It will become the bread of life.**

**Refrain: Blessèd be God, blessed be God.
Blessèd be God, forever! Amen.
Blessèd be God, blessed be God.
Blessèd be God, forever! Amen.**

**Blest are you, Lord, God of all Creation,
Thanks to your goodness this wine we offer.
Fruit of the earth, work of our hands,
It will become the cup of life.**

**Refrain: Blessèd be God, blessed be God.
Blessèd be God, forever! Amen.
Blessèd be God, blessed be God.
Blessèd be God, forever! Amen.**

Thanksgiving Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. He was tempted in every way as we are, yet he did not sin. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to walk in the way of his love.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. [Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.]

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood. On the night he was betrayed Jesus took

bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

The memorial acclamation is used here or below.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise: **Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Administration of Communion of one kind only

Prayer after Communion

God of mercy, may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

**God, bless Australia,
guard our people
guide our leaders
and give us peace;
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**

Blessing

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Hymn 129 TIS

1 Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2 As grace first taught my heart to fear
so grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3 Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
God's grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen

NOTICES:

Parish BBQ for April falls on Easter Day and will not take place.

Sunday 29th March our Combine Service at The Church of the Transfiguration at Pyalong will no longer take place.

Weekly Bible Study has been suspended till further notice.

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. Whilst we might not be able to source valuable items like toilet paper, hand sanitiser or rice, we will try to make sure you are OK.

Weekly Giving: Our Parish relies heavily on our wonderful Op Shop to provide much needed funds to keep our parish afloat financially and to provide a Priestly Ministry (Fr André). This week we had to make the decision to close our Op Shop due to Public Health risk during the outbreak of COVID 19 for both staff and customers. Please consider your weekly offertory giving by Direct Debit. Without the OpShop AND regular weekly giving, our parish will suffer drastically and be financially unstable. We have a number of unfinished projects going on and so our expenses will continue. If you would rather not give by Direct Debit, please also consider taking a set of weekly Giving Envelopes to enable your giving to continue on a weekly basis whether you get to church or not. Ministry will continue in the parish even if we have to take on a different aspect of worship and community.

Emergency Relief: For next week PLEASE donate cereal, milk, vegemite, peanut butter, Laundry detergents, dishwashing liquid and toilet paper.

Direct Debit /EFT Offerings - Account details: BENDIGO BANK - Account Name ‘Anglican Parish of Kilmore’; BSB 633-000; Account Number 158946921. Parishioners using direct debit or electronic funds transfer please use these bank details when making offerings.

PARISH DIARY [Regular Meetings and Events]

2nd Sun of the month: Parish BBQ - 12.30pm

2nd Wed of the month: Quiet Morning: 11.00am

3rd Tues of the month: St Matthew's Friendship Group. Gavan Hall 1.30pm
contact Edie Simpson ph. 5784 1246 for details.

3rd Wed of the month: Parish Council at 7.30pm

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Thursday 26th March 10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew's Broadford.

Friday 27th March 10.30am – Service at Blue Cross RACF

Op Shop closed till further notice.

Next Sunday 29th March – Fifth Sunday in Lent Ezekiel 37.1 – 14; Ps 130; Romans 8.6 – 11; John 11.1 – 45		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthew's, Broadford	11.00am	Holy Eucharist

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 54; 55.1 – 12	Ps 55.13 – 15, 18 – 28
23 rd March	Jeremiah 36.1 – 19	Exodus 1
	Luke 18.1 – 14	Hebrews 12.1 – 11
Tuesday	Ps 56; 57	Ps 60; 61
24 th March	Jeremiah 36.20 – 32	Exodus 2
	Luke 18.15 – 30	Hebrews 12.12 – 24
Wednesday	Ps 62; 63	Ps 64; 67
25 th March	Jeremiah 37	Exodus 3
	Luke 18.31 – 43	Hebrews 12.25 – 29
Thursday	Ps 65; 70	Ps 66
26 th March	Jeremiah 38.1 – 13	Exodus 4.1 – 23
	Luke 19.1 – 10	Hebrews 13.1 – 6
Friday	Ps 68.1 – 20	Ps 68.24 – 35
27 th March	Jeremiah 38.14 – 28	Exodus 4.27 – 6.1
	Luke 19.11 – 27	Hebrews 13.7 – 17
Saturday	Ps 71	Ps 119.65 – 88
28 th March	Jeremiah 39	Exodus 6.2 – 13
	Luke 19.28 – 48	Hebrews 13.18 – 25

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Parishioners and visitors are advised that photographs may be taken of activities in the Parish from time to time for use on Parish website, Facebook and for

publication in the Advocate. If you do not wish to be included in a photo please stand clear of the group at the time. Photos are never taken without a warning.

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