



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

29<sup>th</sup> March 2020  
Fifth Sunday in Lent



*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, who join us for our service that will be streamed to you via our Facebook page.*

We will not be able to meet for some time as the assembled body of Christ, in our various places of worship. The threat of the Corona Virus, COVID 19, spreading throughout the world and the measures that our Government and Health authorities have put in place, prevents this.

This is a time of great opportunity as it challenges our various perceptions of what is, of what should be and how it must be. This call for a mind shift, a paradigm shift, that will navigate our worldview of what life is, how we live and to be truly alive. This is a new beginning and not the end. Life starts here and now.

**Sentence:** ‘I am the resurrection and the life,’ says the Lord; ‘whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.’ *John 11.25–26*

## THE COLLECT

Life-giving God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death: breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel Chapter 37.1 – 14

<sup>1</sup> The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, ‘Mortal, can these bones live?’ I answered, ‘O Lord God, you know.’ <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, ‘Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord .’ <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord .’ <sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, ‘Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God : Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.’ <sup>10</sup> I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. <sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, ‘Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, “Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.”’ <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God : I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> I will

put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

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

*Silence may follow each reading*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 130**

**Said /Sung: My soul waits for the Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice; <sup>2</sup> O let your ears consider well: the voice of my supplication. <sup>3</sup> If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong: who then, O Lord, could stand? <sup>4</sup> But there is forgiveness with you: so that you shall be feared...**R**

<sup>5</sup> I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him: and in his word is my hope. <sup>6</sup> My soul looks for the Lord: more than watchmen for the morning, more, I say, than watchmen for the morning. <sup>7</sup> O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is ample redemption. <sup>8</sup> He will redeem Israel: from the multitude of their sins...**R**

*Silence may follow each reading.*

### **SECOND READING**

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans Chapter 8.6 – 11

<sup>6</sup> To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, <sup>8</sup> and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. <sup>9</sup> But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

*Silence may follow each reading.*

### **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 11.3 – 7, 17, 20- 27, 33 - 45.

### **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, ‘Lord, he whom you love is ill.’ <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it, he said, ‘This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.’ <sup>5</sup> Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup> after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, ‘Let us go to Judea again.’ <sup>17</sup> When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.’ <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, ‘Your brother will rise again.’ <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, ‘I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.’ <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?’ <sup>27</sup> She said to him, ‘Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.’ <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, ‘Where have you laid him?’ They said to him, ‘Lord, come and see.’ <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, ‘See how he loved him!’ <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, ‘Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?’ <sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, ‘Take away the stone.’ Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, ‘Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.’ <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?’ <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, ‘Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.’ <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come out!’ <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, ‘Unbind him, and let him go.’ <sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

*Silence may follow each reading.*

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### Let us pray for the world and the church:

Let us pray: God our Creator, you breathed life into all your creatures at the beginning of time: We pray for all who are driven by fear at this time, for our leaders to make the tough and unpopular decisions; for Scott Morrison, our Prime Minister and Daniel Andrews, our Premier, 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. O God, renew your spirit of hope and possibility within us, **and we shall live.**

God our Redeemer, you hold before us the choice of life and death: hear our prayers for the worldwide church. 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. O God, renew your spirit of passion and power within us, **and we shall live.**

God our companion on the way: hear the prayers for the communities in which we live. We pray for the lonely, the fearful, those filled with resentment and mistrust, victims of abuse, intolerance and violence. O God, renew your spirit of reconciliation and love within us, **and we shall live.**

God our Comforter, you wept at the death of your friend Lazarus: hear our prayers for those in need and those who minister to them. We pray for the sick, the forgotten; those in misery, confusion or pain; 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*]. O God, renew your spirit of comfort and consolation within us, **and we shall live.**

God our Resurrection and Life, by your dying and rising you bring new life to us: hear our prayers for all who have died. We give you thanks for the faithful people of this parish; for those we remember at this time. Vern Dodge, Joseph Kranz, Wendy Hitchman (29<sup>th</sup>); Margaret Dumaresq (30<sup>th</sup>). Francis Walker, Bruce Walter, Graeme Martin (31<sup>st</sup>); Shannon Burr, William Rhue (1<sup>st</sup> April); Kelvin

Prosser (2<sup>nd</sup>); Johannes De Niet (3<sup>rd</sup>); Ian Kelm, John Butler (4<sup>th</sup>). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** O God, renew your spirit within us, **and we shall live.**

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... O God, renew your spirit within us, **and we shall live.**

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 BBQ for April falls on Easter Day and will not 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 or monthly 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 or monthly 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, biscuits, kids snacks, sugar and flour.**

**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]

### ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED TILL FURTHER NOTICE

**Op Shop closed till further notice.**

**Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April – Palm Sunday:** Isaiah 50.4 – 9a; Ps 31.9 – 18; Philippians 2.5 – 11; Matthew 27.11 – 54

### Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 72	Ps 73
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Jeremiah 40.1 – 12	Exodus 7.8 – 24
	Matthew 21.23 – 46	Galatians 6.11 – 18
Tuesday	Ps 59	Ps 58; 79
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Jeremiah 40.13 – 41.10	Exodus 7.25 – 8.19
	Matthew 22.1 – 33	Romans 5.6 – 19
Wednesday	Ps 74	Ps 75; 76
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Jeremiah 41.11 – 42.6	Exodus 8.20 – 9.12
	Matthew 22.34 – 23.12	1 Corinthians 1.18 – 31
Thursday	Ps 77	Ps 78.1 – 15
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Jeremiah 42.7 – 22	Exodus 9.13 – 35
	Matthew 23.13 – 26	Ephesians 2.11 – 22
Friday	Ps 78.16 – 38	Ps 78.39 – 70
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Jeremiah 43	Exodus 10.1 – 20
	Matthew 23 .27 – 24.2	Colossians 1.18 – 23
Saturday	Ps 80	Ps 81
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Jeremiah 45	Exodus 10.21 – 11.10
	Matthew 26.1 – 16	1 John 5.3 – 12

**Parish Website for information:** [www.anglicankilmore.org.au](http://www.anglicankilmore.org.au)

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## **Services for Holy week and Easter**

**Will be streamed from 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. Our Service will be streamed at 10.00am on Sundays. We hope to stream the services of Holy Week and Easter will let you know the times.**

7<sup>th</sup> April - Holy Tuesday: Tenebrae Service:

8<sup>th</sup> April - Holy Wednesday: Stations of the Cross:

9<sup>th</sup> April - Maundy Thursday Feet washing Holy Eucharist:

10<sup>th</sup> April - Good Friday:

11<sup>th</sup> April – Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil:

12<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Day: Holy Eucharist:

**Please remember to turn back your clock one hour on 2.00am Sunday morning 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020, Palm Sunday.**