

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. Our service starts on page 119 of A Prayer Book for Australia.

HYMNS: 362; 370; 380; 361

Sentence: Alleluia, Alleluia, This is the Day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. *(Luke 24.34; Psalm 118.24)*

THE COLLECT

Everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son to take our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross: in your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah chapter 65:17 - 25

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. ¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. ¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. ²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. ²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.²² They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.²³ They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD— and their descendants as well.²⁴ Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Hymn to the Risen Christ **Response – Sung: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us: so let us celebrate the feast, Not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more: death has no more dominion over him. In dying he died to sin once for all: in living he lives to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia See yourselves therefore as dead to sin: and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Christ has been raised from the dead: the first fruits of those who sleep. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

For as by one man came death: by another has come also resurrection of the dead; For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive. **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles chapter 10.34 – 43

Peter began to speak to the gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Chapter 24.1 - 12

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The

women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Easter, in the early Church was the time of baptism and it is customary for all the baptised to renew their vows on Easter Day.

Do you reject sin, so as to live in the freedom of God's children? I do.

Do you reject the glamour of evil, and refuse to be mastered by sin? **I do.**

Do you reject Satan, father of sin and prince of darkness? **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth? **I do.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?

I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. **I do.**

God, the all powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and forgiven all our sins. May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever. **Amen**

SPRINKLING

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray for church and the world.

Blessed be the risen Lord; he has broken from the tomb and opens for us the gate to life eternal. Blessed be the risen Lord; he comes to his disciples; where two or three gather together he is there. Blessed be the risen Lord: he comes from the dead with life, he brings us light and joy and hope. Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

Holy and everlasting God, we give you thanks for the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead: in him light triumphs over darkness, life triumphs over death; in him is our hope and the promise of life eternal. We pray for all who preach the gospel, for all who seek to lead others to the risen Lord, for all who teach of his forgiveness, for Clarence, our Bishop and Philip, our metropolitan and those who minister in your name; for all who have their hope set on eternal life; that we all may rejoice in the power of the risen Lord. Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

We look for the coming of peace on earth. Lord, let us hear that voice which says, 'Peace be with you'. Let your peace begin in our hearts and in our homes. Let your peace grow in our communities. Let your peace reach out into the whole world, especially Ukraine, Russia, Syria, Palestine, Israel, Afghanistan, Yemen, Somalia, Sri Lanka and Myanmar. Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

As the risen Lord appeared in the Upper Room, may he be known to be in our homes and among us. Lord, destroy all that would lock us in or deny us freedom; the uncertainty and fear of the current Covid pandemic, for Queensland and New South Wales victims of floods; enter our lives that we may live for you. Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

We think of all those who weep today, those newly separated from loved ones, all who are caught up in sorrow and are heavy-hearted, all who are distressed and overwrought. We remember all who mourn the loss of a loved one. Lord, wipe away all tears from their eyes, that they may see you and know life is eternal. Among the sick we pray especially for Elaine Haddock, Belinda Shannon, Sharron de Battista, Jim Chatz, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Chilcott, Beryl Kirby, Tom Scrivens, Geoff Kirby, Fiona Mctier, Robert Whalley, Candice Pearce, Russel Taylor, Kate Jessup, David Valentine, Margaret Taylor, Jeanne Jones, Anna Wiecek, Laurie Taylor, Rebecca Wallis, and Vince Fazio [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer*]. We give thanks for where healing blessings have been received. Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

We give you thanks and praise for the gift of eternal life. We rejoice with your saints in glory, and we pray for all our loved ones departed this life, that, free from sorrow and pain, they may be one with you in your kingdom. We pray for the recently departed Marjorie Boulton and those whose anniversary of death we remember this week: Dorothy Green, Jack Poulter (17th); Serge Akishev (18th); Ken Allen, Reginald Boyle, Marjorie Skinner, Barry Shaw, Michael Nelson (20th); Charles Thomas (21st); Violet Routledge; Alan Winnell (22nd); Leonard Lang, Bessie Stevens (23rd). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... (pause) Jesus, Risen Lord, **open to us the gate of glory.**

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:

Monday 16th May 2022 OP Shop committee Meeting at Church-house at 12.30 pm.

Parish Council meeting Wednesday 20th April 2022 at 7.30pm at Broadford.

Direct Debit /EFT Offerings – Account details: BENDIGO BANK – Account Name 'Anglican Parish of Kilmore'; BSB 633-000; Account Number 158946921. Reference: Offertory

PARISH DIARY [Regular Meetings and Events]

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

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 18th April Op shop: Closed

Wednesday 20th April 02.10pm - Res Eucharist Service at Dianella RACF

Thursday 21th April	10.00am – 12.00 Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting 10.00am Eucharist at St Matthew's, Broadford
Friday 22nd April	10.00am – 04.00pm Op shop: Trading 10.30am – Res Eucharist Blue Cross RACF

Saturday 23rd April 10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 24th April: Second Sunday of Easter: Acts 5.27 – 32; Ps 118.14 – 29; Revelation 1.4 – 8; John 20.19 – 31				
Christ Church, Kilmore 09.00am Holy Eucharist				
St Matthew's, Broadford	11.00am	Holy Eucharist		
St Stephen's, Tallarook		No Service.		
Transfiguration, Pyalong				

Daily Readings	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 107.1 – 22	Ps 107.23 – 43
18 th April	Isaiah 60.1 – 11	Exodus 12.1 – 10
	1 Peter 1.1 – 9	John 20.1 – 18
Tuesday	Ps 110; 111	Ps 112; 113
19 th April	Isaiah 60.12 – 21	Exodus 12.21 – 36
	1 Peter 1.10 – 17	John 20.19 – 31
Wednesday	Ps 114; 115	Ps 116; 117
20th April	Isaiah 61	Exodus 12.37 – 51
	1 Peter 1.18 – 2.3	John 21.1 – 14
Thursday	Ps 121; 122; 123	Ps 119.129 – 152
21 st April	Isaiah 62	Exodus 13.1 – 16
	1 Peter 2.4 – 10	John 21.15 – 25
Friday	Ps 118.1 – 18	Ps 118.19 – 29; 120
22 nd April	Isaiah 64	Exodus 13.17 – 14.14
	1 Peter 2.11 – 17	Mark 16.1 – 8
Saturday	Ps 124; 125; 126	Ps 127; 128; 129

23 rd April	Isaiah 65.17 – 25	Exodus 14.15 – 30
	1 Peter 2.18 – 25	Mark 16.9 – 20

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Love in Action: Thank you to all who responded to the donation of toilet paper it is much appreciated. For the rest of the month could you please donate Tuna Pasta Bake source and cans of tuna (425g). Any Easter eggs or bunnies will also be gratefully received. Thank you.

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

Thank you to all who made the Services of Holy Week and Easter possible. Service preparations, Palms, Flowers, Cleaning, Readers. An Amazing team effort. Thank you very much. Have a Blessed Easter!!!