



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

Sunday 28th November 2021
First Sunday of Advent:



*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 check in with the QR code provided. Please observe social distance and sanitise your hands on entering and when you leave the church. Please have your mask on during the service and remove only on receiving communion.** Our service starts on page 119 of A Prayer Book for Australia.*

HYMNS: 560; 580; 272; 273

The lighting of the first Advent candle:

Celebrant: Today we light the candle of hope. The people of Israel hoped in God's promises and was not disappointed. Again and again God delivered Israel from its enemies. We too have the same experience of salvation. That is why we believe in God's promise to send Jesus to us once again to judge the world and establish his kingdom forever upon the earth. *(the candle is lit)*

Synaxis: - Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle, we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

Let us pray: **Thank you God for the hope you give us. We ask that as we wait for all your promises to come true, and for Christ to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your hope with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.**

(The congregation sings the 1st verse and chorus of Hymn 265)

Sentence: Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near. *Luke 21.28*

Prayer of Preparation:

Invitation to Confession:

The Lord comes, bringing to light things now hidden in darkness, and disclosing the purposes of the heart.

Silence may be kept

Let us open our hearts and prepare for his coming, confessing our sins in penitence and faith

THE COLLECT

Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may go out joyfully to greet him; and, with all your saints, may worship you for ever; 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 the Prophet Jeremiah chapter 33.14 – 16

¹⁴ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and

righteousness in the land. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’

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

Silence may follow each reading

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 25.1 – 10

Said: Guide me, teach me, for you are my saviour.

¹ In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope: in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me. ² Let none who wait for you be put to shame: but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing. ³ Show me your ways, O Lord: and teach me your paths. ⁴ Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me: for you are the God of my salvation. ⁵ In you have I hoped all the day long: because of your goodness, O Lord. **Guide me, teach me, for you are my saviour.**

⁶ Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness: for they are from of old. ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: but according to your mercy think on me. ⁸ Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he direct sinners in the way. ⁹ The meek he will guide in the path of justice: and teach the humble his ways. ¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true: for those who keep his covenant and his commandments. **Guide me, teach me, for you are my saviour.**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians Chapter 3.9 – 13

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. ¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹² And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³ And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that

you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Chapter 21.25 – 38

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁵ ‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶ People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.²⁷ Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ ²⁹ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰ as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place.³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴ ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵ like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’ ³⁷ Every day he was teaching in the temple, and at night he would go out and spend the night on the Mount of Olives, as it was called. ³⁸ And all the people would get up early in the morning to listen to him in the temple.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray: Jesus, we wait for you. In confidence that your coming among us draws near, we bring our prayers for your world and for your church.

O God, your coming fulfils your promises of justice and of peace. We pray for an equitable rollout of vaccines to nations to combat the Covid pandemic. We pray for the peoples of all nations, especially Syria, Palestine, Israel, USA, Sudan, Myanmar and Russia. Bring to end war and oppression, that your people may be set free to live in safety and harmony. Come, Jesus, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, your coming shakes the powers of heaven and the peoples of earth. We pray for the leaders of nations and all in positions of authority, especially for Scott Morrison our Prime Minister and Daniel Andrews our Premier of Victoria. Teach us your ways of righteousness and truth, that we may enjoy wise government and live in a spirit of generosity to all people. Come, Jesus, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, your coming heralds the time of our redemption. We pray for your holy, catholic church, its people and clergy, especially for Philip, our Archbishop and Clarence, our bishop. Waken us from the sleep of sin, that at your coming we may be found watchful and ready to greet you. Come, Jesus, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, your coming shows us the way of steadfast love. We pray for all whom we love and all with whom we share our lives. We pray for our community and all communities struggling with the effects of drought, bushfires and floods. Give us a true care for each other, that we may live as a loving and reconciling community. Come, Jesus, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, your coming brings healing and hope to your people. We pray for those whose bodies hurt, whose minds are confused, whose hearts are sad. We pray especially for: 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, Jamie Meyer and Vince Fazio ... [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer.*]. Bring comfort and relief to those in distress, that they may know themselves held in your tender care. We give thanks for where healing blessings have been received. Come, Jesus, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, we wait for you to come in power and in great glory. We give you thanks for your faithful servants of every age, for all who see you now in your heavenly glory. We pray for those whose anniversary of death we remember today: William Ludlow (28th); Rita Castles, Edward Ryan (29th); Raymond Speirs, Stan Pawlicki, Kay Kirk (30th); Paul Sutton (1st December); Lillian Evans (2nd); Esma Woods, Albert Boyd (3rd); Hilda Maher, Neil Pearce (4th); Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** Strengthen us to follow you in faith and hope and love, that at the day of your coming we, with all your saints, may go with joy to meet you and stand before you, blameless in your eyes. Come, Jesus, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... (pause) Come, 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 the bread of the Lord's Supper with us. Non-Communicants are invited to come and receive a blessing.

Notices:

Monday 17th January 2022 OP Shop committee Meeting at Church-house at 12.30 pm.

Parish Council meeting Wednesday 20th January 2021 at 7.30pm at Kilmore.

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.

3rd Wednesday of the month: Parish Council meeting at 7.30pm

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 29 th November	10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop: Trading, Drop off
Tuesday 30 th November	6.30pm – Advent Bible Study at Kilmore
Wednesday 1 st December	
Thursday 2 nd December	10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew’s Broadford 10.00am – 12.00 Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting
Friday 3 rd December	10.30am – Res Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF 10.00am – 04.00pm Op shop: Trading
Saturday 4 th December	10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 5th November: Second Sunday of Advent: Malachi 3.1 – 14; Song of Zechariah; Philippians 1.1 – 11; Luke 3.1 – 6		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthew’s, Broadford	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Stephen’s, Tallarook	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Transfiguration, Pyalong	until	Further notice

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 69.1 – 16	Ps 69.17 – 23, 31 – 38
29 th November	Isaiah 40.1 – 17	Isaiah 1.18 – 31
	Mark 4.1 – 20	1 Thessalonians 1
Tuesday	Ps 72	Ps 75; 76
30 th November	Isaiah 40.18 – 31	Isaiah 2.6 – 18
	Mark 4.21 – 41	1 Thessalonians 2.1 – 12
Wednesday	Ps 74	Ps 75; 76
1 st December	Isaiah 41.1 – 16	Isaiah 2.19 – 3.12
	Mark 5.1 – 20	1 Thessalonians 2.13 – 20
Thursday	Ps 77	Ps 78.1 – 15

2 nd December	Isaiah 41.17 – 29	Isaiah 3.13 – 4.6
	Mark 5.21 – 43	1 Thessalonians 3
Friday	Ps 78.16 – 38	Ps 78.39 – 70
3 rd December	Isaiah 42.1 – 17	Isaiah 5.1 – 17
	Mark 6.1 – 13	1 Thessalonians 4.1 – 12
Saturday	Ps 80	Ps 81
4 th December	Isaiah 42.18 – 43.13	Isaiah 5.18 – 30
	Mark 6. 14 – 29	1 Thess. 4.13 – 5.11

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Love in Action Broadford and Kilmore.

Big thank you for your emergency food which has been coming each week. This is greatly appreciated. **In preparation for Christmas**, we are asking you early to give people time. All gifts must be new. We have single people and different age groups. We have single mothers and single fathers. We propose the following possibilities:

1. You might like to take a family and buy gifts for all the members of that family. We will match you with a family of the size you choose and also give you a list of the things the children have chosen on their wish list. They remain unanimous but ages and choices will be provided.
2. You might like to donate specific gift vouchers as we give these to our teenagers.
3. You might like to buy individual gifts.

We will make up Christmas food hampers and will soon be asking for Christmas

foods when it becomes available in shops. Contact me or chat with Sherine if you have any queries.

God bless,
Barb Radford 0412 287 306

Advent Bible Study Tuesday 30th November 2021 at 06.30pm with bring and share finger supper. Christ Church, Kilmore. **Thursday mornings** at St Matthew's Broadford at 10.40am to 11.15am.

Parish Council end of year gathering with partners / spouses on Tuesday the 14th December 06.00pm for 6.30pm "Bring and Share" at Gavan Hall Broadford.

Op Shop Volunteers' Christmas Lunch Thursday 16th December 12.30pm at Christ Church.

Notice of Application for Faculty

TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Your attention is drawn to the following resolution passed by the Parish Council: -

To build a Ambulette Toilet at St Stephen's, Main Road, Tallarook.

Comments on this proposal may be made by parishioners **in writing** to the Vestry/Parish Secretary, provided such comments are made within the period of exhibition, which must be for at least four (4) consecutive Sundays.

19th *Carols and Lessons in Kilmore* 6.00pm (Community Carols)

24th December – Christmas Eve

11.30 pm **Midnight Mass** Broadford

25th December - **Christmas Day**

09.00am Holy Eucharist – Christ Church, Kilmore

26th December – First Sunday after Christmas

10.00am Holy Eucharist – Christ Church, Kilmore

Combined Service Kilmore (one service only)