



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

Sunday 9th January 2022

The Baptism of our Lord



*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 19 of A Prayer Book for Australia.*

Sentence: The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' *Luke 3.22*

THE COLLECT

Loving God, your Son came to seek the lost, and was baptised with sinners: grant that we, who have been baptised in his name, may reach out in love to those in need with the mercy of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah Chapter 43.1 – 7

¹ But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³ For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴ Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶ I will say to the north, ‘Give them up’, and to the south, ‘Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth — ⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.’

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

Silence may follow each reading

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 29

Said: The Lord will bless his people.

¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven: ascribe to the Lord glory and might.

² Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name: O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness. ³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters: the God of glory thunders, the Lord upon the great waters. ⁴ The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation: the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice. ⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar-trees: the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon. **The Lord will bless his people.**

⁶ He makes them skip like a calf: Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox. ⁷ The voice of the Lord divides the lightning-flash: the voice of the Lord whirls the sands of the desert, the Lord whirls the desert of Kadesh. ⁸ The voice of the Lord rends the terebinth trees, and strips bare the forests: in his temple all cry ‘Glory.’ ⁹ The Lord sits enthroned above the water-flood: the Lord sits enthroned as a king for ever. ¹⁰ The Lord will give strength to his people: the Lord will give to his people the blessing of peace. **The Lord will bless his people.**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles Chapter 8.14 – 17

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵ The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶ (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

The heavens were open and the Father’s voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Chapter 3.15 – 22

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, ‘I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.’ ¹⁸ So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. ¹⁹ But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother’s wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰ added to them all by shutting up John in prison. ²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

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

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray:

Life-giving God, we bring to you our prayers for the world and for the church.

At the dawn of time your Spirit hovered over the waters of the deep and brought form and life to your creation: overshadow your world today and give to us a new sense of wonder and responsibility for this planet and all its creatures. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the days of the great flood, you saved Noah from the waters of death and made a covenant with Noah and his descendants: look with compassion today on all in danger from natural disaster, on the effect of the Covid pandemic on all the vulnerable of nations and from those catastrophes that we inflict ourselves. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In ancient times you brought your chosen people from slavery to freedom through the waters of the Red Sea: liberate your people today who are held in the bondage of cruelty, oppression or injustice, so they may live in dignity, freedom and hope. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the waters of the River Jordan, your Son Jesus Christ was baptized with those he came to save: bring your people today to seek salvation that you offer so we may turn away from all that holds us in the power of evil. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Through the waters of baptism, you seal us as your own and make us one with all who bear your name: We pray for the leaders of churches, for Philip, our Archbishop and Clarence, our Bishop, empower us with your spirit to faithfully serve you and proclaim your good news of justice, peace, redemption and love. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

At Jesus' baptism, you named him your beloved Son and anointed him with power for ministry: bring healing today to those who are sick, hope to those in despair and comfort to the lost and lonely ones of our community. 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, David Valentine, Margaret Taylor, Jeanne Jones, 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. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Ever-living God, by the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us to new and everlasting life: may we so pattern our lives on your Son, that we, also, may be found pleasing in your eyes and take our place with your beloved daughters and sons of every time and nation. We pray for those we remember at this time: George Brown, Ernest Shinn (9th); David Nolan, June Winnell (10th); Alma Fleming, Terence Guinelly, Joan Scale, June Arbuthnot (11th); William Harrington, Cynthia Hill, Alma Smith (12th); Vera Brereton, John James (13th); George Glover, Mildred Ollett, Sidney Edge (14th); Laurel Kennard, William Begley, Bruce Insley (15th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** (pause) God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... (pause) God, 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 19th 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 10th January 10.00am – 12.00pm Op shop: Trading

Wednesday 12th January

Thursday 13th January 10.00am – 12.00 Op shop: Trading, Drop off, sorting

Friday 14th January 10.00am – 04.00pm Op shop: Trading
10.30 – Res Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF

Saturday 15th January 10.00am – 12.00 noon Op Shop

Next Sunday 16th January 2022: The Second Sunday after Epiphany: Isaiah 62.1 – 5; Ps 36.5 – 10; 1 Corinthians 12.1 – 11; John 2.1 – 11.

Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Morning Prayer
St Matthew's, Broadford	11.00am	Morning Prayer
St Stephan's, Tallarook	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Transfiguration, Pyalong	Until further	Notice

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 25	Ps 27
10 th January	Jeremiah 1	Genesis 1.1 – 19
	Colossians 1.1 – 8	John 6.28 – 40
Tuesday	Ps 28; 29	Ps 30; 32
11 th January	Jeremiah 2.1 – 19	Genesis 1.20 – 2.3
	Colossians 1.9 – 20	John 6.41 – 59
Wednesday	Ps 33	Ps 31
12 th January	Jeremiah 2.20 – 32	Genesis 2.4 – 25
	Colossians 1.21 – 29	John 6.60 – 71
Thursday	Ps 35.1 – 17	Ps 35.18 – 29; 36
13 th January	Jeremiah 3.6 – 23	Genesis 3.1 – 19
	Colossians 2.1 – 7	John 7.1 – 13
Friday	Ps 34	Ps 119.17 – 40
14 th January	Jeremiah 4.1 – 18	Genesis 3.20 – 4.16
	Colossians 2.8 – 15	John 7.14 – 24
Saturday	Ps 37.1 – 17	Ps 37.18 – 41
15 th January	Jeremiah 4.19 – 31	Genesis 4.17-5.5; 5.21-24
	Colossians 2.16 – 23	John 7.25 – 36

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