



**Anglican Parish of Kilmore,
Broadford, Pyalong and Tallarook
6th January 2019
The Epiphany of our Lord**



*Welcome to all, especially, 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 join us for Morning Tea after the Eucharist. **Our service starts on page 119 of A Prayer Book for Australia.***

Today: Christ Church, Kilmore: 09.00am – Holy Eucharist; St Matthew's, Broadford: 11.00am – Holy Eucharist; St Stephen's Tallarook: 11.00am Morning Prayer.

HYMNS: 207; 307; 675; 268

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

The Magi finally comes to adore Jesus and acknowledge him as God and King and offer their gifts. (*Magi are place in the manger*)

Let us pray:

Dear Lord Jesus, we acknowledge you as our Lord and Saviour. We have nothing to offer you, we have no gold of love, we have not the incense of prayer, and no myrrh of mortification. What then shall we offer you? We only have our hearts to give, filthy and poor as it is. Please accept the gift of our hearts and change it to your honour and glory. **Amen.**

Sentence:

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Isaiah 60.1

THE COLLECT

Everlasting God, who brought the nations to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising: fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the nations; through him who is the true light and the bright morning star, Jesus Christ your Son, 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 Isaiah Chapter 60.1 – 6

¹ Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ² For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³ Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow each reading

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 72.1 – 7, 10 – 14

Said/ Sung: Every nation of the earth will adore you, Lord.

¹ Give the king your judgement, O God: and your righteousness to the son of a king, ² That he may judge your people rightly: and the poor of the land with equity. ³ Let the mountains be laden with peace because of his righteousness: and the hills also with prosperity for his people. ⁴ May he give justice to the poor among the people: and rescue the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor...**R**

⁵ May he live while the sun endures: and while the moon gives light, throughout all generations. ⁶ May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields: and as showers that water the earth. ⁷ In his time shall righteousness flourish: and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more. ¹⁰ The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring tribute: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts...**R**

¹¹ All kings shall fall down before him: and all nations do him service. ¹² He will deliver the needy when they cry: and the poor that have no helper. ¹³ He will pity the helpless and the needy: and save the lives of the poor. ¹⁴ He will redeem them from oppression and violence: and their blood shall be precious in his sight...**R**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians Chapter 3.1 – 12

¹ This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things;¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal

purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 2.1 – 12

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶ “And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.” ’ ⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray:

Our prayer responses are: God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

Lift up your eyes and look around; see the glory of God revealed. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

You revealed yourself to the world and the heavens announced your coming; open our eyes to find you today in the wonders of your creation and in all who work for the preservation of your beautiful world. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

You revealed yourself to the world and the kings bow in adoration before a baby; open our eyes to find you today in the weak and vulnerable people of the world and in all who choose to set aside pomp and privilege. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

You revealed yourself to the world and a tyrant is filled with fear; open our eyes to find you today in those who suffer at the hands of tyrants and in all who challenge harsh and corrupt regimes. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

You revealed yourself to the world and the Gentiles became heirs to your mystery; open our eyes to find you today in those outside your church and in all who work to break down barriers of exclusion. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

You revealed yourself to the world and the sick are healed, the sad are comforted; open our eyes to find you today in those who suffer in body, mind or spirit and in all who seek to alleviate the pain of others. We pray especially for: Richard Patterson, Bruce Radford, Clare Albrey, Kathy Slade, Karen Goodger, Belinda Shannon, Jenny Curry, Seth Gunter, Tom Scrivens, Joy Rowe, Rob Muddyman, Elaine Haddock, Francis Piva, Sharron de Battista, Barry Watts, Fr John Young, Ray Daly, Marguerite Kisvardai, Jim Chatz, Bruce Scott, Val Watts, Shirley Perkins, Madeline Allen, Barry Nunn, and Beris Hannam. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers.**

You revealed yourself to the world and we share in the promise of your glory; open our eyes to find you today that we may neither carelessly miss nor willfully ignore your presence among us. We pray for those whom we remember today: Patty James (7th); Michael Perry, Judith Carboon, Irene Anderson (8th); George Brown, Ernest Shinn (9th); David Nolan, June Winnell (10th); Alma Fleming, Terence Guinelly (11th); William Harrington, Cynthia Hill, Alma Smith (12th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them**. May we, like the sages of old, read the signs of your coming, follow your light and be drawn to adoration in your presence. (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers**.

We pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... (pause) God of signs and wonders, **hear our prayers**.

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.**

Celebrant [Let us pray] **Page 125**

It is the custom of our church to invite all baptised communicant members of other Christian traditions to share the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper with us. Non-Communicants are invited to come and receive a blessing.

NOTICES:

Next Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 23rd January 2019 at Kilmore 7.30pm.

Monthly “BBQ”- Our next BBQ on 27th January 2019 will be at the home of Caroline Burge. As well as celebrating Australia Day on this day, we will also have some iced bubbly to celebrate the first anniversary of Fr Andre and Patty's time amongst us. Bring and share meat, salads, desserts and drinks. All welcome from 12.30pm. Contact Caroline for more information.

Op Shop - Helpers are always needed at our Op Shop to assist with sorting and serving. Our Op Shop is an integral part of our parish life and ministry. If you would like to assist in any way, or if you want further information, please see Dianne Dixon or one of the Op Shop workers.

Emergency Relief: For next week PLEASE donate Icy Poles called “Zooper Doopers.”

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 – 12.00 noon

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 Meeting, 7.30 pm.

Wednesdays 10 am: Knitting Group at Christ Church.

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Friday 4th January 10.00am – 4.00pm Op Shop Church House

Saturday 5th January 10.00am – 12.00pm Op Shop Church House

Next Sunday 13th January: The Baptism of our Lord Isaiah 43.1 – 7; Ps 29; Acts 8.14 – 17; Luke 3.15 – 22		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Morning Prayer
St Matthew's, Broadford	11.00am	Morning Prayer
St Stephen's, Tallarook	11.00am	Morning Prayer

Parish Priest - Revd André Du Plooy, 9 Union Street, Kilmore, Ph 5782 1155; Mobile 0458 155 930; PO Box 289 Kilmore 3764.

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Daily Scripture readings	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 19	Ps 119.1 – 16
7 th January	Song of Songs 1.1 – 11	Song of Songs 1.12 – 2.7
	John 4.39 – 54	Ephesians 4.17 – 28
Tuesday	Ps 20; 21.1 – 7	Ps 24; 26

8 th January	Song of Songs 2.8 – 17	Song of Songs 3
	John 5.1 – 18	Ephesians 4.29 – 5.5
Wednesday	Ps 22.1 – 22	Ps 22.23 – 32; 23
9 th January	Song of Songs 4.1 – 8	Song of Songs 4.9 – 5.1
	John 5.19 – 29	Ephesians 5.6 – 20
Thursday	Ps 25	Ps 27
10 th January	Song of Songs 5.2 – 9	Song of Songs 5.10 – 6.3
	John 5.30 – 47	Ephesians 5.21 – 33
Friday	Ps 28; 29	Ps 30; 32
11 th January	Song of Songs 6.4 – 12	Song of Songs 6.13 – 7.9
	John 6.1 – 15	Ephesians 6.1 – 9
Saturday	Ps 33	Ps 63
12 th January	Song of Songs 7.10 – 8.4	Joshua 3
	John 6.16 – 27	Mark 10.32 – 45

Parish Website for information: www.anglicankilmore.org.au

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.

**Lay Ministry Invigoration Seminar: Saturday 23rd February 2019,
9.30am - 1.30pm (Registration from 8.30am - 9.30am)**

Where: Purbrick Hall, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Wangaratta

Who: For those people requiring a Bishop's authorisation for ministry and clergy

Names must be submitted by 13th February 2019.

Cost: \$10 - includes morning tea and lunch Payment: Payable on the day
Or by cheque to: Wangaratta Anglican Diocesan Corporation Or for direct payment details phone 03 5721 3484

Focus: Risk Management Eucharistic assistants, pastoral visiting and home communion Lay ministry and lay readers Liturgical and children's ministry Parish safe Church officers.

Eucharist and distribution of Bishop's licenses at 12.30pm. Followed by lunch to help you on your way

The Australian Church:

The Diocese of Bendigo Bishop Matt Brain, Clergy and People

Our Diocese:

Alpine Anglican Parish: Assisting Priest: Richard Pennington; the Parish leaders and community, All Saints', Bright, St Etheldredas, Harrietville St Paul's, Myrtleford, St John's, Whorouly

The World – Australia – Local Community

Emergency workers and all whose training is used well in times of crisis
Those with little apparent hope VCC emergency workers and chaplains.

Other

CFA, SES, Police, Ambulance and other voluntary emergency organisations