

The Anglican Church of Australia  
Diocese of Wangaratta

## The Parish of Kilmore

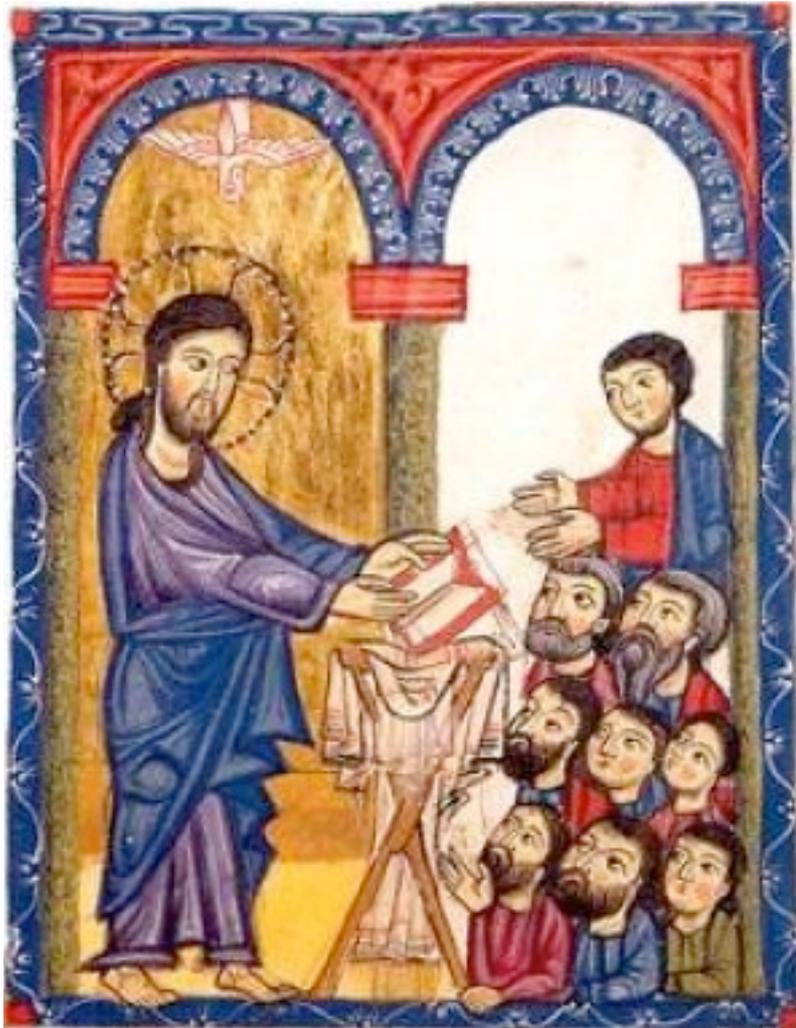
with Broadford, Pyalong & Tallarook

5th July 2015

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

**HYMNS: 613, 636, 658, Pew sheet [Tune 136]**

*A warm welcome to everyone, please stay and enjoy hospitality after the service.*



*Introit Hymn from the red Hymn Book*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

We are the body of Christ.

**His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

*The Liturgy continues on page 119 Green Prayer Book*



For behold, the kings of the earth assembled and swept forward together.  
They saw, and were dumbfounded; dismayed, they fled in terror.  
Trembling seized them there; they writhed like a woman in labour,  
as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish./R

As we had heard, so have we seen  
in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our God:  
God has established her for ever./R

We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God,  
in the midst of your temple.  
As with your name, O God,  
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth;  
your right hand is full of justice.  
Let Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad,  
because of your judgements, O Lord./R

Walk about Zion and go round about her; count all her towers;  
consider well her bulwarks; pass through her citadels,  
That you may tell those who come after  
that such is our God for ever and ever.  
It is he that shall be our guide for evermore./R

## SECOND READING

## 2 Corinthians 12.2-10

[Paul refuses to boast in anything except his weaknesses, since God has given him a “thorn in his side” to keep him from being conceited, and so he celebrates his weaknesses for it is in them that God’s strength is made perfect.]

*A reading from Paul’s second letter to the Corinthians*

Paul writes, ‘I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know – God knows. And I know that this man – whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows – was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.’ Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.’

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

I will boast gladly | of my weaknesses,  
so that the power of Christ may | dwell in me.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

**Mark 6.1-13**

[Jesus preaches in his home town but the people reject him because they know him, and cannot honour him. Then Jesus sends the twelve out in pairs, with no resources, to preach, and they go, proclaim Jesus' message, heal, and cast out demons.]

*A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark*

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

We praise your abiding guidance, O God, for you sent us Jesus, our Teacher and Messiah, to model for us the way of love for the whole universe; open our ears to hear your word and draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ your Son.

God of grace; **hear our prayer.**

God of gods and King of kings; you called and anointed David, you called and blessed Paul, and through your Son Jesus, who called the twelve to follow, and sent them forth to proclaim your kingdom. You called into being your church and equipped us and enabled us to trust you above all voices, beyond all of our

prejudices and fears; we pray for all leaders in your church; those who minister, prophets and teachers, pastors and priests; we pray for our Diocese, for Bishop John and for our parish; give us the courage to follow and serve you among all of our neighbours and be with one another in the body of Christ.

God of grace; **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, you send us in the power of your Spirit to proclaim the breaking-in of your kingdom; yet we find there are so many challenges, so much need, so many wounded people; we pray for strength and courage to work for justice and healing for those who are forgotten and hurting in our world, and for the humility to seek your Spirit's strength and wisdom in all that we do and are in your name.

God of grace; **hear our prayer.**

Compassionate One, we pray for all in need, those who are frightened and made anxious by change, and uncertainty; for the lonely and the sad; those whose needs go unmet; those suffering sickness and pain of body and mind; for the dying and those who care for them; we offer prayer for those on our hearts and those who have requested prayer;

**Requests for Prayer:** *Chris Schafer, Glen Turnbull, Karen Goodger, Alex Impols, Cathy Moseley, & Melissa & family, Seth Gunther, Tom & Sandra Davidson & Bianca Davidson, Tom Scrivens, Jenny Curry, Dianne Mitsakis, Mark Bennetts, Barbara Kaye, Matthew Parker, Darron & Silva, Sarah, Margeurite Kisvardai.*

May our prayer and action bring comfort, healing and hope, and we give thanks for healing and blessings wherever received.

God of grace; **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we remember all who have died in the faith, those who have spread your gospel in every generation; for the recently departed, and those years mind occurring at this time;

**Year's mind:** *5th Herbert Chapman, Ivy Sobey, Violet White; 6th Fiona Hill, Beverley Stack; 8th Wilfred Horwood, Phillip Downie; 9th Jack Pontin; 10th Alan Winnell, Greg Potts, Winifred Barber, Alan Busch; 11th Darren White, Joe Johnstone, Violet Ball.*

Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

God of grace; **hear our prayer.**

Those things, good Lord, that we your servants have prayed for, give us grace to work for; hear us as we pray for ourselves .....; may the purposes of your love be the fulfilment of our hopes, and, as we are sent forth, may we glory in your truth, now and always.

God of grace; **hear our prayer.**

Accept our prayer in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray; **Our Father** ..... [pg 124]

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## **Prayer after Communion**

O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world and so come to the fullness of joy in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## **Reflections on the Readings**

Two complementary ideas come together in a very challenging way in this week's readings. Firstly, the "sentness" of God's people is reflected in David's appointment as king over all of Israel and Judah including the establishment of Jerusalem as the city of David and of God as celebrated in Psalm 48; in Paul's ministry; and in Jesus' work in his home town and his sending of the twelve to preach and demonstrate God's Reign. Secondly, this sending always requires a dependence on God. David's journey, which we have been following over the last few weeks, reveals how much he depended on God in his ascension to the throne. Paul recognises that God's strength is made perfect in his weakness, and so he refuses to boast in anything except his dependence on God. Finally, Jesus sends his disciples out, with no real resources, but to be ready to rely on the hospitality of others for their basic needs, and depending on God for the power to fulfil their ministry. There is no shortage of work to be done in our world today. The issues of justice are many, they are diverse and they require people of passion, commitment and with a sense of being "called" or "sent". But, for justice to become a reality in our nations and communities, there must be a sense in which all of the individual initiatives connect and form part of a larger whole. It is not just individuals who are sent, but groups and communities, and as we work together, each with our own particular gifting or focus, we can make significant difference. However, it is all too easy, in our communities and families, to receive God's call to leadership and ministry as some sort of "promotion" to a place of status. It is all too easy to begin to lean on our own wisdom, abilities, and charisma to do the work we are called to do. But, when we give into these temptations, arrogance, abusive or controlling behaviour can close off team work and the ideas and contributions of others. We are always sent as individuals because of our connection with, and our place in, a "sent community", and we are always sent to serve, which requires both trust in God's message and mission, and the humility to be vulnerable to those to whom we seek to minister. The resources by which we serve are also not our own, but are gifts we receive from God, and from others who are "called" to resource God's work. In this way, ministry becomes an act of community-building and of mutual service and faith. And, when we begin to live and serve like this, we truly begin to experience life as God intended it.

*Adapted from John van de Laar (2015) [www.sacredise.com](http://www.sacredise.com)*

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## Hymn God is Friendly [Tune 136]

1. Jesus Christ, we know his story,  
all disciples should attend  
to His message, to his challenge,  
calling us to be a friend.

2. When our life is stress and sorrow,  
when our hope seems at an end,  
strength and purpose can renew us,  
if we know we have a friend.

3. Joys of life enhance its beauty,  
gentleness and virtues blend,  
happiness is so much deeper,  
with the closeness of a friend.

4. We are called to love and service;  
on each other we depend;  
and our Lord has shown us clearly  
what it means to be a friend.

5. God, in Christ, unveils the mystery,  
difficult to comprehend -  
love, it streams with no restrictions;  
“Yes”, God says, “I call you friend”.

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## NOTICES

**Parish BBQ Next Sunday 12 July** will be at Beris Hannam’s home 37/33 Elms Blvd, Kilmore. As it is winter the menu will be soups and bakes (quiche, frittata,) and salad and a dessert. Please bring enough to share.

**Faith Enhancement Group** meets 7.00pm Friday 17th July @ 13 The Parade Broadford. If you would like to attend and need transport please contact Fr Kim.

**Offering Envelopes** there has been a delay in getting new offering envelopes from the printers. We have been provided with blank envelopes to see us through until the new ones arrive. Envelopes in bundles of 6 are available in the narthex.

**Request for Prayer List edit:** Please provide to Fr Kim names to be kept or added to the list of people requesting prayer. People must have given permission for their names to be listed. The new list will commence next Sunday.

**Knitters,** for knitting squares, scarves and beanies for Missions through Assumption College. Squares need to be 55 stitches wide with 8 ply wool and number 8 needles.

**2015 Bishop’s Winter Appeal for Anglicare Hume** - donations sought to support the programs provided by Anglicare which includes, counselling, emergency food distribution, parish programs and special needs. Donations are tax deductible, provide details if receipt needed.

**Direct Debit Offerings** - Parish Account details: CBA Account Name ‘Kilmore Anglican Parish’; BSB 063-698; Account Number 1018 4649.



## Parish Diary

1st Wed	7.30pm	Property Committee Meeting	venue TBA
1st & 3rd Fri	7.00pm	Faith Enhancement Study	13 The Parade, Broadford
2nd Sun	12.30pm	Parish BBQ	See Notices for details
3rd Tues	1.30pm	St Matthew's Friendship Group	Gavan Hall Broadford
3rd Wed	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	venue TBA
4th Sun	5.00pm	Church 4 Kids	Christ Church

### Parish life this week

Monday 6th	<i>[John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs (d. 1535)]</i>
Wednesday 7th	10.00am Eucharist Christ Church Seymour
Thursday 9th	10.00am Eucharist St Matthews Broadford 10.00am Eucharist Willowmeade 11.15am Eucharist Caladenia 4.00pm Eucharist Dianella
Friday 10th	11.00am - 4.00pm Deanery Meeting 10.00am - 4.00pm Op Shop, Church House
Saturday 11th	<i>[Benedict of Nursia, abbot (d. 550)]</i> 10.00am- 12.00pm Op Shop, Church House

### SERVICES

**Next Sunday: 12th July 2015 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost [15]**

2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 24; 2 Ephesians 1.1-14; Mark 6.14-29

<b>Christ Church</b>	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
<b>St Matthews</b>	11.00am	Morning Prayer
<b>St Stephens</b>	11.00am	Holy Eucharist
<b>Transfiguration</b>	4.00pm	No service this day

### Parish Clergy

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