

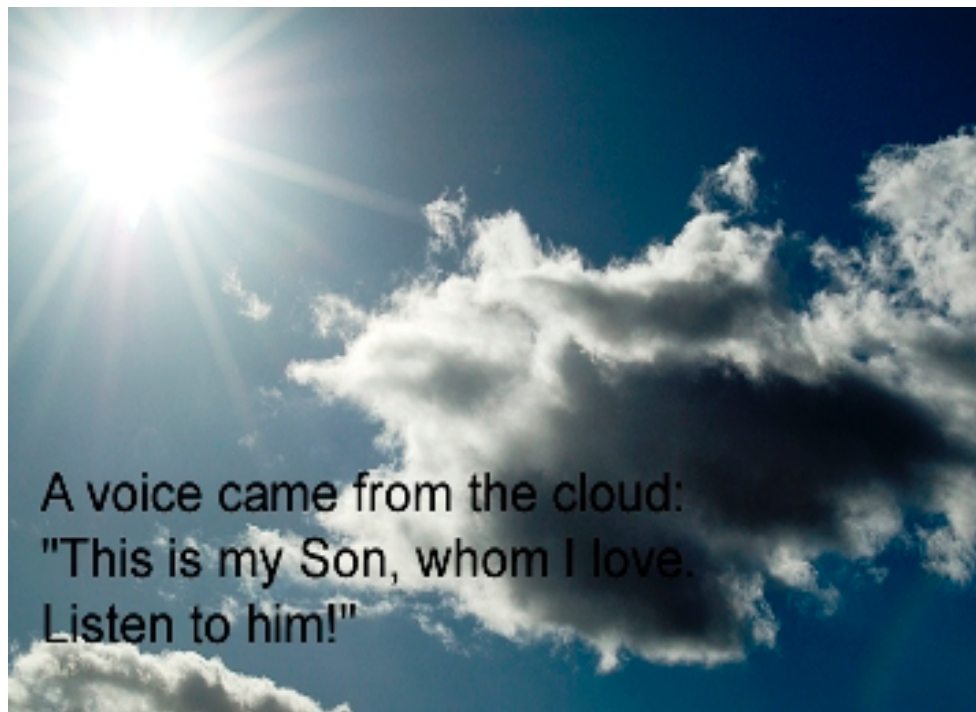


**Anglican Parish of Kilmore,
Broadford, Pyalong and Tallarook**

Sunday 23rd February 2020

Last Sunday after Epiphany

Transfiguration



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 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.

HYMNS: 147; 212; 650; 143

Sentence:

Suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him!' *Matthew 17.5*

Invitation to Confession

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Silence may be kept.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

THE COLLECT

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children: make us, with Christ, heirs of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Exodus Chapter 24.12 – 18

¹² The LORD said to Moses, ‘Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.’ ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, ‘Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.’ ¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

Responsorial Psalm: 2

Said/ Sung: Lord let us behold your glory

¹ Why are the nations in tumult: and why do the peoples cherish a vain dream?

² The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers conspire together: against the Lord and against his anointed, saying, ³ ‘Let us break their bonds asunder: let us throw off their chains from us.’ ⁴ He that dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn: the Lord will hold them in derision...**R**

⁵ Then will he speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury: ‘I, the Lord, have set up my king on Zion my holy hill.’ ⁶ I will announce the Lord's decree,

that which he has spoken: 'You are my son, this day have I begotten you. ⁷ 'Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance: the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession...**R**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Second Letter of Peter Chapter 1.16 – 21

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him.

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Chapter 17.1 – 9

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹ As they

were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, ‘Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.’

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

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray: God of all glory, it is good that we are here in your presence.

On Mount Sinai you glory overshadowed Moses and you gave him your holy law: may your world today receive your wisdom and word, that nations may dwell in peace and be governed for the good of all. (pause) God of mercy, hear our prayer.

On the mountain of the transfiguration you revealed Christ’s glory and majesty: may your church today reveal your glory to others, that your gospel may be proclaimed in all the world. (pause) God of mercy, hear our prayer.

On the mountain-top Peter, James and John trembled in the presence of your glory: may the communities in which we live glimpse the splendor of your glory, that we may live in relationships which reflect your transfiguring love. (pause) God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Your beloved Son was clothed in glory, but he suffered rejection, pain and death: may your beloved sons and daughters who suffer today be clothed in your transforming grace, that they may receive consolation in their sorrow and healing in their pain. We pray especially for: Clare Albrey, Kathy Slade, Belinda Shannon, Jenny Curry, Seth Gunter, Tom Scrivens, Rob Muddyman, Elaine Haddock, Francis Piva, Sharron de Battista, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Jim Chatz, Bruce Scott, Val Watts, Shirley Perkins, Madeline Allen, Barry Nunn, Beris Hannam, Joyce Bennet, Gwen Bushell, Debbie Lloyd, Christine Hall, June Clark, Fr John Young, Anne Foote, Debbie Chilcott, and Sally Davidson [*parishioners are invited to add names of those they hold in prayer*]. (pause) God of mercy, hear our prayer.

God of all glory, we give you thanks for your prophets and holy people of every age, for Moses and Elijah, for Peter, James and John, and for all who have beheld your glory. We remember the faithful departed: Win Derman, Fred Grimwade, Jean Rasmussen, Cynthia June Sherwood, Bertram Charles Congram (23rd), Phyliss Downing, Florence Britten (24th); Robert Keath, Mabel Wittingslow, Raymond ‘Bill’ Boulton (25th), John Brown, Rex Collett (26th), John Smith, Cecil Edge, Douglas Boulton (28th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them**. May we, like them, be changed from glory into glory, that transformed into your likeness we may dwell for ever in your holy presence. (pause) God of mercy, hear our prayer.

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... (pause) God of 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.**

NOTICES:

Diocesan Fire Appeal: The Diocese of Wangaratta will be supporting those in need following the fires that are ravaging so much of our Diocese. If anyone would like to donate, please consider doing so using the following details: Diocese of Wangaratta Disaster Fund - WESTPAC (BSB 033260) Account no: 111787 and use as reference your surname or organization or parish name followed by/ 1405. Donations are tax deductible and if so required, please email details of your deposit to Julie Torpey at accounts@wangarattaanglican.org.au

Monthly Parish BBQ: of 8th March will be at the home of Norm and Anne Rose, 56A Fitzroy Street, Kilmore. In the form of a “bring and share” BBQ. BYO meat, and salads, sweets and drinks to share. If you wish to host the next BBQ please let Fr André or Caroline know.

World Day of Prayer: Christ Church will be hosting the ecumenical World Day of Prayer in Kilmore this year on Friday March 6th at 10.00am. If you know of people from other denominations who would be interested, please let them know. If you would like to assist with organizing this or want more information, please contact Sherine Copeland.

Bible Study will take place on Tuesday evenings from 06.30pm at Kilmore and Thursdays in Broadford at 10.45am after the Morning Eucharist. Please take a Daily devotion as it will follow the theme of the Nicene Creed, our Lenten Focus.

Emergency Relief: For next week PLEASE donate cereal, milk, vegemite, peanut butter, Laundry detergents, dishwashing liquid and toilet paper.

Direct 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 March 2020, 10.00am

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 **19th February** 7.30pm at Kilmore

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Monday 24th February 10.00am – 12.00pm Op Shop Church House
 Tuesday 25th February 6.30pm – Shrove Tuesday Pancakes, Kilmore
 Wednesday 26th February 10.00am – Ash Wednesday Service at Broadford
 07.00pm – Ash Wednesday Service at Kilmore
 Thursday 27th February 10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew's Broadford
 04.00pm – Eucharist at Dianella RACF
 Friday 28th February 10.30am – Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF
 10.00am – 4.00pm Op Shop Church House
 Saturday 29th February 10.00am – 12.00pm Op Shop Church House

Next Sunday 1 March – First Sunday in Lent Genesis 2.15 – 17; 3.1 – 7; Ps 32; Romans 5.12 – 21; Matthew 4.1 - 11		
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	04.00pm	Holy Eucharist

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 130; 131; 133	Ps 132; 134
24 th February	Jeremiah 22.1 – 19	Genesis 35.1 – 15
	Luke 10.1 – 12	Jude 1 – 16
Tuesday	Ps 135	Ps 136
25 th February	Jeremiah 22.20 – 23.8	Genesis 35.16-29;36.6 – 8
	Luke 10.13 – 24	Jude 17 – 25
Ash Wednesday	Ps 36.1 – 4, 18 – 21	Ps 38.9 – 21
26 th February	Daniel 9.3 – 6, 15 – 19	Isaiah 58.1 – 12
	Matthew 6.7 – 15	1 Timothy 6.6 – 19
Thursday	Ps 137.1 – 6; 138	Ps 139
27 th February	Jeremiah 23.9 – 22	Genesis 37.1 – 24

	Luke 10.25 – 37	Hebrews 1.1 – 12
Friday	Ps 143; 146	Ps 119.153 – 176
28 th February	Jeremiah 23.23 – 40	Genesis 37.25 – 38.11
	Luke 10.38 – 11.4	Hebrews 1.13 – 2.9
Saturday	Ps 145	Ps 147
29 th February	Jeremiah 24	Genesis 38.12 – 30
	Luke 11.5 – 13	Hebrews 2.10 – 18

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.

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Alison McKenzie, 13 Station Street, Pyalong, Mobile 0433 780 230

Future Dates:

Shrove Tuesday 25th February 06.30pm at Christ Church preparing for Ash Wednesday with pancakes. Please join us as we prepare the church for Lent. Bring Pancakes with your “favourite” filling and join in the FUN.

Ash Wednesday 26th February: 10.00am Service at St Matthew’s Broadford
: 07.00pm Service at Christ Church, Kilmore

Please return your Palm Cross for the preparation of the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Saturday 28 March South Deanery Conference on Parish Governance for all wardens and councilors and those interested. (Details to follow)

Sunday 29th March our Combine Service at The Church of the Transfiguration at Pyalong. (Details to follow)

Reflection...

My Lord God,

I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

nor do I really know myself,

and the fact that I think I am following your will

does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you

does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road,

though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore will I trust you always though

I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me,

and you will never leave me to face my perils alone. Amen. Prayer by Thomas Merton

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent and occurs forty-six days before Easter. It falls on a different date each year and it is dependent on the date of Easter. Ash Wednesday can occur as early as February 4 or as late March 10. Ash Wednesday is named after the practice of placing ashes on the foreheads of the faithful as a sign of repentance. The ashes used are gathered of the Palm Crosses from Palm Sunday celebrations in the previous year are burned. "Ashes were used in ancient times to express mourning, remorse and penitence. Penitents expressed sorrow for their faults and sins by pouring ashes on their heads. An ancient biblical example is that of Job." The Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and last for forty days, however, there are five Sundays in (not of) Lent which together with Palm Sunday account for forty six (46) days between Ash Wednesday and Easter Day. The colour for Lent is purple or unbleached linen. The Sundays in Lent remain Sundays, Little Easters which gives thanks for our Lord's Resurrection from the dead and which are set apart from the Lenten Fast. The Sunday Eucharistic readings point emphatically towards the gift of salvation and abundant life that is ours in the victory of Jesus Christ over sin, darkness and death. The Lenten Fast is not observed on Sundays.