



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

Sunday 8th April 2018
Second Sunday of Easter



*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.***

HYMNS: 520; 703; 535; 380

Sentence:

‘Peace be with you,’ says the Lord.’ As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’
(John 20.21)

THE COLLECT

Risen Christ, whose absence leaves us in despair but whose presence is overwhelming; breathe on us with your abundant life, that where we cannot see we may have courage to believe that we may be raised with you. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles chapter 4.32 – 37

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow each reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 133

Response – Sung: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Response – Said: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Behold how good and how lovely it is: when families live together in unity. It is fragrant as oil upon the head that runs down over the beard: fragrant as oil upon the beard of Aaron that ran down over the collar of his robe. **R....**

It is like a dew of Hermon: like the dew that falls upon the hill of Zion. For there the Lord has commanded his blessing: which is life for evermore. **R...**

Silence may follow each reading.

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of John chapter 1.1 – chapter 2.2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we

declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! **Alleluia, alleluia!** Jesus said to Thomas, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Chapter 20.19 – 31

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said,

“Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

Silence may follow each reading.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray for church and the world.

Our Prayer responses are: We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

Intercessor:

Christ, our risen Lord, no tomb can keep you, no door is closed to you, no heart is barred to you, no mind is shut off from you. Come lead us out of darkness into light, out of doubt into faith, out of death into life eternal. (Pause) We call to you
My Lord and my God

We pray for all who witness to your resurrection, for those who speak of your presence, for preachers of the word and minister of the sacraments; for John our Bishop and Philip our Archbishop and Metropolitan; for those who reveal your presence by the way they live, for all who live simply that others may simply live. We pray for all who are in doubt and for all who are seeking you. We pray for unity in the church and in the world. (Pause) We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

We come today with the oppressed peoples, with all who have lost their freedom, all who have lost hope, for all who are at war. We pray for all who have been taken hostage, all who have been imprisoned because of their beliefs; that in the darkness they may find your love. (Pause) We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

We pray for any fellowship to which we belong, or communities and clubs, for welfare organizations, for social groups, for those with whom we share our worship. We give thanks for your appearing in the Upper Room, and pray for our homes and loved ones. (Pause) We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

We remember all who are despairing, those who doubt their abilities. We pray for all who lack confidence, those afraid to trust themselves or others. We remember all who are lonely, all who are fearful. We pray for those in sickness, looking to you in hope, O risen Christ: we pray especially for Lorraine Lipson, Karen Goodger, Belinda Shannon, Jenny Curry, Seth Gunter, Tom Scrivens, Joy Rowe, Fay Muddyman, Rob Muddyman, Elaine Haddock, Francis Piva, Sharron de Battista, Iris Haywood, Tania Morgan (Norman & Ann's daughter), Barry Watts (giving thanks to God for his degree of recovery.) Chris (friend of Edie in Broadford), Fr John Young, Peter Jones, (Caroline Burge's father), Ray Daly, Chris Dumaresq and Marguerite Kisvardai. We give thanks for where healing blessings have been received. (Pause) We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

Risen Lord, in you is our hope; in life, in death and to eternity our hope is in you. We rejoice with all who have entered into the fullness of life eternal. We pray especially for loved ones departed those whose anniversary of death we remember this week: Gordon 'Jim' Kirk (8th); Alick Horwood, Alan Walker (9th); Jack Hoysted, Eileen Beaumont, Lucy Cartwright (12th); John Salmon, Ken Poulter, Kathleen Pelham, John Hedley, Rosa Rodgers (13th); Brightie Lang, Daphne Lawry, Catherine Campbell Jos (14th). Rest eternal grant to them O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** (pause) May we with them, have a share in your eternal kingdom. (Pause) We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

In a time of silence let us pray for ourselves and those on our hearts and minds this day... (pause) We call to you. **My Lord and my God**

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**

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The BBQ is usually the second Sunday of the month. If you would like to help or want more information, please contact Caroline.

Parish Harvest Festival, Sunday 8 April; Low Sunday. **Harvest festival to be celebrated at each centre.** As this date is the second Sunday of the month, then the **Parish Barbecue** will be held at the Gavan Hall, Broadford, 12.30pm. Meat will be provided, please bring salads and sweets to share. The harvest festival offerings from each centre will be auctioned after lunch for ABM funds.

Young People's Church: Next Service on the **22nd April at 5.00pm.** Christ Church Kilmore, followed by Dinner. Please join us, bring the kids, young people and the young at heart. Bring and share.

Quiet Morning: Please join us for our monthly Quiet Morning at Christ Church, Kilmore on Wednesday 11th April at 11.00am. Come and learn to still the mind and rest in God.

Baptism: Ruby Russel will be baptised on Sunday 15 April at Christ Church.

Parish Directory: We will be updating our Parish Directory in the coming weeks. If there are any changes of your address, phone or email address please let Caroline know. If you are missing from the current edition and wish to be included in the 2018 directory, please also contact Caroline. Fr André needs your names to pray for all our families on a daily basis. Thank you.

Diocesan Clergy and Lay Training in Liturgy 28th April, 10.00am – 03.00pm at Benalla, \$20.00 per participant it includes notes and Lunch.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle fund-raiser 26 May.

Next Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm Wednesday 18th April 2018, Broadford

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.

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. 18th April 2018
Wednesdays 10 am: Knitting Group at Christ Church.

PARISH LIFE THIS WEEK

Wednesday 11th April 11.00am – Quiet Morning at Christ's Church

Thursday 12th April 10.00am – Eucharist at St Matthew, Broadford
 11.30am – Eucharist at Caladenia RACF
 04.00pm – Eucharist at Dianella RACF

Friday 13th April 10.00am – Eucharist at Blue Cross RACF
 10.00am – 4.00pm Op Shop Church House

Saturday 14th April 10.00am – 12.00pm Op Shop Church House

Next Sunday 15th April – Third Sunday of Easter Readings: Acts 3.12 – 20; Ps 4; 1 John 2.15 –17; 3.1 – 6 ; Luke 24.36b – 48		
Christ Church, Kilmore	09.00am	Sung Eucharist with Baptism
St Matthew's, Broadford	11.00am	Eucharist
St Stephen's, Tallarook	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Transfiguration, Pyalong	04.00pm	Eucharist

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Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 89.39 – 53	Ps 91
9 th April	Leviticus 6.1 – 18	Exodus 12.21 – 36
	Matthew 28.1 – 10	1 Peter 3.1 – 7
Tuesday	Ps 92; 93	Ps 94
10 th April	Leviticus 9.22 – 10.20	Exodus 15.19 – 27
	Matthew 28.11 – 20	1 Peter 3. 8 – 16
Wednesday	Ps 95; 96	Ps 97; 98

11 th April	Leviticus 16.1 – 19	Exodus 16.1 – 21
	Luke 24.1 – 12	1 Peter 3.17 – 4.2
Thursday	Ps 99; 100	Ps 103
12 th April	Leviticus 16.20 – 34	Exodus 16.22 – 17.7
	Luke 24.13 – 27	1 Peter 4.3 – 11
Friday	Ps 101; 102.1 – 11	Ps 102.12 – 28
13 th April	Leviticus 19.1 – 18	Exodus 17.8 – 18.9
	Luke 24.28 – 35	1 Peter 4.12 – 19
Saturday	Ps 108; 109.20 – 30	Ps 119.105 – 128
14 th April	Leviticus 19.23 – 37	Exodus 18.10 – 27
	Luke 24.36 – 53	1 Peter 5

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.

I carry a Cross in my pocket

I carry a cross in my pocket'
A simple reminder to me
That I am a Christian,
No matter where I will be.

This little cross isn't magic,
Nor is it a good luck charm.
It isn't meant to protect me
From every physical harm.

It's not for identification
For all the world to see.
It's simply an understanding
Between my Saviour and me.

When I put my hand in my pocket
To bring out a coin or a key,
The cross is there to remind me
Of the price He paid for me.

It reminds me too, to be thankful
For my blessings every day,
And to strive to serve Him better
In all that I do or say.

Its also a daily reminder
Of the peace and comfort I share
With all who know my Master
And give themselves to His care.

So, I carry a cross in my pocket
Reminding none but me
That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life,
If only I'll let Him be.