



The Diocese of Wangaratta
The Anglican Parish of Kilmore
with Broadford, Pyalong & Tallarook
8th June 2014
Last Sunday of Easter

Hymns: 181, 412, 414, Pewsheet

The Feast of Pentecost



Introit Hymn

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed.

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace

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SENTENCE

‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,’ says the Lord; ‘and let the one who believes in me drink. For out of your heart shall flow rivers of living water.’ *John 7.38*

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: empower us with that same Spirit to witness to your redeeming love and draw all people to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 2. 1-21

A reading from the book of Acts

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: ‘Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!’ Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, ‘What does this mean?’ Some, however, made fun of them and said, ‘They have had too much wine.’ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ‘Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: “In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 104. 26-36

Response: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Response **Geoff Nobes**
v. 1a Bless the Lord, O my soul.



O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
There is the sea, spread far and wide,
and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great./R

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan
which you have made to play in the deep.
All of these look to you to give them their food in due season.
When you give it them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled with good./R

When you hide your face they are troubled;
when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the earth./R

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works;
He looks on the earth and it trembles;
he touches the mountains and they smoke./R

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will make music to my God while I have my being.
So shall my song please him while I rejoice in the Lord./R

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12.1-13

A reading from the first letter of Paul

Paul writes, “Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to dumb idols. Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, ‘Jesus be cursed,’ and no one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines. Just as a

body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptised by one Spirit so as to form one body – whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free – and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

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Gradual Hymn

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts | of your faithful;
And kindle in us the fire | of your love.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20. 19-23

A reading from the holy gospel according to John

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.’

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL *(adapted from Revd. Gord Waldie)*

God of wind and flame, blow into our lives; ignite the fire of hope, fan the flames of possibility. Transform us into a people who can share your love with a world in pain, a people who proclaim your hope into a world given to despair, a people who live as though the world can be changed into the kingdom that is to come.

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

God of fire and water, who calls us to be a baptising community, you speak to us in many languages over the course of our lives; speak to us in the language that we need to hear today, hear us in the language we speak; and open our ears and hearts to the cries of others.

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

God of many languages; you sing the language of joy with us, you join us in the dance of life. Hear us and all your people who sing and dance and offer praise in your Church in every land; may your spirit of joy well up and sustain those in spiritual leadership; we pray for our Bishop John, and for our parish as we celebrate new life rich with future possibilities.

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

God of life, you also speak the languages of pain, of sorrow, of fear, of despair. Hear all your children who speak, who wail, who whisper in these languages this day: those who find themselves in hospital beds, or waiting anxiously beside such beds; those who gather to say farewell to one traveling, or moving away, and those who gather at the graveside to say that longer farewell, especially the Lovell family; for those worrying about the next meal, or finding the next rent; those who live in places where peace is just a word, a faint hope, a distant dream and for those fleeing conflict and disaster; for those who wait for mercy; those seeking asylum and those in detention; and for those who in need cry out for respite and deliverance; for those known to us and those we know in need of prayer...

Request for prayer from: *Chris Schafer, Glen Turnbull, Karen Goodger, Lyn Ryan, Alex Impols, May McCormack, Dawn McCormack, Carol Boase, Cathy Moseley, Seth Gunther, David Parsons, Cliff & Gwen Stomann, Tom & Sandra Davidson & Bianca Davidson, Tom Scrivens, Dianne Mitsakis, Bruce Mitchell, Evette, Mark Bennetts, Suresh Jain, Barry Watts, Roland Nicholson, Monica Nicholson, Bishop John McIntyre...* may all those whose language is rent by pain hear you lamenting with them.

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

God of Pentecost, we pray as people of the Spirit, confident in your welcome embrace to all who love you; we commend to you the recently departed, Judy Lovell, and those whose years mind occurs at this time.

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

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

God who speaks with many tongues, the God who makes holiness known in many ways; fill us with your Spirit this and every day, and make us holy, and hear us as we pray for ourselves; may Christ be the one who lights our fires, who

showers us with gifts of peace, who fills our lungs with air, and blows us out into the world to live and serve.

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

Perplexing, Pentecostal God, you infuse us with your Spirit, urging us to vision and dream. May the gift of your presence find voice in our lives, lighting an unquenchable fire of compassion and justice so that we combine our diverse gifts with a singular passion to continue Christ's mission in this world.

Breathe fresh life into your people: **give us power to reveal Christ in word and action and grant us faith to work to fulfil all that we have prayed for; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Year's mind: Today we remember before God those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: 8th Wilfred Horwood, Phillip Downie; 9th Jack Pontin; 10th Alan Winnell, Greg Potts, Winifred Barber, Alan Busch; 11th Darren White, Joe Johnstone, Violet Ball; 13th Ivy Chapman, Edward Piva; 14th Lorrelei Stewart, John Vinden.

Offertory Hymn

Prayer over the Gifts

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Hymn: Fear not rejoice and be glad

Refrain

Fear not, rejoice and be glad.

The Lord hath done a great thing;

Hath poured out His Spirit on all his people,

On those who confess His name.

1. The fig tree is budding, the vine
beareth fruit,
the wheat fields are golden with grain.
Thrust in the sickle, the harvest is ripe,
the Lord has given us rain. *Refrain*

2. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
the mountains will drip with sweet wine.
My children shall drink of the fountain
of life.

my children will know they are mine. *Refrain*

3. My people shall know that I am the
Lord,

their shame I have taken away.

My Spirit will lead them together again,
my Spirit will show them the way. *Refrain*

4. My children shall dwell in a body of
love,
a light to the world they will be.

Life shall come forth from the Father
above,

my body will set us all free. *Refrain*

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Reflections on the Readings

Pentecost has, all too often, been seen simply as a personal experience that has overtones of spiritual elitism. The marks of Pentecost have all too often been seen as personal, supernatural experiences and the benefits of Pentecost have been understood as personal edification, personal euphoria and personal strengthening. For many Pentecostal denominations this day is seen as the most important day of the Church's year. Unfortunately, the Pentecost experience has been used as the basis for separation and division of one group from another, and as the justification for withdrawal from the world into a kind of spiritual wagon-circling. But, in every community, every neighbourhood and every church God's Spirit seeks to enable people to "speak one another's languages", to welcome and serve one another, and to work together to serve and empower those who most need help and compassion. This is the opposite of what we have often understood as being "filled with the Spirit". When God's Spirit fills us we find ourselves being "sent" to serve others. We find ourselves seeking to bring peace and reconciliation between people. We find ourselves seeking to understand those who are different from us, and we find ourselves reaching out in compassion and service to those who are marginalised, excluded, poor, diseased and rejected. Rather than "lifting us up" above others into a group that is somehow favoured by God, Pentecost "pulls us down" to connect with those that we would never naturally have the strength or inclination to relate to. Rather than leading us out of the world, Pentecost drives us back into it to proclaim and live the prophetic message of God's reign, as Christ did.

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Notices

Parish BBQ TODAY 12.30pm next Sunday - hosts: Jennifer and Craig Swift, 34 Sports Ave, Kilmore. BYO meat, salad, desert to share.

Emergency Appeal for South Sudan finishes today - please give generously to support the people of South Sudan and the Episcopal Church in that region.

Donations for Hymn Books for Pyalong - 12 TiS are required for Church of the Transfiguration - your donation appreciated.

Rosters at Christ Church - current rosters finish end of June. There are a variety of tasks for all capabilities! Morning Tea, Readers, Welcomers, Dusting, Vacuuming, Flowers, Servers for the Eucharist. If you can help with these tasks and are not currently rostered please contact Catherine 5787 1818. For the Serving Team, please talk to Fr Kim or Caroline (children, men or women - all welcome!). Catherine Farrell will cease as 'Roster Co-Ordinator' after the July rosters, and we need a new coordinator, please speak to Catherine if you can take this on. Rosters are compiled four times a year and photocopied by our machine.

Giving Envelopes

Giving Envelopes are now available to start July, please take a box today and consider taking a set of weekly giving envelopes to make your offering a weekly amount. If it is possible for you to make your weekly offering by EFT or direct debit see below:

Direct Debit Offerings - Parish Account details: CBA Account Name 'Kilmore Anglican Parish'. BSB 063-698. Account Number 1018 4649. If you have any questions, please contact Fr Kim or one of the Wardens.

Parish life this week

Second week of June

Tuesday 9th [*Columba of Iona, abbot & missionary (d. 597)*]

Wednesday 10th [**BARNABAS, APOSTLE AND MARTYR**]

10.00am Eucharist Christ Church, Seymour

7.30pm Property Committee Gavan Hall

Thursday 11th [*Boniface of Mainz, bishop and martyr (d. 754)*]

10.00am Eucharist St Matthews

10.00am Eucharist Willowmeade

4.00pm Eucharist Dianella

Friday 12th [*Antony of Padua, missionary & preacher (d.1231)*]

10.00am - 4.00pm Op Shop Church House

Saturday 13th 10.00am - 12.30pm Op Shop Church House

5.30pm Vigil Mass Nagambie

Next Sunday: 15th June 2014 – Trinity Sunday / Pentecost I

Ex. 34.1-8; Song of 3YM 29-34; 2 Corinthians 13.11-13; Matthew 28.19-20

Christ Church	9am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthews	11am	Holy Eucharist
St Stephens	11am	Morning Prayer
Transfiguration	4pm	Holy Eucharist

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