



The Diocese of Wangaratta
The Anglican Parish of Kilmore
with Broadford, Pyalong & Tallarook
5th April 2015 - EASTER DAY



Hymns – 361, 242, 388, 380

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Christ is Risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The bells are rung, All stand to sing the introit hymn.



Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

He gives us new life and hope through his resurrection! Alleluia!

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are the body of the risen Christ.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace

God has claimed us as his own.

God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

Bless this Paschal Candle ✠ in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that it may be for us the light of life and love.

Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, alpha and omega, all time belongs to him and in him be glory and power through every age and for ever and ever. **Amen.**

[The Paschal Candle is lit if not already lit]

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

The risen Christ meets us at the tomb, and turns our tears to joy.
For your love and goodness; **we give you thanks, O God.**

Christ comes through our locked doors, and turns our fear to courage.
For your love and goodness; **we give you thanks, O God.**

Christ breaks the bread, and turns our despair to hope.
For your love and goodness; **we give you thanks, O God.**

Praise be to God, who gives us the victory. Amen.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Ring the bells!

THE GLORIA [sung]

The bells are rung throughout the singing of the Gloria

THE COLLECT

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25.6-9

[God will create a feast for all people, will swallow up death, and will wipe away all tears. All people will celebrate that God has saved them.]

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine – the best of meats and the finest of wines. On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The Lord has spoken. In that day they will say, 'Surely this is our God; we trusted

that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.’

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ, our paschal lamb, | has been sacrificed.

Therefore, let us | keep the feast.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 16.1-8

[The two Mary’s and Salome go to the tomb to anoint Jesus’ body, but they find the stone rolled away and a young man in a white robe tells them that Jesus is risen, and instructs them to go and tell the disciples. The women leave the tomb afraid.]

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus’ body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, ‘Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?’ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. ‘Don’t be alarmed,’ he said. ‘You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, “He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.”’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Oh Lord of wonder, you now stand among us in your resurrected glory;
may we know again the power of your life; may we turn away from death;
and become agents of resurrection, where ever we find ourselves;

Jesus Christ you are risen and we see you.

In the life of our church, in our worship and praise, in our adoration and prayer;
Jesus Christ you are risen and we see you.

In the faces of the poor, in the hurting of the sick,
in the anguish of the oppressed;

Jesus Christ you are risen and we see you.

In the weakness of the vulnerable,
In the questions of the doubting,
In the fears of the dying;

Jesus Christ you are risen and we see you.

In the celebration of the saints,
In the generosity of the faithful,
In the compassion of the caring;

Jesus Christ you are risen and we see you.

O Risen Lord, You transform our world with love and hope,
You ignite our hearts of stone with compassion and care,
You transfigure our world with the spirit of life;

Jesus Christ you are risen we see you.

May the hurting and the despised, the lost and the lonely,
the searching and the found see you, and we all be filled with your glory.

Jesus Christ you are risen and we see you.

Lord Jesus you dance in the face of evil and death and have leapt up high from
the tomb to be our constant companion and friend, you know us and our deep-
est needs and desires; hear us as we pray for our friends and neighbours and
those who have requested prayer

Request for prayer from: *Chris Schafer, Glen Turnbull, Karen Goodger, Alex Impols,
Cathy Moseley, & Melissa & family, Seth Gunther, Cliff & Gwen Stomann, Tom & San-
dra Davidson & Bianca Davidson, Tom Scrivens, Jenny Curry, Dianne Mitsakis, Mark Ben-
netts, Barry Watts, Joan Hiscock.*

and hear us as we pray for ourselves may we know the victory of your res-
urrection in our lives and empower us with your Spirit to be your voice and hands
in the world. Lead us in the dance of life and be our God for ever.

Hallelujah, Jesus Christ you are risen we see you, and we dance with you.

Amen.

Offertory hymn:

Prayer after Communion

Most glorious Lord of life, we thank you that you nourish us in these Easter mysteries. Fill us with the Spirit of love and unite us in faith, that we may witness to the resurrection and show your glory to all the world.

Reflections on the Readings

One of the great fallacies of human history is the persistent belief that some groups or individuals can find life and liberation alone, or at the expense of others. However, the last century has demonstrated how mistaken this way of living is. We have seen how closely connected we are, and we have experienced how the emphasis on our separation from one another and from our world has brought great suffering and conflict on us and others. The challenge of the resurrection is for us to realise that God has brought life to us all, and that life cannot be extinguished by our foolishness or even by death. Further, the life that God offers is neither for only some people, nor is it only for some other reality after we die. Rather, God's life can and should be known and enjoyed now, but can only really be experienced together. While it can be tempting to think about the resurrection only in metaphysical terms, a whole new world of possibilities opens up when we see how resurrection permeates everything. When we start to live as resurrection people, we recognise that we participate in resurrection in every moment that we bring life to others, whether through caring for our environment, working to alleviate poverty, serving those in need, learning to understand other cultures and people, or living more simply and peacefully in order to foster justice and equality in our world. Resurrection, then, is a reality that we are called to live – as Paul demonstrates in his life and teaching. We do not just receive resurrection life, but we become carriers of that life to the world – if only we can believe in and embrace its power. Alleluia!

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Notices:

A big 'thank you' to everyone who has assisted in the preparations for Holy Week and our Easter celebrations.

Property Committee Meeting - next meeting will be 6th May 7.30pm at St Matthews.

Monthly Parish BBQ - Next BBQ will be Sunday 12 April 12.30pm at home of Robyn & Len Whitehouse, 4 Kurkurac Court, High Camp. All very welcome. BYO meat, and salads, sweets and drinks to share.

Memorial Service at Caladenia Aged Care to be held on Thursday 23rd April at 2.30pm.

Confirmation 2015 - There will be a parish confirmation service in September anyone desiring to be confirmed please see Fr Kim.

Christ Church Op Shop - Situations Vacant – An energetic person is required for the position of **Op Shop Manager** - responsibility for Op Shop operations, training provided. **Volunteers** required to assist in the Op Shop; variety of positions and times available, training provided. Please contact Fr Kim or Dianne Dixon 5782 1446 for more information.

Direct Debit Offerings - Parish Account details: CBA Account Name 'Kilmore Anglican Parish'. BSB 063-698. Account Number 1018 4649.

Parish life this week

Second week of April

Monday - Wednesday Rector on leave

Thursday 9th 10.00am Eucharist St Matthews
 10.30am Eucharist Willowmeade
 4.00pm Eucharist Dianella

Friday 10th 10am - 4.00pm Op Shop Church House

Saturday 11th 10.00am – 12noon Op Shop Church House

Next Sunday: 12th April 2014

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4.32-37; Ps 133; 1 John 1.1-2.2; John 20. 19-21

Christ Church	9am	Sung Eucharist
St Matthews	11am	Morning Prayer
St Stephens	11am	Holy Eucharist
Transfiguration	4pm	No Service this day

Parish Clergy:

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Christ is risen!

ALLELUIA

Happy
Easter

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