



The Anglican Church of Australia  
Diocese of Wangaratta  
**The Parish of Kilmore**  
with Broadford, Pyalong & Tallarook  
6th November 2016



## FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

**Hymns: 242, 149, Pew sheet, 455**

A warm welcome to Bishop John and all our visitors  
please join us for hospitality after the service.



### *Introit Hymn*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.**

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*

### **SENTENCE**

Blessed are you when people hate and revile and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven. *Luke 6.22-23.*

## THE COLLECT

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## FIRST READING

**Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18**

*A reading from the book of Daniel*

In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel had a dream, and visions passed through his mind as he was lying in bed. He wrote down the substance of his dream. Daniel said: 'In my vision at night I looked, and there before me were the four winds of heaven churning up the great sea. Four great beasts, each different from the others, came up out of the sea. 'I, Daniel, was troubled in spirit, and the visions that passed through my mind disturbed me. I approached one of those standing there and asked him the meaning of all this. 'So he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things: "The four great beasts are four kings that will rise from the earth. But the holy people of the Most High will receive the kingdom and will possess it for ever – yes, for ever and ever."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Psalm 149**

**Response: Sing, O sing to the Lord a new song: sing to his praise.**

John McCann

### Response

*cf. v. 1* Sing, O sing to the Lord a new song: sing his praise.



O sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.  
Let Israel rejoice in their maker;  
let the children of Zion be joyful in their king./R

Let them praise his name in the dance;  
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and lyre.  
For the Lord has pleasure in his people  
and adorns the poor with salvation./R

Let the faithful be joyful in glory;  
let them rejoice in their ranks,  
With the praises of God in their mouths  
and a two-edged sword in their hands;/R

To execute vengeance on the nations  
and punishment on the peoples;  
To bind their kings in chains and their nobles with fetters of iron;  
To execute on them the judgement decreed:  
such honour have all his faithful servants./R

## SECOND READING

**Ephesians 1. 11-23**

*A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians*

Paul writes, 'In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession – to the praise of his glory. For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,  
a holy nation, | God's own people,  
called out of darkness into his mar | vellous light.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

**Luke 6. 20-31**

*A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke*

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

Looking at his disciples, Jesus said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil,

because of the Son of Man. 'Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort. Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets. 'But to you who are listening I say: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who ill-treat you. If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

**For the Gospel of the Lord.**

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

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## **All Saints Day Litany**

O Holy One, you have gathered in your keeping and celebration the saints who through the ages have shown your love and mercy. Not one is lost and everyone of them lights up the halls of heaven with their beauty and faithfulness. Thank you for the brightness of their witness to you and their inspiration and love to us.

We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe: **Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember the prophets and priests, the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God; for our Bishop and our priests:  
**Teachers of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime: **Family of our faith, we remember you.**

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands, wives and parents all those whose lives ended too soon:  
**Those close to our heart, we remember you.**

We lift up to you, O God, the names of those who have died, knowing that they find a place in your heart forever.

*(Reading of the names of those we remember.)*

*[In the reading of these names, we will pause after each name to remember, and pray thanks for their life.]*

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God, we lift up the many more names in our hearts, and those known only to you. Family of the eternal God, we remember you, and we honour you. We know you are with us in the spirit of worship, and you will not be forgotten.

**We give thanks, O God, for those whose memory we celebrate this day. We reaffirm our trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ; we know that in our sorrow and in our celebration, O God, you are with us through it all, and we are not left alone. We know this through your son Jesus Christ through whom we pray. Amen.**

Lord God, faithful and true, we recognise the great needs of the world. In faith we pray for peace and joy for all; for those suffering deprivation from violence and war; for the people of the United States as they elect their new leader; for the lost and the lonely, the sick and suffering; for those who have requested prayer; *Chris Schafer, Karen Goodger, Jean Evans, Belinda Shannon, Jenny Curry, Barbara Kaye, Seth Gunter, Tom Scrivens, Mark Bennetts, Eunice Downie, Susan, Carey Bickoff, Lorraine Lipson.*

May our prayer bring comfort and hope.

God of all saints and sinners; **hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit of God, you meet us in this moment as you met the apostles and saints of old; hear us as we pray for ourselves .....; give us such a vision of your purpose, such an assurance of your love and power, that in your grace we may live as saints in the world for the sake of our Lord Jesus. **Amen.**

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### Reflections on All Saints

The Christian feasts of All Saints and All Souls on November 1st and 2nd honour the profound legacy of wisdom our ancestors have left to us and continue to offer. The ancient Celtic people believed this time was a thin space, where heaven and earth whispered to one another across a luminous veil and those who walked before us are especially accessible. These moments offer us invitations and gifts for our spiritual journeys. We live in a world where certainties about God are the impulse behind violent acts and the violation of people's dignity and despoliation of goodness. The honouring of the Communion of Saints, in reading people's names means recognising that the lives lived before ours do matter. It means remembering that there is ancient wisdom wrought from generations of engagement and struggle with life. It means that even horror and degradation of people does not overwhelm the bursting forth of God's love realised in those who find themselves being saintly. We carry the stories of our ancestors in our genetic code; they beat in our blood. Their faithfulness formed the traditions in which we are nurtured. There is a sacred thread that ties us to everyone in our ancestral past of all cultures. Also we carry within us the wounds and unfulfilled longings, the hopes and dreams of everyone who came before us. This then is a season to remember the grace of humility and unknowing. It is a time of recognising there is a luminous wisdom so much more expansive than our own. But we are not passive recipients to be bullied by the tradition. Our understanding of where we have come from as a people, a community, as individuals does not relieve us from the work that is necessary to make the future. Clinging to the past in the hope that we can get off easy will not be sufficient. Forging our own experience of saintliness in being blessed and embraced by God is the necessary work that is a joy and a wonder. This is the work of providing a sure foundation for those who will follow, who in turn will find ways of experiencing the mystery that lies in deepest places of the human soul.



## Hymn: Contemplating [Tune 132]

1. Contemplating beauty in and all around us -  
If, beholding all there is, we look where God might be,  
We shall see such magic shining there before us,  
God's incarnation through eternity.
2. Contemplating pleasure - Each exciting venture  
Can give life a thrilling edge, some fascinating glee;  
In delight, amusement, we should feel no censure;  
We, in enjoyment, taste God's ecstasy.
3. Contemplating goodness - that which nurtures mercy -  
In forgiveness, we receive and we can also give  
Life and hope to pris'ners, those who feel quite empty;  
With love, acceptance, they have strength to live.
4. Contemplating kindness – that on which we blossom -  
Building mutuality creates its own reward;  
Gen'rous deeds and blessings make us feel most welcome;  
God is uncovered, and is thus adored.
5. In our contemplation, hushed into a stillness,  
Peace is known and love is grown with such serenity;  
Contemplating beauty, pleasure, goodness, kindness,  
We are engulfed in God's tranquillity.



# Notices

**This afternoon Music Recital and blessing of the plaque for Chris Schafer 2.30pm Christ Church** afternoon tea to follow. Please bring a plate to share.

**Parish AGM NEXT SUNDAY 13 November 11.45am @ Gavan Hall** followed by luncheon. Election of Parish Council, Parish Nominators and Synod Representatives. A short **Eucharist will be celebrated 9.00 am at Christ Church**. Sung Eucharist at **10.30am St Matthews, Broadford** with a short morning tea following and then the meeting. No services at Tallarook or Pyalong.

**Fete Meeting** tomorrow 9.30am @ Gavan Hall.



**Remembrance Day Service** 10.30am Friday 11th November, Dianella Nursing Home

**Saturday 12th November 2pm Gian Bian Women's Group** meets @ Gavan Hall

**Saturday 19th November Quiet Day @ Gavan Hall** 10am-2pm. If you have not experienced a Quiet Day Fr Kim will lead the day.

**ABM Melbourne Cup Fundraising Luncheon:** A big thank you to all who supported the day last Tuesday. With a donation from the Men's Breakfast, over \$250 was raised. A great effort and a great afternoon. If you would like to include a donation to ABM, please see one of the clergy or wardens.

**Singers & musicians** for Christmas needed - please contact Caroline or Fr Kim. Rehearsals to start soon.

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

November	13	Parish AGM
	12	Gian Bian Women' Group meets
	19	Quiet Day @ Gavan Hall
December	10	Christmas Parish Fete St Matthews
	11	Festival of Carols Christ Church
	18	Community Carols St Stephens

# Parish Diary

**2nd Sunday of the month:** Parish BBQ - 12.30pm. See Notices for details

**4th Sunday:** 5pm Meditation Service Christ Church

**3rd Tuesday:** St Matthew's Friendship Group; Gavan Hall 1.30pm fellowship & afternoon tea; contact Edie Simpson ph.5784 1246.

**1st Wednesday:** Property Committee Meeting 7.30pm see notices for venue

**3rd Wednesday:** Parish Council Meeting, 7.30 pm see notices for venue.

## Parish life this week

Second week of November

Monday 7th	9.30am	Fete meeting at Gavan Hall
Thursday 10th	10.00am	Eucharist St Matthews
	10.00am	Eucharist Willowmeade
	11.30am	Euchaist Caladenia
	4.00pm	Eucharist Dianella
Friday 11th	10.00am – 4.00pm	Op Shop Church House
	10.30am	Remembrance Day Service Dianella
Saturday 12th	10.00am – 12noon	Op Shop Church House
	2.00pm	Gian Bian Womens Group meets in Gavan Hall

### Next Sunday: 13th November 2016

### Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost [33]

Isaiah 65. 17-25; A Song of Isaiah; 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13; Luke 21. 5-19

Christ Church	9am	Holy Eucharist
St Matthews	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
St Stephens	11am	No service this day - combined service
Transfiguration	4pm	No service this day - combined service

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