

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF KILCOY/ WOODFORD



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Pentecost 4 *June 16th 2024*

Welcome

St. Mary's, Kilcoy
Sundays, 8.00 am
Wednesdays, 9.30 am

St. Matthias', Woodford
Sundays, 10.00 am
2nd Tuesdays, 9.30 am

Bellthorpe Service
30th June, 5.30pm

*If anyone is in Christ,
there is a New
Creation:
everything old has
passed away;
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Holy Communion is available to all baptised & communicant members of Christian churches. All are invited to come forward to receive either a blessing or Holy Communion. Please join us at the end of the service for refreshments.

TODAY'S LITURGY

Sentence:

In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. 2 Corinthians 5.19

Collect:

Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Today's Hymns

God has spoken to his people, hallelujah! – God forgave my sin in Jesus' name
Now the green blade rises – Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord

First Reading: 1 Samuel 15:34 – 16:30: *A reading from 1 Samuel, Chapter 15, beginning at the 34th verse:* Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, ‘How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.’ Samuel said, ‘How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.’ And the Lord said, ‘Take a heifer with you, and say, “I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.” Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.’ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.’ But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.’ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The Lord has not chosen any of these.’ Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

Psalm 20 (APBA p 240)

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6 – 10, 14 - 17 *A reading from 2 Corinthians, Chapter 5, beginning at the 6th verse:* So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord — for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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Gospel: Mark 4:26 – 34 *The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark, Chapter 4, commencing at the 26th verse:* He also said, ‘The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.’ He also said, ‘With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable

will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

For the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS

For those who are sick/ in need: Len and Jules, Norma and Cameron, Patricia, Wendy, Cindy, Val, Bonnie, Sandra, Della, Ted, Tanisha, Bevan, Tim, John G, Bob and Clyde.

For our parish: Loving God, bless and enable each person in this parish; inspire us in our vision and guide us in our planning and working together. May our lives so reflect the light of your kingdom that others may see and be drawn to your presence. May they come to know the grace and peace of your everlasting love for all your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray for: Our wonderful School Chaplains: Mt Kilcoy Peter Robertson; **Kilcoy High:** Vacant; **Woodford:** Amy Head; **Delaneys Creek:** Tracy Sbresni.

Pray for: All experiencing: domestic & family violence; child abuse; homelessness; rental & mortgage stress. Peace & justice for Ukraine; Peace in Israel & Gaza. Food & medical aid for Gaza; For all who have lost loved ones to war. Afghanistan; Syria; Sudan, Refugees. Climate change.

Praise God for: The love, grace and mercy of God that unites us as the family of God in this place

WEEKLY & COMING EVENTS

Mondays: Bible Study at St Mary's 2pm: On a break for 3 weeks

Wednesdays 9.30am: Weekly Service at St Mary's. Everyone welcome

Saturday 29th June 8am to 12 noon: Garden Working Bee at St Mary's, Kilcoy. The gardens need a make-over and tree seedlings removed. Please bring gardening gloves, closed-in shoes and garden implements. Trailers to remove garden waste will be useful.

Sunday 30th June 5.30pm: Service at Bellthorpe Hall followed by Bring-and-Share Fellowship meal. Everyone is welcome. Bring a warm coat.

Monday 1st July 10.30am: Hymnfest at Aloaka Lodge

Wednesday 3rd July 9.30am: Service at St Mary's followed by the Guild meeting

Thursday 4th July 10.30am: Hymnfest at Woodford Manor

Saturday 6th July St Mary's fabulous Cent Auction. Doors open at 11.30am and Draws start at 1.15pm. Entry \$7 includes afternoon tea. Light lunch available to purchase. Bring your family and friends for a great afternoon. Check out the fantastic raffle. See Jenny Edwards for auction tickets

CHURCH NOTICES

June Mission Project: is for the Bush Ministry Fund – The diocesan Bush Ministry Fund financially supports ministry in country parishes in our diocese – including: Esk – Drayton - Goonaneman - Allora-Clifton - Goondiwindi - Thargomindah – Cunnamulla - Charleville – Chinchilla – and others Find out more: <https://anglicanfocus.org.au/category/bush-ministry-fund/>

Please pray for Synod: Our Parish Representatives: Don Walker, Margie Worrall and Rev Jilleen will be attending **Synod – Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd June.** Pray for: harmony, the grace to listen to each other, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the decisions that are made.

The Parish services next Sunday will be led by our wonderful LAs and Graham Woodward.

Would you like a **Kilcoy-Woodford Parish name badge**? We are planning a bulk order. Cost \$15 each. Order forms are at the back of the church. Choose the name you would like on the badge and either pin or magnetic backing.

Thoughts to Ponder: Wait for the Lord – by Br. Luke Ditetwig SSJE. Psalm 30

Out of the depths, the Psalmist and we cry, from the deep, unseen, chaos, from the pit, feeling overwhelmed by grief, guilt, and death. “Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord. ... hear my voice.” Have mercy. “If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,” were to see and respond that is done and left undone, no one could stand. Our sin matters, and God forgives. Both truths prompt reverent fearful awe of God. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits. In God’s word is my hope. I wait with expectation like those who watch through the night wait for the morning. Yes, I wait like that. Not just for the night shift to end but with trust that light will break through the darkness. Wait in the dark trusting light will come. Wait in hope. Live in hope. Let hope shape you, be “woven in into the texture of [your] daily life.” Don’t keep hope to yourself.

The Psalmist turns from self “my soul waits” to community “O, Israel, wait.” Wait with others, and let them wait with you. Remember the great cloud of witnesses who wait, those from long before and those we love but see no longer. This Psalm is often used in the Burial of the Dead. We Brothers say it at the end of times of group recreation to remember our departed brethren, one way hope is “woven in into the texture of our daily life.”

Out of the depths of your life, those around us, and the people of Ukraine, cry out. Trust God hears in the deep, knows what is amiss, forgives and will redeem. Live in hope. Wait for the Lord.

PRAY DAILY: * **Iglesia Anglicana de Chile** * **The Diocese of Newcastle:** †Peter Stuart; Assistant Bishops - †Sonia Roulston, †Charlie Murry; Clergy and People * **The Parish of Bramble Bay:** Howard Smith * **SAILS Anglican Sailing Adventures in Life Skills Ministry** - Gold Coast, Bayside, Sunshine Coast * **The Glennie School, Toowoomba:** Principal - Mary Anne Evans; Chaplain - Vacant; School Council; staff & students.

PEW REFLECTIONS. June 16th, 2024 – Robert McLean, © Anglican Board of Mission, 2024. St Mark begins to tell us about the parables Jesus used to talk about the kingdom of God. We see that the kingdom is mysterious in that growth happens because of complex and unseen forces. Growth is organic rather than programmatic. The kingdom begins in a very small-scale way, but flourishes with the right kind of care. **What small-scale** things can I do this week to begin something that may eventually flourish for the sake of the kingdom of God? **Give thanks** for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of South-East Asia.

FUTURE READINGS and HYMNS

23rd June – Pentecost 5 – Green – Synod weekend

1 Sam 17:1a, 4-11, 32-49 Ps 9:9-20 Inspired by love and anger – Be still my soul ...

2 Cor 6:1-13, 14-17 Mk 4:35-41 Make me a channel ... – Eternal Father, strong to save

30th June – Peter and Paul, Apostles and Martyrs – Red

Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:1-10 Stand up, stand up for Jesus – Amazing Grace

2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18 Jn 21:15-23 And can it be that I should gain – Tell out, my soul ...

BLESSING: God stir up within you the gift of the Spirit that you may confess Jesus Christ as Lord and proclaim the joy of the everlasting gospel wherever you may be; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen

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