

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF KILCOY/ WOODFORD



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Pentecost 21 *October 13th 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
TBA 5.30pm



*Give the money to the
poor, and you will have
treasure in heaven*

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: There is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for Jesus' sake, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. Mark 10:29 - 30

Collect: Merciful God, in your Son you call not the righteous but sinners to repentance: draw us away from the easy road that leads to destruction, and guide us into paths that lead to life abundant, that in seeking your truth, and obeying your will, we may know the joy of being a disciple of Jesus our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Today's Hymns

And can it be that I should gain – How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
O Jesus, I have promised – Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord

First Reading: Job 23:1 – 9, 16 - 17 *A reading from Job, Chapter 23, beginning at verse 1:* Then Job answered: ‘Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. O that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted for ever by my judge. ‘If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!

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

Psalm 22:1 - 15 (APBA pp 241 - 242)

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12 – 16 *A reading from Hebrews, Chapter 4, beginning at the 12th verse:* Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

Gospel: Mark 10:17 - 31 *The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark, Chapter 10, commencing at the 17th verse:* As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, ‘Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: “You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.”’ He said to him, ‘Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.’ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, ‘You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.’ When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, ‘How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!’ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, ‘Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.’ They were greatly astounded and said to one another, ‘Then who can be saved?’ Jesus looked at them and said, ‘For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.’ Peter began to say to him, ‘Look, we have left everything and followed you.’ Jesus said, ‘Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.’

*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, John, Patricia, Wendy, Val, Cindy, Bonnie, Sandra, Della, Tanisha, Bevan, Tim, Bob, Clyde, Mandy and Annette.

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, Israel, Gaza and Lebanon. Food & medical aid for Gaza; Victims of war; Afghanistan; Syria; Sudan, Refugees. School Chaplain for Kilcoy High School

Praise God for: For the peace of Christ that fills our hearts during the difficult times of life.

WEEKLY & COMING EVENTS

Mondays: Bible Study at St Mary's 2pm: TBA

Tuesdays Bible study at St Matthias 10.00am: First and third Tuesdays of the month

Wednesdays 9.30am: Weekly Service at St Mary's

Monday 14th October 10.30am: Hymnfest at Aloaka Lodge. Note change of week.

Tuesday 22nd October 3.30pm: Woodford/Delaneys Creek Chaplaincy support meeting at the Woodford school. New committee members welcome. NB Date Change

CHURCH NOTICES

OP Shop support: We are again calling for **volunteers for the OP Shop**. Do you or anyone you know have some time (half a day or a full day – once or twice a month) to assist us. We need volunteers for all days of the week but particularly on Thursdays and Fridays. Please see Carole

October is Safe Work Month – Keep our Parish Churches, grounds and the OP Shop a safe place for everyone. Please report any safety concerns you may notice to the Wardens or to Rev Jilleen.

School Chaplains, Remember to support our wonderful Chappies. They offer important support to school students particularly in times of distress. There are Chappy donation tins at the back of the churches or use one of the Mission envelopes and write **Chappy** on it. And lots of Prayers too

BCA Box time again, please bring in your BCA boxes for counting. If you would like to have a BCA box, please let Glenys Willocks know (Ph: 0417 758 786) and she will happily give you one.

Advent Bible studies: St Mary's Catholic Church, Woodford. Fridays 29th November to 20th December 10-11 am. We need numbers to order books so please let Carole or Rev Jilleen know.

Advance notice: Christmas is coming! We will collect gifts for Anglicare foster children so look out for bargains. Ages: babies to 17 years – boys & girls. Please do not wrap & No guns or violent toys.

2025 Anglican Calendars: Order your Anglican Church Calendar for 2025 – keep track of the Anglican liturgical year and your to-do dates in the large date boxes. The cost is unchanged: \$15 plus \$1 extra for postage. An order form is at the rear of the church – to pay, please write your **Name and also Calendar** on an envelope and place in the collection.

Thoughts to Ponder: Praying the day with Jesus by Br. Geoffrey Tristram SSJE (continued)
Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56. I'd like to share just a little of my own experience of this prayer, to see if you might find it inviting. I usually pray the *Examen* in the evening, sitting in a comfortable chair, often holding a mug of tea. If I'm a little sleepy that's all to the good! I start with a prayer for the gift of light, to look back over the day and remember it clearly, and also for the gift of wisdom, to understand what I see. I then recall the day, letting my mind gently drift back over what happened, people I met, and also what were my thoughts, my moods, my feelings. I describe

them all to God. Eventually I ask two questions. The first is, 'What's given me life today? What did I feel good about today?' I then give thanks. That's really important, to give thanks before everything else. Thank you, God, for what happened today which gave me joy, for the people who made me happy, for the joy I brought to others. I then ask a second question: 'So what drained me today? What was the biggest struggle? When did I feel angry, sad, helpless? Did I do or say something which upset or hurt another? I share it all with God. I may then ask God for forgiveness, or ask God to help me understand my feelings, my needs. I then look forward to tomorrow, and ask God to be with me in every part of the day, and especially those parts which I'm not looking forward to, where I need particular strength or guidance.

During the pandemic and especially in lockdown, when time became fluid, each day merged with the next, and suddenly another week was over, I found this prayer really helpful in 'marking' each day, pausing and as it were, putting a frame around it, and saying, 'This day was a gift from God, a precious, unique day. Thank you for the gift of today.'

Praying this prayer puts me in touch with those early memories with my brothers and sister, gathered around our mother after school. It puts me in touch with those disciples gathered around Jesus after their mission. But it also puts me in touch with something even more ancient and venerable, the very opening pages of the Book of *Genesis*. There we read the magnificent account of the Six Days of Creation. What I find most moving about this account is what God does at the end of each sacred day. God pauses, looks back at the day that has passed and 'sees that it was good.' That divine pause at the end of the day, the declaration that the day was good, hallows that day and makes it holy. When we pause at the end of a day, and look back at the day past, in the presence of God, we too are doing something sacred. Before the day closes we are thanking God for the precious gift of that day. We are declaring that it was good.

PRAY DAILY: * **The Episcopal Church in the Philippines** * **Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia:** †Chris McLeod * **The Parish of Zillmere:** Helen Button, Clergy and People * **Green Hills Anglican Community Caring Ministries** * **St John's Anglican College, Forest Lake:** Principal - Maria Mclvor; Chaplain - Juliana Bate; College Council; staff & students

PEW REFLECTIONS. October 13th 2024 – *Pamela Davey and the Rev'd Sr Jan Crombie SSA (ABM Board) © ABM, 2024* At times we feel forsaken, abandoned as did Job when he was very low. Jesus says nothing is impossible with God; if we believe this, we will never feel that abandonment. **Our faith** in Jesus allows us to pray with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. **Give thanks** for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

FUTURE READINGS and HYMNS

20th October – Pentecost 22 – Green

Job 38:1-7 Ps 104:1-10, 26 Crown him with many crowns – Jesus calls us here to meet him
Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:32-45 From heaven you came, helpless ... – Let all creation dance

27th October – Pentecost 23 – Green

Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Ps 34:1-8, 19-22 Tell out, my soul, ... – Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus
Hebrews 7:21-28 Mark 10:46-52 And now, O Father ... – Lord enthroned in heavenly ...

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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