



# **MORNING PRAYER**

# Pentecost 19A

The Parish of Gisborne would like to acknowledge that we meet on Kulin Nation country. We pay our respects to Kulin Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to any First Nations people who are present today. We acknowledge that Aboriginal sovereignty has not been ceded.

The Parish of Gisborne is committed to being a Child Safe organisation.

## Morning Prayer (Second Order: APBA p19)

Gathering in God's Name Through Christ let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

Hebrews 13.15

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

1 Peter 1.3

These or similar responses are used. Open our lips, O Lord, **and we shall declare your praise.** This is the day that the Lord has made, **we will rejoice and be glad in it.** 

The minister continues in these or similar words.

Friends in Christ. we come together to meet with God, and to take our part in the building up of his Church. We will lift up our hearts in thanks and praise, hear from God's holy word, and pray for this world, and for ourselves. The Bible tells us to approach God confidently, through our Lord Jesus Christ. As we do so, we must confess our sins, seeking forgiveness through God's boundless goodness and mercy. Let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence, and pray together: God of all mercy, we humbly admit that we need your help. We have wandered from your way. We have sinned in thought, word and deed, and have failed to do what is right. You alone can save us. Have mercy on us, wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others. Bring forth in us the fruit of your Spirit that we may live the new life to your glory. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen.

The minister declares God's forgiveness.

God desires that none should perish, but that all should turn to Christ, and live. In response to his call we acknowledge our sins. God pardons those who humbly repent, and truly believe the gospel. Therefore we have peace with God, through Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

The minister may read one of these sentences of Scripture.

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2.1–2

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8.38-39

The minister says

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His steadfast love endures for ever!

The minister greets the people, who may greet one another.

Grace and peace be with you **and also with you.** 

Come, let us sing to the Lord, shout to the rock of our salvation. Serve the Lord with gladness, come before his face with songs of joy.

The Ministry of the Word

*The minister offers this prayer, or a suitable alternative, in preparation for the reading and teaching of the Scriptures.* 

Heavenly Father, give us wisdom and understanding. As we listen to your Word, may we know you better, love you more, and learn to please you in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The first Reading, as appointed.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

#### Philippians 4.1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

May your word live in us

#### and bear much fruit to your glory.

Psalm 106.1-6, 20-25

#### Alleluia.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, for his faithfulness endures for ever. Who can express the mighty acts of the Lord or show forth all his praise? Blessed are those who observe what is right and always do what is just. *Alleluia* 

Remember me, O Lord, in the favour you bear for your people; visit me in the day of your salvation; That I may see the prosperity of your chosen and rejoice in the gladness of your people, and exult with your inheritance. *Alleluia* 

We have sinned like our forebears; we have done wrong and dealt wickedly. Thus they exchanged their glory for the image of an ox that feeds on hay. They forgot God their saviour, who had done such great things in Egypt, Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham and fearful things at the Red Sea. *Alleluia* 

So he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath from consuming them. Then they scorned the Promised Land and would not believe his word, But murmured in their tents and would not heed the voice of the Lord.

Alleluia!

[The Lord be with you. And also with you.]

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.' For the Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Breaking Open the Word

Music may be played after the reflection.

The Ministry of Prayer

The minister says

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us join together in the prayer which Jesus gave us. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, vour will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen. The minister continues Be exalted, Lord, above the heavens, let your glory cover the earth. Keep our nation under your care, and guide us in justice and truth. Let your way be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Send out your light and your truth, that we may tell of your saving works. Have mercy on the poor and oppressed. Hear the cry of those in need. Hear our prayers, O Lord, for we put our trust in you. The Collect of the Day Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith

that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Intercessions

Let us pray to the Father who invites all people to receive the gift of Divine Love, saying, God of Love, **be with us now.** 

Grant that your people, called by grace, shall be worthy of their calling. Keep the Church faithful in proclaiming all the good things of your giving.

God of Love, be with us now.

Let the whole world hear your call. Come to those who turn away and gather them into the great feast of your love.

God of Love, be with us now.

Reconcile those in our community who are at variance with each other. Draw us, our families and friends into the peace that is beyond our understanding.

God of Love, be with us now.

Be with your servants who suffer for their proclaiming of the Gospel. Turn the hearts of their persecutors and bring them to the way of truth. God of Love, **be with us now.** 

We bring to mind those for whom our prayers have been asked; those who are lonely, afraid, or are unwell.

pause for quiet prayer

May the healing touch of our Lord Jesus lift up those who are in need. God of Love, **be with us now.** 

Grant your peace to the faithful departed, that they may enjoy the perfection of those good things which they partially knew in this world. God of Love, **be with us now.** 

We pray as those who seek to be worthy guests of the Lord who has called us to the Divine Feast: Send us out, Lord, into the streets and lanes and help us to find the good and the bad, the acceptable and rejected, the sick and well that we may lead them, your earthly treasures, into the kingdom where you reign for ever. Amen.

A Prayer during the time of Eucharistic Fast

Though our parish is scattered and we are apart, let our love for you and one another grow stronger. Though I may not now receive you in bread and wine, let the longing of my heart speak my words of love and gratitude to you, Lord Jesus, and be for me all the reality of your presence with me. **Amen**.

#### From the Liturgy of St John Chrysostom

Lord, you have given us grace to agree in these our prayers, and you have promised that when two or three gather in your name you will grant their requests. Fulfil now, Lord, our desires and prayers as may be best for us. Grant us, in this life, knowledge of your truth and in the age to come, life eternal. **Amen**.

Eternal God and Father, by whose power we are created and by whose love are redeemed: guide and strengthen us by your Spirit that we may give ourselves to your service and live this day in love to one another and to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

#### Postlude Priere de Notre Dame Leon Boellman

Readings for Next Week: October 18, Luke: Evangelist and Martyr 2 Timothy 4.9-17a, Psalm 145.10-18, Luke 10.1-9

Reading for October 25: Pentecost 21 I Thessalonians 2.1-13. Psalm 90.1-6. Matthew 22.34-46



#### Samaritan's Purse Boxes

I have received advice that the boxes are still going ahead, with the processing being done in Sydney and they will go to PNG, Cambodia, Fiji and Malawi. For anyone who would like a box to fill, they are available at both Gisborne and Riddell Op Shops or from myself. However, time is limited as they need to be returned by 22 October.

Thank-you to those who have already kindly packed boxes, I have about thirty so far. Elaine Millar, 5428 2522.

#### Annual Meeting of Parishioners 15th November 2020 Commencing at 11.30am at Church of the Resurrection, Macedon. After a Combined Service at 10.00am Please note that depending on the COVID -19 restrictions, this meeting may be conducted electronically.

1) Notice of revision of the Parish Electoral Roll.

• The Parish Electoral Roll is available for checking and was circulated electronically (with Pew Sheet) on 24/9/20 and can also be viewed on the Parish website - www.anglicanparishgisborne.org.au/parishportal

• A hard copy of the Roll is available for checking at the Parish Centre.

• Application Forms for enrolment are available on the Parish website or by contacting the Parish Secretary (caddick@bigpond.com.au) or the Parish Finance & Administration Officer (gisborneanglican@bigpond.com).

2) Applications for enrolment need to be submitted to Fr. Dennis Webster by no later than Friday 16th October 2020. The updated Electoral Roll for the 2020 Annual General Meeting will be published on the Parish website by Thursday 22nd October 2020.

3) Notice of the Annual Meeting - the meeting agenda will be published 14 days prior to the meeting date and the agenda papers will be available on Thursday 5th November 2020.

4) Call for Nomination of candidates for the offices of:

- 2 Church Wardens
- 6 Parish Council Members
- Hon. Secretary to Parish Council
- Hon. Parish Treasurer
- Incumbency Committee
  - i. One Parishioner to be elected by those on the electoral roll of each centre.

ii. One Parishioner to be elected as the Parish Representative.

The Nomination Forms to be handed to Fr Dennis Webster by noon on Friday 30th October 2020.

The 2020 Nomination Form is available on the Parish website or a hard copy available at the Parish Centre. Please note that Nominations require the support (signature) of 2 Parishioners who appear on the Parish Electoral Roll.

The Nominees for the positions listed above will be published by the 5th November 2020, at which time the arrangements for the conduct of an election (if required) will be advised.

5) Reports for the Annual Meeting should be sent by email as soon as possible but no later than Thursday 22nd October 2020 to caddick@bigpond.com.au

6) The Annual Meeting Papers will be distributed by Email on 5/11/20.

Please ensure that the Parish Office has your up-to-date email address.

If you need a printed copy of the papers, please let Margarita Caddick know by the Sunday 1st of November to enable them to be printed.

Email: caddick@bigpond.com.au or Phone 0448 368 774.



Our Parish EfM group will be starting its next year on November 1st, 2020. We are a happy small team enjoying the challenges of studying our faith and looking forward to welcoming others as we establish a new group.

We are meeting via Zoom at present, on Sunday afternoons from 3.00pm until around 6.00pm. The times and dates are to be determined by the new

group when it meets on November 1st. We invite anyone interested in joining with us to read the prospectus on the Anglican Parish of Gisborne Website <u>www.anglicanparishgisborne.org.au</u> for detailed information and if you would like a hard copy, please contact Alison via email <u>alison.kitching@bigpond.com</u> As we need to order the Reading and Reflection Guide, please let us know before October 25 if you'd like to be part of the new group.

Debra Saffrey-Collins & Alison Kitching

#### NOTICE OF REVISION OF PARISH ELECTORAL ROLL Parish of Gisborne

The parish electoral roll of this parish will be revised by the parish electoral committee commencing on September 24th, 2020 and applications for enrolment will close on Friday 16th October, 2020.

The Parish Governance Act 2013 provides that parish electoral roll is to contain the names of people who are of at least eighteen years of age and who—

- (a) are baptised;
- (b) regularly and habitually attend public worship at a worship centre in the parish;
- (c) have signed an application seeking to be included on the roll and declaring that-
  - (i) they are a member of the Anglican Church of Australia or of a church in communion with the Anglican Church of Australia;
  - (ii) they are not a member of any church which is not in communion with the Anglican Church of Australia; and
  - (iii) they are not on the parish electoral roll of any other parish or any Authorised Anglican Congregation in the Diocese other than a roll from which they wish their name to be removed.

The parish electoral roll as revised will be displayed 14 days prior to the annual meeting. A person must be on the parish electoral roll to vote at the annual meeting.

Dated: 24th September 2020.

Margarita Caddick Hon Parish Secretary

A password is required for the site www.anglicanparishgisborne.org.au/parishportal This will be available on request. Parish Directory:

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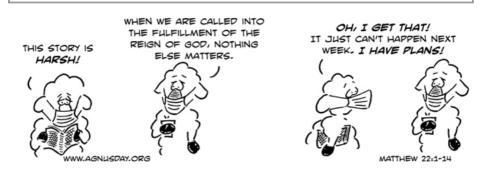
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VIRTUAL MORNING TEA Sunday 10.30 am

#### www.bit.ly/GisAngVMT

Morning Prayer Wednesday 10 am: www.bit.ly/GisAngWedMorn Morning Prayer Friday 8.30 am https://bit.ly/GisAngFridayMP



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