

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Mk 12:38-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

*This poor widow has put in more than all who contributed.*

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

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**GIVING ALL**

The high cost of living is a constant lament today, but being poor seems a timeless condition. Despite efforts over thousands of years, poverty has never been eradicated. Yet our readings today speak of great generosity that emerges out of poverty. Our first reading tells of Elijah asking a widow for a little water and a scrap of bread. He asks this of one with so little: a handful of meal and a little oil. Her willingness to share brings about a miracle.

This widow is paired with another unnamed widow in today's Gospel. The term 'widow' could describe a woman without a husband, father, or male relative. As such, she had no means of financial support. These widows are among the poorest of the poor. At the treasury, this widow is observed as most generous. We are invited to see what Jesus sees as he sits opposite – rich people putting in large contributions and one widow putting in two small coins, translated in Greek as two *lepta*, but understood as two bronze mites of Judea that are the smallest denomination. In Australia there is no longer a one cent coin but that might be a fair comparison.

The point is that these two mites are all the widow has. She does not hold back; she gives all. She gives her whole life and is a model for the disciples. Jesus is moving toward his passion and death where he will give everything, and his disciples are being asked to do the same, trusting in God. What about us?

Dr Rosemary Canavan

**FIRST READING**

1 Kings 17:10-16

A reading from the first book of the Kings

*The widow made a little scone from her flour and brought it to Elijah.*

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,  
jug of oil shall not be emptied,  
before the day when the Lord sends  
rain on the face of the earth." '

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 145:7-10. R. v. 2

**R. Praise the Lord, my soul!**

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, / who is just to those who are oppressed. / It is he who gives bread to the hungry, / the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, / who raises up those who are bowed down. / It is the Lord who loves the just, / the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**



3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan / but thwarts the path of the wicked. / The Lord will reign for ever, / Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

**SECOND READING**

Heb 9:24-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.*

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

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## OUR CHURCHES

**Kilmore:** St Patrick's Church, 37 Sutherland Street, Kilmore Vic 3764  
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**Wallan:** Our Lady of the Way, 30 Alcantara Blvd, Wallan East Vic 3756  
**Wandong:** St Michael's, 33-35 Wandong Ave, Wandong Vic 3758

## MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** Broadford at 5.00 pm & Kilmore at 6.30 pm  
**Sunday:** Kilmore at 7.45 am, Wallan at 9.00 am & Kilmore at 10.30 am  
**Weekday Masses:** Kilmore, Tuesday—Saturday Mass at 9 am (Except: Wednesday at 9am in Wallan)  
**Reconciliation:** Tuesday after 9am Mass, Kilmore  
**Adoration:** Thursday after 9am Mass, Kilmore  
**Rosary:** Thursday at 2.00pm in the Church, Kilmore *(Not running during school holidays)*

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## ROSTERS:

	<u>9/10 Nov</u>	<u>16/17 Nov</u>
<b><u>BROADFORD 5pm (Sat):</u></b>	<b>9 Nov</b>	<b>16 Nov</b>
Reader	Brian O'Dwyer	Paul Fleming
Eucharist Minister	Cath O'Dwyer	Julie Fleming
<b><u>KILMORE 6.30pm (Sat):</u></b>	<b>9 Nov</b>	<b>16 Nov</b>
Reader	TBA	Marita Dumaresq
Eucharist Minister	Clare Clancy	TBA
PowerPoint	Pauline Duff	Boyd Family
<b><u>KILMORE 7.45am (Sun):</u></b>	<b>10 Nov</b>	<b>17 Nov</b>
Reader	Paul Finneran	Sean Carroll
Eucharist Minister	Jeannette Jain	John Dixon
PowerPoint	Justine Sapiano	Carroll Family
<b><u>WALLAN 9am (Sun):</u></b>	<b>10 Nov</b>	<b>17 Nov</b>
Reader	Norbert Ryan	Patrick Hutchinson
Eucharist Minister	Tracey Brincat	Annette Moore
PowerPoint	Vivienne Lawrence	Chris Banon
<b><u>KILMORE 10.30am (Sun):</u></b>	<b>10 Nov</b>	<b>17 Nov</b>
Reader	Fetu Thompson	Rosebelle Quinn
Eucharist Minister	TBA	Rose Mendis
PowerPoint	Kath Pirie	Leonie Dunlop
<b><u>FLOWERS:</u></b>	TBA	TBA
<b><u>HOME EUCHARIST:</u></b>	Pauline Duff	Ann Harrigan
	Helen Clancy	John Dixon
	Pauline Duff	Mary Donovan
<b><u>CLEANERS KILMORE:</u></b>	Lynne Beaumont	TBA
	Carry Eid	

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

### Sick List:

Gerard McCaughey, Sonia Savolokin, Shae Newey, Steven Campbell, Danny Prelac, Jim Ahearn, Robert Duncan, Pina D'agostino, Eva Aschberger, Ian & Sandy Domeyer, Richard Lloyd, Theo Aitchison, Lee Stewart, Tessa Borg, Kelly Borg, Peter Hanvin, Beth Murphy, Dot McIlroy, Susan Foster, Rita Devlin, Rosa Dahm, Guadalupe Agreda, Patrick Hogan, Nuvia Prelac, Bernadette McWhinney, Rachele Snoball & all the sick of the parish.

### Anniversaries:

Fr. Jovita De Sousa, Joyce Uren, Joseph Soudek, Noreen Clarke, Sr. Margaret Therese Sheehan, Brian Murphy, Ernest Skehan, Domenico Denami, Gloria Bridget Harrington, Mary Zoch, June Skehan, Dorothy M. McLeod, Michael Hibbard, John Marum, Antonio De Sousa Snr, Gordon Ryan, Jack Norman Mackinaly Keep, Elisapeta Sanele, Claire Connor, Phillip Francis Ryan and the anniversaries of all which occur at this time as well as all people who are in need of our prayers.



**Mon 11th Nov:** 9am Communion Service, no Mass.

**St Vincent de Paul, Kilmore Conference - Christmas Sale, available at all Churches this weekend**

Columban Calendars= \$10 each & Christmas Cards= 5 for \$5

**Articles for The Shamrock Magazine:** The Editors of "The Shamrock" are looking for articles for the next edition. Photos would be great too. Please email articles to: [stpatsparishmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsparishmagazine@gmail.com)

**Pastoral Care Appeal 2024**

This weekend is CatholicCare Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal (previously known as Chaplaincy Appeal). Donations from our parish community will support the most vulnerable people in our community. Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic Prison Chaplains can continue to be the messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion.

Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria. The presence of Catholic Chaplains is a crucial witness to our faith, a crucial dimension of our service of love, and a vital testimony to the value of life in all its stages. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9967 2515.

**Donate Today**

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## In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

*John McCrae 1915*



**A prayer to offer up on Remembrance Day, 11th November::**

***Peace Prayer of St Francis***

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon.  
Where there is doubt, faith.  
Where there is despair, hope.  
Where there is darkness, light.  
Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not so much seek to be con-  
soled,  
as to console;  
to be understood, as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal  
Life.

**Amen.**

(Source: <https://www.praywithme.com/peace-prayer-of-st-francis.html>)

**MESSAGE FROM**

**FR PRAKASH**

Dear Parishioners,

I am doing well.

Thank you for your Prayers  
for me.

- Fr Prakash

***Fr Prakash is well on the road to recovery.***

***We have posted him a parcel of all your cards with well wishes which he is eagerly waiting to receive. We continue to pray for him.***

