

St Paul's Cathedral, Sale

St Alban's Kilmany, St Anne's Golden Beach & St Mark's Loch Sport

We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people as the original custodians of this region. All churches of the parish stand on the lands of the Gunaikurnai people.

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Cathedral Parish Vision: People of Christian faith — 12th May 2024 Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday. Sunday after Ascension

Sentence of Scripture

Jesus prayed, 'Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.' *John 17.11*

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God,

your blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth until the end of time;

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Holy Communion Services at St Paul's:

Sundays - 8.00am and 10.00am Wednesdays - 10.00am in the Lady Chapel Sunday Evenings 3rd Sunday of the month @ 5pm **Contemplative Service** Morning prayer 9am on Fridays

Outcentre Services:

St Anne's Golden Beach 10.30am 1st Sunday & 3rd Sunday of the month

St Alban's Kilmany 2.00pm 3rd Sunday of the month (Not in December or January)

St Mark's Loch Sport Services only at Easter and Christmas

Zoom Links: Evening Prayer: Daily at 5.30pm - 6.00pm

Meeting ID: 879 3927 8803 Passcode: Prayer

Meditation: Weekdays: silent Christian Meditation, 8.15am-8.45am

Meeting ID: 809 497 711 Passcode: 600361

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Cathedral Prayer Chain Requests

Please contact Trish Broadbear 0418 104 840

The prayer chain is for anyone in need of prayer

Our parish is committed to ensuring our centres of worship and outreach are safe places for all, especially children and vulnerable people. We have a duty of care to protect all who participate in the life of the church from abuse. We have zero tolerance for abuse of any kind.

If you are concerned about your own or somebody else's safety, or have witnessed behaviour that makes you feel uncomfortable you can contact the Deputy Director of Professional Standards in the Gippsland Diocese, Julie Reilly Mobile: 0456 572 589 Email: julie@kooyoora.org.au You may also like to talk to the Dean or the Lay Canons, or if this is a really serious matter, go directly to the police, and then to the above.

Please pray for our supported student Moses Baiduduga at Newton College PNG.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.' So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles. *Acts 1.15-17, 1.21-26* Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1

Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly:

nor followed the way of sinners,

nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.

But their delight is in the law of the Lord:

and on that law will they ponder day and night.

They are like trees planted beside streams of water:

that yield their fruit in due season.

Their leaves also shall not wither:

and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them:

they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.

Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement:

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous:

but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

A Reading from The First Letter of John

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. *1 John 5.9-13*Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that

they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth. *John 17.6-19* For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Reflection:

Today we read of Matthias' election to stand among the apostles in the place of Judas Iscariot. It must have been daunting to stand among them, knowing that one of them had not only recently betrayed Jesus but had also ended his own life. And yet, Matthias allowed his name to go forward for election and was chosen. God gave him the grace to become a faithful apostle.

- May we always be ready to take the reins when the situation demands it, especially in our church life.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

Text: Robert McLean

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To all Mothers and Mother figures, Happy Mother's Day! There will be the opportunity to light candles to celebrate and /or remember those significant people in our lives.

Our love and prayers to those who struggle on this day for whatever reason.

Next Sunday is Pentecost, please wear red!

We are catering for Synod in 2 weeks, we need people to help with many different jobs over the weekend, Saturday morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner in the hall for 125 and morning tea Sunday morning. Other than the dinner the rest is at Gippsland Grammar (Senior School this time).

Please pray for Synod and our reps, Kevin, Jan and Michael Down.

Hope25 is a project led by the General Synod that is an intentional season of **sharing hope in Jesus.** It is being held from Easter Day to Pentecost 2025 and will be launched this Pentecost Sunday, 19th May. We have an opportunity in this uncertain world to share our hope in Jesus and ask for your prayers for Hope25. More information can be found at https://www.hope25.com.au/

Chapter News

Chapter met and discussed the 2nd of the Five Marks of Mission, "To teach, baptise and nurture new believers".

Chapter are still exploring how we can open the Cathedral every day and for longer hours. Currently there is a shortage of volunteers to do this, but the community has let us know they would like the doors to be open. Please pray for this ministry and let us know if you have any ideas how we can achieve this.

Sunday offertories are close to the budget for the year to date. Parishioners have the option of giving on the day or online.

Safe Church Workshop at **Stratford** on Friday 17th May from 11am-2pm.

If you need to complete the workshop or renewal, you would be most welcome.

RSVP David Perryman davidp@gippsanglican.org.au

Safe Church Awareness & Refresher Workshop (Sale)

Date: Friday 26 July 2024 Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Online registration is essential: https://www.trybooking.com/CPHAZ



Humongous Thank You to all who helped in any way before, during or after the service to celebrate the lives of Mavis and Bill Jennings.

Setting up the amazing displays in the hall as well as the cathedral, preparing the PowerPoint photos, preparing, serving and cleaning up the afternoon tea etc. took a lot of time and effort, thank you!

We had a lot of very positive and thankful feedback about not only offering it, but the service, afternoon tea and displays as well. What is in foyer is to remain with us, however all that is displayed in the hall; hats, clothes, arts and crafts etc. is for taking for a donation.

(cash or credit card)

Help needed to take down the display, Nancy doing this Monday.

The huge flower started as an outline, and most of the congregation added petals from felt Mavis made, as a symbolic way to honour them.

Some of the organisations they were involved in added their logo as well.

If you receive an email from REV Keren, check the email address, as more SPAM emails asking you to do a job for her are doing the rounds again.

Wanderers: Lunch at La Porchetta at 12 noon on Friday 17th. Cuppa and chat Thur 10am at Shirley's. All welcome. Contact Jan on 0421605461.

The Mission of the month od May is Leprosy Mission Australia

Following Jesus Christ, The Leprosy Mission seeks to bring about transformation; breaking the chains of leprosy, empowering people to attain healing, dignity, and life in all its fullness.

The Leprosy Mission has an online shop, selling home-wares, fashion, fair-trade gifts, tea and coffee, marmalade, chocolate, hand-made gifts and many other items. See the display in the foyer or go to: https://shop.leprosymission.org.au/
Or you can place a donation in an envelope, label it 'Leprosy Mission' and put in the offertory bag at Sunday worship.

The Abbey is selling **special wines**. Pamphlets on the table in the foyer.

Please wear your namebadge, to the services as well as to morning tea, so we can all get to know your names. If you don't have one, see Christine.

Morning prayer

Please join Dean Keren in the Cathedral for Morning Prayer every Friday at 9am. We'll pray for our parish and diocese, and any other concerns pray-ers may have!

The (10am) service each week is live streamed. (Search St Paul's Cathedral Sale when in YouTube) https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulscathedralsale/streams

Coming up at The Abbey



May 16th – 19th – Retreat: Love is Letting Go of Fear. (Thursday – Sunday). Facilitator: Martin Hosking

May 31st – June 2nd – Weekend Retreat: Meeting the Enneagram. Facilitator: Julia Fullarton.

Internet Bank Transfer: Cathedral's ministry and mission BSB 013-795 Account no: 4962-98866 Ref: Offering etc.

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Poem—The Dash by Linda Ellis

(read at the Jennings service)
I read of a man who stood to speak
at the funeral of a friend
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
from the beginning...to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke the following date with tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time that they spent alive on earth.

And now only those who loved them know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own -the cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
and how we spend our dash.

So, think about this long and hard. Are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left that can still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough to consider what's true and real, and always try to understand the way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger and show appreciation more, and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile, remembering this special dash might only last a little while.

So, when your eulogy is being read with your life's actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you spent YOUR dash?

From: WHAT A WONDERFUL LIFE FOR MOMS:

Life is wonderful because of the innocence and honesty of children.

How did God make mothers?

- -He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
- -Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
- -God made my mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

-God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.

What kind of little girl was your mom?

- -My mom has always been my mom and none of that other stuff.
- -I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.
- -They say she used to be nice.

If you could change one thing about your mom, what would it be?

- -She has this weird thing about me keeping my room clean. I'd get rid of that.
- -I'd make my mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did it and not me.
- -I would like for her to get rid of those invisible eyes on her back.

Mission Helpers Thanksgiving 12th May

Today at both Sunday services, and on Wednesday, we are giving thanks for the ministry of the Mission Helpers, an organisation which has been operating in the parish for almost a century. Over those many years, a group of faithful folk have gathered to pray for various missions locally and overseas, to make necessary items and to raise funds for mission, as well as enjoying a cup of tea and fellowship. The thanksgiving next Sunday will include the laying up of the minute books - both the latest and the earliest we could find - as sadly, the time for this ministry is concluding. Of course, this doesn't mean we no longer have a concern for mission! We will still continue with a Mission of the Month and giving to mission agencies. We always hope that when we lay something down, the seed will sprout with a bountiful harvest in other ways. Come and give thanks for this faithful ministry.



