



# 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 –* **24<sup>th</sup> April 2022**  
*Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday.* **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

Jesus said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' *John 20.27*

### **The Prayer of the day**

Living God,  
for whom no door is closed,  
no heart is locked:  
draw us beyond our doubts,  
till we see your Christ  
and touch his wounds where they bleed  
in others.

This we ask through Christ our Saviour,  
who lives and reigns with you and the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

### **A Prayer for our new Dean**

God of new beginnings, we give thanks  
that Rev'd. Keren Terpstra has accepted  
the invitation to be our next Dean.

Bless and comfort her as she concludes  
her ministry at St Margaret's Eltham.

Guide her by your Holy Spirit as she  
prepares for new ministry in Sale.

Pour out your Spirit of generosity upon  
the Cathedral Parish.

May we have warm, welcoming, patient  
and accepting hearts, as we prepare for  
this new chapter in the life of your  
church in Sale.

We ask this in the name of our risen  
Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ.

**Amen**

### **Holy Communion Services at St Paul's:**

**Sundays - 8.00am and 10.00am**

**Wednesdays - 10.00am** in the Lady Chapel

**Meditation in person: 4.15pm Mondays**

*Sunday* **Healing Eucharist** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month @ 5pm

*Evenings* **Contemplative Service** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month @ 5pm

### **Outcentre Services:**

**St Anne's Golden Beach** 10.30am 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 2.00pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

**St Alban's Kilmany** 2.00pm 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

**St Mark's Loch Sport** 10.30am 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month

**TODAY**

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### **Cathedral Prayer Chain Requests**

Please contact Naomi McDonald 5144 5922

**The prayer chain is for anyone in need of prayer**

*Please pray for our supported student Hemirose Igo at Newton College PNG.*

Sovereign God,

we pray for the nation of Ukraine, its leaders and people.

We pray that you would make your presence known to them at this time of strife.

We pray for their protection and for an end to the Russian invasion.

We pray for the innocent, the frightened, the dispossessed, and those who have lost loved ones, homes and family.

We pray that you would bless the endeavours of those who work for peace and an end to this conflict.

Have mercy, we pray, on Ukraine.

Also we elevate into your care also, those in NSW and Queensland suffering the devastation of flooding.

May your peace rule in the hearts and minds of all.

Continue to stir up the leaders of the world to work together for the good of all.

We pray this in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **Amen.**

### **A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and

Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' *Acts 5.27-32*

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 118.14-29**

The Lord is my strength and my song:  
**and has become my salvation.**

The sounds of joy and deliverance:  
**are in the tents of the righteous.**

The right hand of the Lord does mighty things:  
**the right hand of the Lord raises up.**

I shall not die but live:  
**and proclaim the works of the Lord.**

The Lord has disciplined me hard:  
**but he has not given me over to death.**

Open me the gates of righteousness:  
**and I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

This is the gate of the Lord:  
**the righteous shall enter it.**

I will praise you, for you answered me:  
**and have become my salvation.**

The stone that the builders rejected:  
**has become the head of the corner.**

This is the Lord's doing:  
**and it is marvellous in our eyes.**

This is the day that the Lord has made:  
**let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

O Lord, save us, we pray:  
**O Lord, send us prosperity.**

Blessed is he who comes, in the name of the Lord:  
**from the house of the Lord we bless you.**

The Lord is God, and he has given us light:  
**guide the festal throng up to the horns of the altar.**

You are my God and I will praise you:  
**you are my God, I will exalt you.**

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:  
**and his mercy endures for ever.**

## **A Reading from Revelations**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,

and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be.

Amen.

‘I am the Alpha and the Omega’, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. *Revelation 1.4-8*

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.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, ‘We have seen the Lord.’ But he said to them, ‘Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.’ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.’ Thomas answered him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have you believed

because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. *John 20.19-31*  
For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

***Reflection*** *Coming to Faith as Easter people. Easter 2.*

We can only imagine how traumatized were the disciples following the crucifixion of their Master. Behind locked doors, huddled together, fearful, acutely aware of their inability to support Him when at his most vulnerable. Then Jesus is in their midst. His forgiveness comes in the words “peace be with you” (v.19). Jesus showed that resurrection was an experience of forgiveness and that extracting revenge was not part of the vocabulary of the Kingdom Ethic. He wanted his disciples to know that he was really alive, that his suffering was real and to feel and to know in their hearts, his divine peace. The dawning of a new humanity was to begin with them, (with us his baptized), the hallmarks of which were deep peace and forgiveness.

As John states: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” (v:22). By breathing on them the Holy Spirit they were commissioned to live the same mission, to show a way that was very different in a largely indifferent world. The reading from Acts records their shift in attitude, they have been transformed from fearful disciples to intrepid men (and women) whom the authorities, the then ‘powers that be’ could not silence.

The story of Thomas raises interesting points. It gave permission for generations of Christians to express doubts and fears experienced along their journey of faith. For Thomas, his recorded (v:25) uncertainty was perhaps, more a disbelief in the crucifixion, as how could he believe in an executed Messiah? We know the hope at the time was for a Messiah who would turn the tables on their violent oppressors and overthrow (with violence). Jesus however showed that sanctioned violence was not the Kingdom Way. Jesus raises violence on the cross, destroys its power and commissions us to examine and practice, an alternative way to live a life; to understand that the way to cure violence is to completely refrain from doing it. Perhaps we can dare to name that the greatest sin in our world is believing otherwise? That it is acceptable to show forms of violence in racism, economic deprivation, greed, in all the processes that create a ‘them and us’ culture? Resurrection, to live as ‘Easter people’ takes time and can never be a one-time event. It is an experience we grow into and it is through our relationships and the circumstances of our lives that it grows. The communal way in which we grow in our faith is an important focus in this reading. Coming to Christian faith is a shared process of trust, of mutual support, of fellowship, of learning, and edifying through teaching. We are in the same position as Thomas, our knowledge of these events is

not firsthand but relayed through the whole canon of Scripture. We are the committed Christians who have not seen and yet have come to believe.

*Liam Matthews*

*Locum/Acting Dean*

**The Installation and Induction of The Reverend Keren Terpstra as Dean of the Cathedral Church** of St Paul is during the Synod Eucharist at St Paul's Cathedral, on Friday 17 June 2022 at 7.00pm. There will be a 'parish wide' service and lunch on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

**Christine Morris receives her Medal of the Order of Australia at Government house this Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> at 11am.** It is livestreamed via [www.governor.vic.gov.au](http://www.governor.vic.gov.au) or via the Governor of Victoria YouTube. It will remain available on their 'video' tab of the YouTube site for a while.

### **Two volunteers needed for Open Cathedral, Saturdays**

Are you keen to have the church open for visitors on Saturday afternoons? Some people come out of curiosity, to see an historical building and beautiful stained glass windows. Some are looking for a quiet place to sit.

At the Chapter meeting this week, we decided to stop opening on Thursdays and consolidate to Saturday afternoons only, so that the small team of people volunteering can be rostered on just once a month. There are always two people on together, from 2–4pm, when the water tower opposite is also open.

If we can find two more people to help, we may be able to keep opening. Does this sound like you? Like to know more? Contact Jan Down: 0405 812 518.

### **The 10 am service each week is live streamed.**

(Search *St Paul's Cathedral Sale* **when in** YouTube)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrLG94vHT28kEG4Ghd80PhQ/videos?view=57>

**Meditation is on** Monday to Friday on line and in person in the cathedral on Mondays at 4.15pm

#### **Internet Bank Transfer: Cathedral's ministry and mission**

BSB 013-795 Account no: 4962-98866 Ref: Offering etc.

#### **Internet Bank Transfer: St Paul's Building Fund (**Fill the gap**)**

BSB 705 077 Acc no: 000 409 69 NO reference needed

#### **Sunday Bulletin / Web/Facebook contact:**

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Volunteer only 1 hour per week during school terms

Work with a young person from primary or secondary school in Sale or Maffra No experience necessary.

Full training and support provided You have something to offer a young person- time, experience & friendship. This really does make a difference!



## **‘Your Past, Their Future’ Youth Mentoring Program**

**Are you passionate about young people?  
Do you want to give back?  
Can you spare 1 hour a week to be a friend?**

**You can make a difference by becoming a volunteer mentor!!**

**Want more info?**

**Please contact Melesa Eldred**

**Phone: 0400 197 705**

**Email: [melesa.eldred@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:melesa.eldred@education.vic.gov.au)**

Young people who are mentored are more likely to stay in school, have higher self-esteem and have positive relationships with their peer, teachers, families and community.

They are less likely to drop out of school, misuse drugs/alcohol or show violent or antisocial behavior.

## **Sentence from Scripture for ANZAC day**

‘No one has greater love than this,  
than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.

You are my friends,’ says the Lord, ‘if you do what I command you.’

*John 14.13–14*

## **The Prayer of the day**

O God, our ruler and guide,  
in whose hands are the destinies of this  
and every nation,  
we give you thanks for the freedoms  
we enjoy in this land  
and for those who laid down their  
lives to defend them:

We pray that we and all the people  
of Australia,  
gratefully remembering their courage  
and their sacrifice,  
may have grace to live in a spirit of justice,  
of generosity, and of peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



*Lest we forget*