



St Paul's Cathedral, Sale

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

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All churches of the parish stand on the lands of the Gunaikurnai people.*

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Cathedral Parish Vision: *"People of Christian faith –
Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday."*

1st January 2023
Epiphany

Sentence of Scripture

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Isaiah 60.1

The Prayer of the day

Eternal God,
who by a star led Magi to the worship of your Son:
guide the nations of the earth by your light,
that the whole world may see your glory;
through 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

Meditation in person: 4.15pm Mondays except in January

Outcentre Services:

St Anne's Golden Beach 10.30am 1st Sunday 2.00pm 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 10.30am 2nd Sunday of the month

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

Meditation on Mondays NOT ON at 4.15pm in the cathedral in January

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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

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

A Reading from The Prophet Isaiah

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth,

and thick darkness the peoples;

but the Lord will arise upon you,

and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light,

and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;

they all gather together, they come to you;

your sons shall come from far away,

and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant;

your heart shall thrill and rejoice,

because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,

the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you,

the young camels of Midian and Ephah;

all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,

and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord *.Isaiah 60.1-6*

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

Psalm 72.1-7, 10-14

Give the king your judgement, O God:

and your righteousness to the son of a king,

That he may judge your people rightly:

and the poor of the land with equity.

Let the mountains be laden with peace
because of his righteousness:

and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

May he give justice to the poor among the people:

**and rescue the children of the needy,
and crush the oppressor.**

May he live while the sun endures:

**and while the moon gives light,
throughout all generations.**

May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields:

and as showers that water the earth.

In his time shall righteousness flourish:

and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles
shall bring tribute:

the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him:

and all nations do him service.

He will deliver the needy when they cry:

and the poor that have no helper.

He will pity the helpless and the needy:

and save the lives of the poor.

He will redeem them from oppression and violence:

and their blood shall be precious in his sight.

A Reading from The Letter to the Ephesians

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Ephesians 3.1-12

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem,

asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’

When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler

who is to shepherd my people Israel.” ’

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.

Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was.

When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Matthew 2.1-12

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Dean’s Reflection

Happy New Year! Happy Epiphany! Well, the lectionary compilers in their wisdom are allowing the wise folk to arrive to Bethlehem 5 days early, in order that we can celebrate Jesus’ baptism next week... Usually Epiphany is the 6th January, 12 days after Christmas.

It’s one of my favourite times of year, because the Feast of the Epiphany starts the season of Epiphany, the time of light shining brightly, of God’s light “shining in our hearts to give knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ”. Our liturgical year doesn’t map very well over the seasons of the southern hemisphere, but here’s one time when the season speaks to us – because this time of year the summery days are long, and the light is beautiful and bright and many-hued.

As we enjoy the more relaxed pace of January, let's lean into Epiphany: the joyful offering, not just of gold, frankincense and myrrh, but of what they symbolise: our whole hearts and lives given over to God to be transformed and to become the conduits through which God's light shines in the world.

May 2023 be for you, and for us collectively in the Cathedral parish, a year which is marked by God's goodness, God's life, God's light shining in and through us to the wider community in which we live.

Epiphany Chalk Blessing

This year we're doing something a little different! The Epiphany blessing of chalk and homes is a centuries old (mostly European) tradition where priests would visit each home in their parish after the Feast of the Epiphany. Over time it became more difficult to accomplish such a feat as parishes became larger and larger and priests were stretched thin. For this reason, it became an accepted tradition that a member of the household is able to lead this blessing in place of the priest. The blessing has biblical roots, deeply tied to the Passover in the book of Exodus (12: 1-13). Once the chalk has been blessed, it is used to write the initials of the three Wise Men, connected with Crosses, over the inside of the front door (on the lintel, if possible). The year is then added, breaking up the numbers so that they fall on either side of the initials, for example: 20+C+M+B+23. As well as the three wise folk – Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar – the initials also stand for the Latin: *Christus mansionem benedicat* “Christ bless this house”.

At the end of the service today we'll bless the chalk outside and then use it to mark the Cathedral and hall. Enclosed with this week's pew sheet is a little order of service you can use if you like, to bless your home in a similar fashion.

Your Dean,

Keren

GIANT Book Fair starts THIS WEDNESDAY Help still needed!

If you have your safe ministry checks completed, Christine needs your help at the cash desk. She has her empty Roster there today.

Thank you to all of the amazing hard working people who have helped get it nearly ready. The container is 99% empty of books and the hall itself has approx. 10,000 books in it, over 450 boxes of books and counting!

Monday hopefully is sorting DVD day if you can help please.

Contact Christine 0438595056 if you would like to help. Tell your friends, and encourage people to come.



Gifts of \$2 or more are tax deductible. Your gifts will help support Act for Peace's work with communities around the world affected by conflict and disaster.

QR code or <http://mycb.link/48393> puts money into the St Paul's appeal.

The next Chapter meeting has been postponed to a date to be determined.

Solar Panels for the Hall/Cathedral are arriving mid January

Anglican Hospital Chaplaincy – Central Gippsland Hospital Sale

If you would like to have the Hospital Chaplain visit you, a family member or a friend please contact the Revd Heather Toms, Hospital Chaplain on 0400 512 217'.

Coming up

4-21 January **Giant Book Fair.**

29th January 2pm **Chamber Philharmonia Cologne Concert** (From Germany)

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>

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CHALKING OF THE CHURCH

Our help is in the name of The Lord

Who has made heaven and earth

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Saving God, you passed over the homes of the Israelites marked with the sign of your mercy and you revealed yourself to the Gentile visitors who paid homage to your infant Son in his first dwelling, bless + this chalk which we use in faith to beseech your protection and favour upon our homes, and our Church; through Christ, who was made flesh and dwelt among us. **Amen.**

The procession moves to the principal entrance of the church, and the lintel is marked as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 23

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and twenty-two years ago. May Christ bless those who worship and minister in this Church and remain with them throughout the new year.

Amen.

Let us pray. O God, who by the guidance of a star did this day reveal your Only Begotten Son to the Gentiles, grant that we who know You by faith may be brought to the contemplation of the heavenly majesty, through the same Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

CHALK BLESSING: YOUR HOME

Chalking the front door of your house is a wonderful way to invite God's blessings into your home as we usher in the New Year. The chalking of your front door can be done on Epiphany itself or any day during the week following. You are encouraged to take some of the blessed chalk from our service home to perform the rite yourself, with other members of your household, using the suggested order of service below.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR CHALKING THE DOOR:

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
2. Read an Epiphany Scripture passage (such as one of those from the service – see pew sheet).
3. Pray: “Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.”
4. Chalk the door or door frame or lintel: 20 + C + M + B + 23
5. You may then like to sing an Epiphany Carol (such as one of suggestions below).
6. Pray the Our Father.
7. Make the Sign of the Cross.

SUGGESTED CAROLS FOR EPIPHANY CHALK BLESSING AT HOME:

1. We Three Kings of Orient are,
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain,
Moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.

*O Star of Wonder, Star of Night,
Star with Royal Beauty bright,
Westward leading,
Still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.*

Caspar

2. Born a King on Bethlehem plain,
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King for ever,
Ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.

Refrain

Melchior

3. Frankincense to offer have I,
Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising
All folk raising,
Worship Him God on High.

Refrain

Balthazar

4. Myrr is mine; its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;-
Sorrowing, sighing,
Bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Refrain

5. Glorious now behold Him arise,
King, and God, and Sacrifice;
Heav'n sings Hallelujah:
Hallelujah the earth replies.

Refrain.

1 O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him born the king of angels:

*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!*

2 True God of true God, Light of light eternal,
lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Son of the Father, begotten, not created:

Refrain

3 See how the shepherds summoned to his cradle,
leaving their flocks, draw nigh with holy fear;
we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps:
Refrain

4 Lo, star-led chieftains, wise folk, Christ adoring,
offer him incense, gold and myrrh;
we to the Christ- child bring our hearts' oblations:
Refrain

5 Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger,
fain we embrace thee with love and awe;
who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?
Refrain

6 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing all ye citizens of heaven above,
'Glory to God, glory in the highest':
Refrain



Meet the STAR of the Crib Service,

Thanks Ro, what a star, and as a parent said as they left, the highlight of the service!

Ro led the wisemen around the cathedral, and shone over the manger.

Make sure you go past the crib scene in the community room ‘door’, 3 magnificent wise people have popped in for a quick visit!

Thanks Rev Lyn.



GIANT BOOK FAIR

Every day 4th – 24th Jan

9am - 4pm

Opens 10am on Sundays

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