St Paul's Cathedral, Sale / Wayput

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 – Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday.*

16th February Epiphany 6

Sentence of Scripture

Blessed are you when people hate you on account of the Son of man. Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. *Luke 6.23*

Prayer of the day

Righteous God, you challenge the powers that rule this world and you show favour to the oppressed: instil in us a true sense of justice, that we may discern the signs of your kingdom and strive for right to prevail; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen** Hope 25

God of hope, you fill those who trust in you with peace and joy: give us the gift of your Spirit so that we may overflow with the hope we have in Jesus, shine with his presence, and share the good news with others. **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 <u>Outcentre Services:</u>

St Anne's Golden Beach	10.30am	1^{st} Sunday & 3^{rd} Sunday of the month	
St Alban's Kilmany	2.00pm	3 rd Sunday of the month (Not in December or January	y)
St Mark's Loch Sport		Services only at Easter and Christmas	

Zoom Links: <u>Evening Prayer:</u> Daily at 5.30pm - 6.00pm

Meditation:Meeting ID: 879 3927 8803 Passcode: PrayerMeditation:Weekdays: silent Christian Meditation, 8.15am-8.45amMeeting ID: 809 497 711 Passcode: 600361



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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.

> 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 Moses Baiduduga at Newton College PNG.

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Thus says the Lord : Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord . They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord. whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings. Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Jeremiah 17.5-10

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 to the Corinthians

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. *1 Corinthians 15.12-20*

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.

They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.

And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. *Luke 6.17-26*

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

Reflection

St Luke reports to us today that Jesus announces what appears to be a topsy-turvy world, one where the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful and the hated will be blessed by God – unlike the rich, the ones with full bellies, the ones who now laugh, and the well-regarded. This explanation of how God wants the world to work should cause us all to ask ourselves how we, individually and corporately, can create space for the poor, the hungry, the sorrowful and the hated to be welcomed among us.

- Pray that we can become ever more inclusive, both personally and as a Church.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

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Dean's Desk

Last Sunday's festive and poignant Evensong celebrating Archbishop Philip's ministry as he laid up his pastoral staff at St Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, was an amazing (and awfully hot and humid) experience. I was thinking of the folk back here in Sale watching on the big screen, because I was seated in a side chapel behind a pillar - and was also watching the service on a big screen directly in front of me! I'm really glad I went; it was an incredible testimony to the many lives ++Philip's ministry has touched. And at a personal level, a little mind-bending because I connected and reconnected with people from every part of my life's journey so far: friends from the Diocese of Brisbane, a couple of people from Sydney, lots of friends and colleagues from Melbourne, and even an old friend from

school who was part of the church I grew up in and I hadn't seen in 30 years. I think big cathedral services are at their best when there's a sense of being part of the bigger whole of the big-C Church gathered through all time and space...

This week has been filled with and somewhat overshadowed by the joint Chapter/Greater Chapter Visioning Day, which we held yesterday at St James' Traralgon. A huge thank you to all members of Chapter and Greater Chapter for giving up a Saturday and in some cases other commitments to be there. We used the imagery of "a beating heart" to explore ways the two bodies contribute to making the Cathedral a beating heart for the Diocese, and spent some time coming up with a list of priorities for how each body might live out the vision of the Cathedral becoming a beating heart for the community and the Diocese. It was a rich day. I was very grateful to the catering team at Traralgon parish who generously provided for us, and to Gradwell their priest and Glenda their admin assistant for their gracious hospitality.

Also this week I attended a zoom meeting of a restorative justice practice group. We resolved to meet five times this year to reflect on how to make restorative justice real in our contexts. I'm still at the beginning of my journey with restorative practices, but as I'm hoping we'll be able to introduce it here (at the cathedral and in the diocese), it's important to be part of this community of practice.

Today we farewell Ann Miller, who has been part of the parish for 47 years (almost a local!). Ann's graciousness, her spiritual perspicacity, her management of the kitchen and catering team for several years, her involvement in, leadership of and support for the many spirituality-focused things and retreats that have happened here, her (and Iain's) time as a lay canon and part of leadership teams in the parish, her being part of the Anam Cara community, and of course her enormous contribution to the medical community here in Sale will be sorely missed. Ann, we are grateful for you, and pray God's blessing on you as you move to Canberra for this next chapter of your life. Whenever you return to Gippsland, this is your home here!

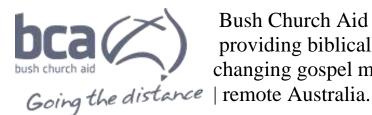
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Instead of meeting once a month at Legends for dinner we have decided to have a change and will be **meeting for Lunch**, 12 noon , at **Lakeside (Bowling Club) on the 23rd Feb** at 12 noon. If you would like to join us please put your name on the list in the foyer.

Sadly 3 carpet rugs were taken from outside the cathedral this week.

Reminder to be very vigilant and please lock doors when you are working inside the cathedral, we have someone who likes to sneak in and hide, then leave by unlocking a different door. Please check all external doors are locked when you leave.

Mission of the Month: BCA



Bush Church Aid is all about Aid to the Church in the Bush; providing biblically faithful ministry and bringing the lifechanging gospel message of Jesus to rural, regional, and remote Australia.

BCA financially support 50% of Jude and Andy Benton's ministry in the Cooperating Parish of Croajingolong. The parish includes St Peter's Mallacoota and St John's Cann River. Please pray for them and for the work of BCA around Australia. If you would like to donate to BCA, please put money in an envelope marked BCA and place in the offertory on Sunday. Or to donate online, go to <u>https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/</u> and click on the Give button.

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All welcome to this craft group which meets on Thursdays from 10am to 1pm in the Community Room. Bring your craft (sewing, painting, knitting, crochet, any others) and enjoy a cuppa with morning tea supplied. You can BYO lunch if you would like. Contact person is Jenny Wilson

Sale and Avon Alpha Friday nights, 6pm-8pm starting 7th March. No cost, dinner provided. Register at https://www.trybooking.com/CYQUS

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