



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 –* **11th May**
Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday. **4th Sunday of Easter**

Sentence of Scripture

The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Revelation 7.17

Prayer of the day

Gracious God,
 you sent Jesus, the good shepherd,
 to gather us together:
 may we not wander from his flock,
 but follow wherever he leads us,
 listening for his voice and staying near him,
 until we are safely in your fold,
 to live with you for ever;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
 Spirit, one God, now and for 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

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

Associate Priest/Hospital Chaplain: Rev'd Heather Toms 0400 512 217

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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 Will Kepolo at Newton College PNG.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Acts 9.36-43

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

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

He will make me lie down in green pastures:

and lead me beside still waters.

He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

You spread a table before me

in the face of those who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup shall be full.

Surely your goodness and loving-kindness

will follow me all the days of my life:

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

A Reading from the Book of Revelations

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

‘Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!’

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God,

singing,

‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honour

and power and might

be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.’

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?’

I said to him, ‘Sir, you are the one that knows.’ Then he said to me, ‘These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.’

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’ *Revelation 7.9-17*
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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, ‘How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.’ Jesus answered, ‘I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. The Father and I are one.’ *John 10.22-30*

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

Reflection

The religious authorities confront Jesus at the Temple, demanding that he tell them unequivocally whether or not he is the Messiah. Jesus doesn’t play whatever game it is they want him to play and declares that he has clearly told them but they have not believed. The works that he has done have been in the Father’s name but, despite that, they have not believed. They, he unequivocally tells them, are not of his flock.

* Lord, may I always remain one of your flock by following you wherever you lead me.

* Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

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Dean's Desk

Today is Mothers' Day. I hope that for those whose mothers are still living, and for those who are mothers themselves, that there will be some lovely recognition in your families, and the opportunity for expressing thanks. For those of us whose mothers (or children) are far away whether by distance, time, difficulty or challenge, or death, we offer them to God's mercy.

On Monday the Foundation and Year 1 classes from St Anne's visited the cathedral and we talked about the stories in the cathedral windows. This coming week grades 2-4 and grade 6 will be visiting on Monday and Thursday. Please pray for our visitors!

On Wednesday evening (in the midst of the freezing cold and very rude weather change!) a solid number of us attended a candlelight vigil for survivors of domestic violence, and commemorating the many who have died at the hands of close relatives in our wider community. Very moving testimony led into a time of silence at a Clocktower lit up in purple.

On Saturday members of Chapter and the Care and Culture team gathered for a Talking Circle led by Michael Wood around the question: "How do we grow a culture which is encouraging, enabling, and supportive of our shared life and ministry." It was a rich day which led into a shared understanding of some of the challenges we face and opportunities we are offered here in the cathedral parish.

Please be prayerful this week about our upcoming synod next weekend, as we welcome members of our wider diocese to their mother church. And for Nancy and the catering team who will be engaging in a mammoth task to feed the 120 odd hungry over the two days. In my absence next Sunday, Meagan Schwartz from ABM will be coming to speak about ABM's focal missions in this 175th year of its operation.

Keren

Sunday 25th May is our next Church lunch.

This time we are having it at The Dock, near the Library and Art Gallery. Sign in sheet in hall foyer.

Wanderers: Star for lunch 16th May at noon.

Cup and Chat at Shirley's Thursday 22nd May 10am

Mission of the Month: Leprosy Mission Australia

'The goal of The Leprosy Mission Australia (TLMA) is to eliminate leprosy in all its forms worldwide. Our mission statement is 'zero transmission, zero disability, zero stigma' by 2035. Since 1913, TLMA Australia has achieved vital and life-saving work across over 25 countries.'

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/>

You can also give through the offertory at church by placing funds in an envelope and marking 'Leprosy Mission'.

Our church catering dates coming up:

May 17/18 (Sat/Sun) SYNOD catering for approx 120 people **We need HELPERS** and slices for afternoon tea on the Saturday. If you can help please talk to Nancy after church or 0417554435

Internet Bank Transfer: Cathedral's ministry and mission

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

Sunday Bulletin / Web/ Facebook contact:

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*and thinking and praying for all
those who are struggling with
today, for whatever reason.*

HELP US TO PREVENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ENSURE THE WELL-BEING OF FAMILIES AND WOMEN IN OUR CHURCHES.

A survey commissioned by the Anglican Church of Australia found that the prevalence of intimate partner violence among Anglicans was the same or higher than the wider Australian community members in the survey.

www.tencommitments.org.au

The hidden nature of domestic violence in our church communities adds to shame and disconnection for victim survivors.



More than 1 in 3 women had been in a violent relationship



More than 1 in 7 men had been in a violent relationship

Women were far more likely to have experienced:

45%

PHYSICAL VIOLENCE

31%

SEXUAL VIOLENCE

33%

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

30%

SPIRITUAL ABUSE

Pepper, M. & Powell, R. (2021) National Anglican Family Violence Project Prevalence Study Report: The prevalence of intimate partner violence among Australians who identify as Anglican. NCLS Research Report for the Anglican Church of Australia. NCLS Research. Table G-1.

People of faith are not immune to domestic violence

Churches have a role in education about domestic violence and an influential platform to do so.

Churches have a role in supporting people impacted by domestic violence, and a caring community in which to provide it.

Churches have a role in supporting our nation as it seeks to undo centuries of disadvantage and prevent violence in one generation.

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FAMILIES & CULTURE COMMISSION

The Anglican Church of Australia has undertaken research and made Ten Commitments to prevent and to respond to domestic and family violence (DFV) affecting people in church communities.

You can help us by supporting these strategic programs:

- **Communities that Care Program:** Train thousands of members in our faith settings to be effective in providing relief through practical assistance and pastoral care of distressed persons impacted by DFV violence in our church communities.
- **"Driving Change" capacity building program for leaders** to relieve suffering and prevent DFV by driving change in their diocese and parish, initiating programs and addressing systemic and cultural drivers of violence.
- **Build men's engagement** and allyship in our churches through grassroots culture change and modelling initiatives.
- **Enhance the capacity of our 23 dioceses and their churches** to respond to those in need in their local community through our Ten Commitments online 'communities of practice', national conference and DV Sunday.
- **Develop training initiatives,** communication campaigns and resources for our churches to benefit those who suffer from domestic and family violence.
- **Lived Experience panel:** listening to those with lived experience of DFV in our church communities so that our programs have the best chance of success in relieving the impact of DFV.
- **Indigenous and CALD initiatives:** Partner with our indigenous and CALD church communities to create intersectional initiatives for indigenous and CALD people suffering from DFV in our churches.



 **ten commitments**

The Lord is My Shepherd

The Lord is my Shepherd – That's Relationship!

I shall not want – That's Supply!

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures – That's Rest!

He leadeth me beside still waters – That's Refreshment!

He restoreth my soul – That's Healing!

He leadeth me in the paths

Of righteousness – That's Guidance!

For His name sake – That's Purpose!

Yea, though I walk through the valley

Of the shadow of death – That's Testing!

I will fear no evil – That's Protection!

For Thou art with me – That's Faithfulness!

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me – That's Discipline!

Thou preparest a table before me

In the presence of mine enemies – That's Hope!

Thou annointest my head with oil – That's Consecration!

My cup runs over – That's Abundance!

Surely goodness and mercy shall

Follow me all the days of my life -That's Blessing!

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord – That's Security!

Forever – That's Eternity!

The Lord is My Shepherd



Psalm 23:1