

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 — 25th May Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday. 6th Sunday of Easter

Sentence of Scripture

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,' says the Lord. 'Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.' *John 14.27*

Prayer of the day

Great and loving God,
your will for us in your Son Jesus
is the peace which the world cannot give,
your abiding gift, the Advocate he promised.
Calm all troubled hearts, dispel every fear,
and keep us steadfast in love
and faithful to your word.
Grant this through Jesus Christ,
the firstborn from the dead,
who lives with you now and always
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
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

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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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 to the Apostles

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us. Acts 16.9-15

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

Psalm 67

Let God be gracious to us and bless us:
and make his face shine upon us,
That your ways may be known on earth:
your liberating power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God:
let all the peoples praise you.
Let the nations be glad and sing:
for you judge the peoples with integrity,
and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God:
let all the peoples praise you.
Then the earth will yield its fruitfulness:
and God, our God, will bless us.
God shall bless us:

A Reading from Book of Revelation

and all the ends of the earth will fear him.

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign Revelation 21.10-14,21.22 - 22.5 for ever and ever.

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.

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

John 14.23-29

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

Reflection

St Luke tells us of St Paul's Macedonian vision in today's epistle reading. Paul goes to the city of Philippi in Macedonia to 'come over and help'. There he witnesses a believer, a merchant called Lydia and her household being baptised. Paul had little interest in sacramental ministry – his priorities being preaching and establishing communities of believers who would then be baptised by others.

- Lord, help me to help others when asked, as St Paul did, and to encourage those who have not been baptised to consider it for themselves and their families.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of South India Text: Robert McLean © Anglican Board of Mission, 2025



Dean's Desk

Huge thanks are due to the catering team plus all others who helped with the catering and other preparations for synod last week. What a mammoth task! Thanks to our catering coordinator Nancy and those who helped to set up and serve food, to those who baked and cooked and souped, to those who were present to make the synod service on Friday night zing... So many thanks. It's so important and such a wonderful ministry we are able to offer our diocese as the mother church, that when people walk through the doors they immediately feel a sense of homecoming and welcome which reflects God's own welcome to us.

Synod itself was a positive experience this year; all motions passed, with some interesting and unexpected dialogue. Apart from the procedural motions (accepting reports, passing budgets etc), there were motions about: the environment, women's ministry (next year is 30 years since we ordained the first woman as priest in this diocese), removing the age limitation for clergy, congratulating ABM on 175 years, a Hope 2 motion, developing a communications policy, and insurance for voluntary workers. On Sunday morning the eucharist at Garnsey was led ably by Aunty Phyllis and Kathy Dalton, and Glenn Loughrey, Provincial Archdeacon for Reconciliation and Treaty preached (as he will tonight at Evensong). After the service we had a panel on ministry with First Nations peoples, around how we chart a way forward together.

Year 5 from St Anne's campus of Gippsland Grammar visited on Monday, and the Care and Culture team met. A reminder that after Sunday services today there will be a short training session for welcomers run by Kathy and Kaye.

Next Saturday I'll be offering a refresher for our liturgical assistants at 10:30am. It's a good opportunity to touch in to ensure we're all on the same page with what we do up the front in church.

And lastly: I realise with the frantic prep in the lead up to synod there hasn't been a lot of advertising for **Evensong tonight at 5pm**. Tonight's Evensong will be observing Reconciliation Week, and as I mentioned, Uncle Glenn will be preaching. Do come along to enjoy this beautiful reflective service which is such a gem in our Anglican tradition!

Keren



Synod Reps
Jan and Michael
Down and Dean
Keren at
Synod last weekend

Sunday 25th May is our next Church lunch.

TODAY we are having it at The Dock, near the Library and Art Gallery.

Starting on 1st June at 2.30pm, the Sale and Avon parishes will be offering a **series of Evangelism Workshops, "Faith Shared"** at Stratford.

Faith Shared is six sessions long, designed around ideas that are easily applicable to the everyday lives of Christians and churches. It explores what evangelism is; how we and our churches can engage in evangelism and outreach well, and how we can make sure Jesus is at the center of what we do. Each session lasts about an hour.

Wanderers: Lunch at Lakeside Friday 30th at noon Cup and Chat at Shirley's Thursday 5th June 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 lifesaving 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'.

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

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Bulletin Bloopers

- ~ This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.
- ~ Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 pm.--prayer and medication to follow.
- ~ Weight Watchers will meet at 7 p.m. Please use the large double door at the side entrance.
- ~ The 1997 Spring Council Retreat will be hell May 10 and 11.
- ~ Pastor is on vacation. Massages can be given to the church secretary.
- ~ The eighth graders will be presenting Shakespeare's "Hamlet" in the church basement on Friday at 7 pm. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.



NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

Bridging Now to Next

27 MAY — 3 JUNE | #NRW2025
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The National Reconciliation Week (NRW) 2025 theme, *Bridging Now to Next*, reflects the ongoing connection between past, present and future. *Bridging Now to Next* calls on all Australians to step forward together, to look ahead and continue the push forward as past lessons guide us.

In the #NRW2025 theme artwork created by Kalkadoon woman **Bree Buttenshaw**, native plants – which are known for regenerating after fire and thriving through adversity – symbolise our collective strength and the possibilities of renewal. This is a time for growth, reflection, and commitment to walking together.

Australia's history of reconciliation is not a linear one, we have made great strides and experienced disappointing setbacks.

Twenty-five years ago, **Corroboree 2000** brought together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous leaders in a historic call for reconciliation.

We continue that work in 2025, inviting all Australians to join us in *Bridging Now to Next* – building a more united and respectful nation.

A prayer for Reconciliation

Lord God, bring us together as one, reconciled with you and reconciled with each other.

You made us in your likeness, you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ.

He has given us forgiveness from sin.

Lord God, bring us together as one, different in culture, but given new life in Jesus Christ, together as your body, your Church, your people.

Lord God, bring us together as one, reconciled, healed, forgiven, sharing you with others as you have called us to do.

In Jesus Christ, let us be together as one. Amen.



'FAITH SHARED' AN EVANGELISM COURSE

Sale and Avon Parishes

Every Sunday afternoon at 2.30pm for 6 weeks Starting 1st June At Holy Trinity, Stratford



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