



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 –
Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday.

27th May 2018
Trinity

Sunday Bulletin

Hymn 8am TiS 454 Worship the lord

10am TiS 631(T 153) Father Lord of all creation

Sentence from Scripture

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.

Isaiah 6.3

Prayer of the Day

O blessed Trinity,

in whom we know the Maker of all things,

seen and unseen,

the Saviour of all, both near and far:

by your Spirit enable us so to worship your divine majesty,

that with all the company of heaven

we may magnify your glorious name,

saying, Holy, holy, holy.

Glory to you, O Lord most high.

Amen.

Holy Communion Services at St Paul's:

Sundays - 8.00am and 10.00am (*including Sunday Club for primary aged children*)

Wednesdays – 10.00am in the Lady Chapel

Sunday **Healing Eucharist**

1st Sunday of the month at 5.00 pm

Evenings **Q&A**

2nd Sunday of the month 3.30pm to 5pm

Messy Church

3rd Sunday of the month at 4.00 pm

Contemplative Service

Last Sunday of the month at 5.00pm **TODAY**

Out Centre Services:

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

St Alban's Kilmany 11.00am *3rd Sunday of the month*

St Mark's Loch Sport 2.30pm *2nd and 4th Sundays of the month* **TODAY**

Hon. Priest: Rev'd Nikolai Blaskow 0428 167 724 nikolai@nikolaiblaskow.com

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Cathedral Organist: Anthony Hahn 0437 569 608

Prayer for St Paul's

Come Holy Spirit breathe through us:

Enable us to know and make known the connection between You and the everyday.

Help us to be relevant and approachable to the community, to engage inclusively with them and each other, and to stay connected with you.

Enable us to show Christ's unconditional love in action.

This we ask in Jesus name, Amen.

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple.

Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.

And one called to another and said:
'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.

The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!' *Isaiah 6.1-8*

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

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven:

ascribe to the Lord glory and might.

Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name:

O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters:

the God of glory thunders,

the Lord upon the great waters.

The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation:

the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar-trees:

the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes them skip like a calf:

Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord divides the lightning-flash:

the voice of the Lord whirls the sands of the desert,

the Lord whirls the desert of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord rends the terebinth trees,

and strips bare the forests:

in his temple all cry ‘Glory.’

The Lord sits enthroned above the water-flood:

the Lord sits enthroned as a king for ever.

The Lord will give strength to his people:

the Lord will give to his people the blessing of peace.

A Reading from The Letter to the Romans

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. *Romans 8.12-17*

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

Gospel Hymn 8am TiS 449 Stand up and bless the Lord
10am TiS 132 Holy Holy Holy

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.’ Jesus answered him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.’ Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?’ Jesus answered, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, “You must be born from above.” The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.’ Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can these things be?’ Jesus answered him, ‘Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ‘Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

John 3.1-17

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

Offertory Hymn 8am TiS 658 I, the Lord of sea and sky
10am TiS 147 To God be the glory

Final Hymn 10am TiS 210 O for a thousand tongues

Prayers:

- For missionaries/agencies: ABM, CMS, BCA, Rich & Julie, 123 Project
- Bishop Elect Richard, Leanne, Rachel and Nicholas.
- Administrator Philip Muston
- For the Diocese of Gippsland, Bishop in Council and the Registry Staff, Brian, Kerrie, Annette, Sue and David
- For Dean Susanna Pain and Rev'd Nikolai Blaskow
- For the Ministry of Anglicare within the Diocese of Gippsland and Cathrine Muston, Community Development Officer
- For *mainly music* and Tadpole Playgroup leaders and all who attend

For those in special need: Judy T Andrew G, Heather C, Henry, Xavier & Matthew K, Leanne, Loz, Libby, Guy M. For those who mourn.

Cathedral Prayer Chain Requests

Please contact Naomi McDonald 5144 5922 Kerrie Smith 51456783

The prayer chain is for anyone in need of prayer

From Honorary Priest Nikolai

‘Your hands are soaking in it...’

When human beings confront *the idea* of the Trinity they have difficulties. A person of Jewish and Islamic persuasion would think this was close to if not blasphemy—as God can only be ONE. A Hindu would be more comfortable perhaps, thinking this was a God very much like the many manifestations of the one God in their faith. The ancient Greeks would have been intrigued that there were only three gods and that the Christian ‘gods’ were actually reasonable, and not capricious like their ‘gods’ with their unpredictability and emotional instability. An atheistic rationalist, of course, would, in the first place, think the idea of a God so much nonsense, and in the second place would consider three persons in the guise of one god, sheer folly. Yet Christians declare their faith in such a God from week to week in the Apostle’s and the Nicene creeds, and in this morning’s Gospel reading. Are we being irrational, are we infidels and blasphemers when we do so?

From the beginning the early Christian Jews struggled with such a bold and revolutionary notion as even the very idea contradicted their Judaism and they too probably thought that they were walking on a knife edge between orthodoxy and apostasy. In John’s Gospel, for example, we see John

working out *his* theology...Father, Son and Holy Spirit as—*God, Spirit and Son*. Drawing on Torah thinking, *Spirit* is the life-force creating and sustaining life—all of LIFE an integral part of the material world, and yet spirit, spiritual: water and *Spirit*. Like the wind: you can hear it, you can feel it against your cheeks, tousling your hair—but you can't see it. But unlike the wind *Spirit* is Person, as John points later in his Gospel when he speaks of the *Parakletos, Christ's Spirit* coming alongside to advise, to defend and befriend us. And all along Jesus' life and ministry he is endorsed by the 'Father's' imprimatur: 'This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased.'

As you will hear this morning, the Trinity is not fancy theological footwork. 'Our hands are soaking in it'—a metaphor borrowed from that old 60s, 70s and 80s Palmolive TV advert that reassured its viewers with clinical certainty that *this* dishwashing liquid wasn't harsh on your hands, because there you were with your hands soaking in it and you thought it was a hand cream! LOL

A slender connection I know with our meditation, but true nevertheless.

Richard Rohr, the Franciscan rightly divides the word of truth when he draws on three wonderful mystics to make the point. Long ago, he writes, St. Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179), named a Doctor of the Church in 2012, communicated creation spirituality through music, art, poetry, medicine, gardening, and reflections on nature. She notes in her famous book, *Scivias*:

You understand so little of what is around you because you do not use what is within you.

nature was a mirror for the soul and for God. This mirroring changes how we see and experience reality.

Later, Bonaventure (1217-1274) observed that: "In the soul's journey to God we must present to ourselves the whole material world as the first mirror through which we may pass over to the Supreme [Artisan]." And finally, the Dominican Meister Eckhart (1260-1327) said the same: "If humankind could have known God without the world, God would never have created the world." Nature is not a mere scenic backdrop so humans can take over the stage. Creation is in fact a full participant in human transformation, since the outer world is absolutely needed to mirror the true inner world.

There are not just two sacraments, or even seven; the whole world is a sacrament: our hands, our whole selves, all of life—the entire creation is ‘soaking in it’.

Nikolai

Offertory

Regular giving is what the Cathedral relies on to provide for ministry and to pay the bills. We appreciate your generosity.

The Cathedral Chapter is charged by Parishioners with finding the resources to ensure the Cathedral is a wonderful place for both worship and ministry, paid and unpaid. We need a regular income to help us plan. More than half of the offertory currently is provided by the envelope system. This is a form of regular giving, however if you are away from home for any reason it is probable that your envelope is delayed or may be missed.

A simple way of giving to support the work of the Church, whether you are there on a Sunday or not, is through direct debit transfers through your bank or financial institution. There are very straight forward arrangements which can be put in place by instructions over the counter at your bank (completing a form) or through on line banking arrangements. There is steady adoption of this system by many parishioners. Nearly one third of offertory comes by Direct Transfer.

This really assists the Chapter to ensure that accounts can be paid regularly and on time. Can you help by moving to direct bank transfer? If you have any questions about options for regular giving ask a member of Chapter, the treasurer, or Susanna, or contact your Bank.

If you are reluctant to separate your giving from the actual service time, one possible compromise is to split your giving between envelope and direct debit.

For managing the church’s finances direct debit/ electronic funds transfers enable a much smoother flow. We ask you to seriously pray about this and to see if you can help in this way.

Thank you for considering this invitation.

Susanna and Chapter

News and Events

Thank you to all who have helped cater, set up, pack up etc for the concert and Trivia Night. Approximately \$1000 was made from the Pentecost Dinner. If people would like to help cater for the afternoon tea following the concert next Sunday afternoon, see list. Purchase tickets for this at the door. Our **Friends of the Cathedral meeting** is on next Sunday at 1pm . If you would like to become a '**Friend of the cathedral**' membership registration forms are on the side table.

This is followed by the Melbourne based **Affinity String Quartet Concert at 2.30pm Sunday 3rd June**, followed by afternoon tea. Not to be missed as those who were there last year will attest.

Then on 16th June we are again having the **Soiree of Music and Poetry** on Saturday 2pm

We plan to have a picnic at Loch Sport on 24th June at noon followed by a service. All are invited.

Please join us and bring your friends to these opportunities to experience this cathedral precinct in all its prayerfulness, community, and fun!

Get the word out, personal invitation is always the best advertising!

Messy Church Training Day is fast approaching - Saturday June 2nd at the Centre for Theology and Ministry in Parkville! It promises to be a great day with a number of interactive experiences, the chance to meet others involved in messy churches around Victoria and electives that will inspire and encourage us. If you are interested in finding out about Messy Church and would like to join others on the Messy Church team for the day, ***we have a few spare seats available on the bus.*** Ring Marg on 0411 748 656 for details about registering.

We have been advised that anyone working in **Aged Care** as a volunteer, or being a volunteer **Meals on Wheels** driver or helper **must have a Police Check less than 3 years old**. Please see, or email Christine for the computer link to complete this check which doesn't cost you anything. (this is a special one for the Anglican Diocese) We are also able to help you complete these forms at the office. Mark can help you on a Tuesday or Thursday until June 14th – however ring the office on 51442020 to check first, and have your 100 points of ID ready!

Anyone who works in Children's Ministry also needs to complete a police check, however this only needs to be done once.

Mission Helpers next meeting will be on Monday 28th May at 1.30pm in the Community Room of Delbridge Hall.

mainly music **urgently needs more helpers.** They meet on Thursdays at 9.30am. Also, if anyone would like to provide morning tea at it every now and then, please see Christine.

We need more helpers for 10am Morning teas, especially on the first Sunday of the month. See Christine.

As we no longer have 'John', **we need people willing to clean the toilets**, wash the hall/toilets floors, and remove cobwebs, on either regularly or 'one off'. If you know anyone over 55 who is looking for work and need to volunteer, or happy to help in the short term (hopefully!) please let Christine know. Thank you to Robert Tatterson our weekly cathedral vacuumer, and others who help clean the cathedral.

St Paul's Men's Breakfast Group:

We will meet at the Triple F Cafe for our **June** (Saturday June 9th) meeting. For our July (Saturday July 14th) meeting we will travel to the "**Lakeside Antique Machinery Museum**" at 1007 Tinamba / Glenmaggie Road Glenmaggie. We will meet at Delbridge Hall at 8.00am. From there we will travel to Maffra for breakfast at Cafe L'Attitude. Following breakfast we will proceed to the Museum. The Museum display includes steam engines, combustion engines, chainsaws, dragsaws, tractors and other farm machinery engines, all in working condition.

Books are being collected for our next **Book fair 7-15 July.**

Tell your friends!

The St Paul's Men's Breakfast Group "**Garage Sale**" is on **Saturday October 6th**. Now is the time to start sorting, *but PLEASE keep until after the Book fair.*

VOLUNTEER ROSTERS for the coming week

Morning Tea: 8am: M Hector & W Lucas **10am:** J Sawers / ?

Flowers: Lyn Ruff

Readings for 3rd June

1st- 1 Samuel 3.1-10 **2nd** – 2 Corinthians 4.5-12 **G** – Mark 2.23-3.6

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Internet Bank Transfer: St Paul's Building Fund

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Cheques made out to Anglican Diocese of Gippsland

Weekly Diary of Church Activities

28th Monday	5.30pm	Intercessory Prayer Meeting
	1.30pm	Mission Helpers Meeting in the Community Room
29th Tuesday	9.30am	Tadpoles Playgroup
30th Wednesday	7.45am	Meditation Group in Lady Chapel <i>'pre' stretching at 7.30</i>
	10.00am	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
31st Thursday	9.30am	<i>mainly music</i>
	5.30pm	Meditation Group in Lady Chapel
1st Friday	<i>Susanna's day 'off'</i>	
	5.00pm	Youth Group
2nd Saturday	Messy Church Training Day in Melbourne	
3rd Sunday	1.00pm	Friends of the Cathedral
	2.30pm	Affinity Quartet Concert

St Paul's Cathedral Sale upcoming events

3 June Friends of the Cathedral Meeting 1pm

3 June Affinity Quartet Concert Sunday 2.30pm

A young Melbourne String group returning by popular demand!
Adults \$20 tickets purchase at the door.

16 June Soiree of Music and Poetry Saturday 2pm

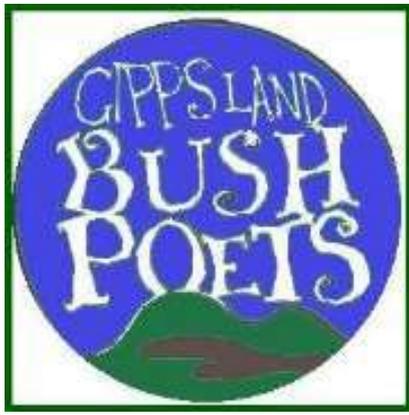
24 June Picnic and service at Loch Sport at noon followed by a service.
All invited.

7-15 July Book Fair

28 July Christmas In July

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St Paul's Cathedral Sale
with the Gippsland Bush Poets,
invite you to join them for:

An Afternoon Soiree of Music and Poetry

Saturday June 16th

2-4pm

Delbridge Hall,

149 Cunninghame Street, SALE.

Featuring:

**Winners of the Don Kneebone Mountain
Cattlemen's Poetry Competition**

The soiree will consist of a program of organised guests and artists, followed by an open mic session where all are welcome to share.

Contact: Dean Susanna Pain - 0418 637 469
GBP Secretary Karena King - 0438 446 488

AFFINITY QUARTET

An Afternoon Concert

St Paul's Cathedral, Sale,

2.30pm Sunday June 3rd

**Followed by meet the artists and
refreshments**

**Tickets \$20 Family \$40 Concessions available,
Purchase tickets at the door**

**St Paul's Cathedral, 149 Cunninghame St, Sale. More
information contact Susanna 0418637469**

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