



# 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.*

**30<sup>th</sup> January 2022**  
**4<sup>th</sup> after Epiphany**

## Sentence from Scripture

Now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. *1 Corinthians 13.14*

### The Prayer of the day

Righteous God,  
you confound the world's wisdom  
by giving your blessing to the lowly and  
pure in heart:  
give us such a hunger and thirst for justice  
and perseverance in striving for peace,  
that in our words and deeds  
the world may see the promise of your  
kingdom,  
which has been revealed in Jesus Christ  
our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### A Prayer for a new Dean

Eternal God, shepherd and guide,  
in your wisdom give to this  
Cathedral parish a pastor after your  
own heart, who will walk in your  
ways, and with loving care watch  
over your people. Give us a leader  
of vision and a teacher of your  
truth, an encourager who will equip  
us for ministry, and enable us to  
fulfil our calling.

Give to those who will choose,  
wisdom, discernment and patience,  
and to us give warm and generous  
hearts, for Jesus' sake. **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**

*Sunday* **Healing Eucharist** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month @ 5pm

*Evenings* **Contemplative Service** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month @ 5pm

### Outcentre Services:

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

**St Alban's Kilmany** 11.00am 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 2.00pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

**St Mark's Loch Sport** 10.30am 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month

*All services are 'open' to all, no size limits.*

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*Cathedral Organist: Anthony Hahn* 0437 569 608

### **Cathedral Prayer Chain Requests**

Please contact Naomi McDonald 5144 5922

**The prayer chain is for anyone in need of prayer**

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

### **A Prayer for Australia**

We bless you, God of the universe, for this land,  
for its contrasts of landscape and climate,  
for its abundance of wealth and opportunity.

We bless you for our history,  
with all its struggles in adversity,  
its courage and hope.

Give us in our diversity tolerance and respect for each other  
and a passionate commitment to justice for all.

Bless us so that we might be a blessing to others.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah**

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,  
'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.'

Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God ! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am  
only a boy.'

But the Lord said to me,  
'Do not say, "I am only a boy";  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the Lord .’

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,

‘Now I have put my words in your mouth.

See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.’ *Jeremiah 1.4-10*

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

### **Psalm 71.1-6**

To you, Lord, have I come for shelter:

**let me never be put to shame.**

In your righteousness rescue and deliver me:

**incline your ear to me and save me.**

Be for me a rock of refuge, a fortress to defend me:

**for you are my high rock, and my stronghold.**

Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked:

**from the grasp of the pitiless and unjust.**

For you, Lord, are my hope:

**you are my confidence, O God, from my youth upward.**

On you have I leaned since my birth:

**you are he that brought me out of my mother’s womb,**

**and my praise is of you continually.**

### **A Reading from The First Letter to the Corinthians**

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in

part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love. *1 Corinthians 13.1-13*

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.**

Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’ All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, ‘Is not this Joseph’s son?’ He said to them, ‘Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “Doctor, cure yourself!” And you will say, “Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.”’ And he said, ‘Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s home town. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.’ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.

But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way. *Luke 4.21-30*

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

*Reflection 4th Sunday after Epiphany – Luke 4:21-30*

The Luke passage for today is a continuation from last week’s Gospel where Luke tells us that Jesus has been welcomed to his home town of Nazareth. He had overcome temptations in the wilderness and now joined family, friends, and townsfolk in the synagogue on a Sabbath evening where he was invited to read and teach from Scripture, principally Isaiah. Jesus proclaimed that “today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing” (v21). Much longed-for promises were to be fulfilled – sight restored, captives released, freedom for the oppressed, the inauguration of

the year of the Lord's favour. How amazing, if not perfect! This is what our 'local lad' will do for us! Welcome home! Luke tells us that all present were amazed at Jesus' gracious words. So why did the atmosphere on that Sabbath evening in Nazareth turn so murderous toward Jesus? Luke tells us that it was when Jesus delved into the essence of God's vision for humanity, quoting Isaiah (61:1-2) and making clear reference to prophets Elijah and Elisha that the mood changed. His words were seen as a direct challenge to their reading of Scripture. The implication or meaning of Jesus' reference to the stories from the two prophets were not lost on the crowd. Elijah was sent to bring relief to a non-Jewish widow, a woman and an outsider and Elisha, to cleanse Naaman, a double outsider, a foreigner and an outcast. It is suggested that the citizens of Jesus home town held the firm belief that God's covenant was exclusively with them, (the covenanted people of Israel) so any hint of a radical inclusiveness, a sharing in the richness of God's salvation beyond the border of the covenanted people, was beyond contemplation. It felt intolerable. How could Divine favour know no boundaries, just as pain, hurt, poverty, exclusion, oppression know no boundaries? A new radical mission was being named and proclaimed. What the passage does is challenge comfort zones in respect of who we believe Jesus to be.

We can finish this reflection with St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (13:1-13) that in Jesus we will know a love so extravagant, so lavish, so overflowing and plentiful that we give it away, freely and joyously.

*Liam Matthews*

*Locum Acting Dean*

### ***An Awesome Achievement.***

It is with great pride that our Cathedral acknowledges and congratulates Lay Canon Christine Morris who, in the Australia Day honours list, was awarded an 'Order of Australia Medal'. Christine received her OAM for her many, many years of dedicated service to the community and the church.

Well done Christine and thank you.

**From Wednesday, all usual Sunday and weekday services recommence.**

**The St Paul's Men's Breakfast Group** will hold their February meeting in Delbridge Hall on February 12 at 8.00am. All men welcome!

Our guest speaker is the Rev Lyn Williams.

**Reverend Florence Li Tim-Oi (1907-1994)**

On the 26th of January we observed the feast day of the of Rev., Florence Li Tim-Oi , who was ordained on the 25 January 1944. Rev Florence was the first woman to be ordained a priest in the Anglican Communion.

Thirty years later in 1971 the diocese and Province of Hong Kong (Florence's home diocese) became the first province of the Anglican communion to officially ordain women as priest. Still today some Provinces and Dioceses do not allow women to be ordained as priest. The diocese of Gippsland and this cathedral church has been and still is richly blessed by the 'Spiritual Daughters' of Florence Li Tim-Oi. We give thanks for the ministry of all ordained women within our church, inspired by Florence's example. Florence Li Tim-Oi (priest) may you rest in peace, faithful servant of our God.

***Gathering together in worship.***

Understandable concern has arisen across the Diocese regarding 'safe' church worship given the alarming rise in Covid-19 infections. The Lay Canons of the Cathedral and myself, your Acting Dean remain committed to live-streaming our Sunday Eucharist, maintaining the Covid-safe social distancing, wearing masks and signing in upon arrival for the service.

ALL are still welcome to attend all services. However please stay home if unwell.

If you would like to receive the sacrament at home, then please contact the named individuals below so we can carefully arrange, on a rotational basis, to bring you Holy Communion.

CONTACT; Acting Dean Rev Liam Matthews      0411 339 344  
Lay Canon                      Kaye Harrington      0400 720 417

## 2021 Church Life survey

On Sunday February the 6<sup>th</sup> at the 8 am and 10 am services in the Cathedral, in place of the sermon, I will introduce the **Church Life Survey 2021**. Time will then be given for each of you to fill it in. This is a survey we complete every five years.

The **Church Life Survey** will run until February the 21<sup>st</sup> Parishioners who attend on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> February will need to complete the survey following the service and hand in their completed copy.

Parishioners who attend a mid-week eucharist service will be asked to complete the **Church Life Survey** before leaving the church.

Parishioners at St Alban's Kilmany, St Mark's Loch Sport and St Anne's Golden Beach who meet fortnightly will, during your rostered Sunday service, be asked to complete **Church Life Survey** this could take place after the service or in place of the sermon.

Parishioners who attend the service 'ON LINE', **OR** due to concern about Covid-19 are not at this time, attending any of our services, can request a copy of the **Church Life Survey** from the Co-ordinator of the programme, Christine Morris, or one of the Ministers associated with an out-centre.

**Alternatively** - there is the opportunity to fill in the Survey online. Please go to:  
**[attendersurvey.ncls.org.au](http://attendersurvey.ncls.org.au)**

**REMEMBER**- you must write in the correct CODE of your location.

These are:

ANV01001	Sale Anglican Cathedral SALE
ANV01002	St Alban KILMANY
ANV01004	St Marks LOCH SPORT
ANV01005	St Anne's Golden Beach

**Leaders Survey:** Could all ordained Clergy and Lay Readers, fill in the **leader's survey** only.

**NB** The organizers, have requested that all **leader's surveys** be completed online at **[leadersurvey.ncls.org.au](http://leadersurvey.ncls.org.au)**

We do have a **small** number of leader surveys for those who do not use the internet. Please obtain a copy from Christine.

*Rev Liam Matthews Locum acting dean*

The new **blinds, awnings and shelving** are installed in the Emergency Food Room, paid for with a grant from Anglicare Parish Partnerships. Rev Liam became an expert shelf assembler, Robert T vacuumed the floor, and we were able to give some of our overflow of food to other agencies, which they were very thankful for.

Win News even filmed the room looking it's best!

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=961896261378791&ref=sharing>

We also paid for new awnings and blinds in the Office and Dean's office.



**Meditation is on** Monday to Friday on line and in person in the cathedral on Mondays at 4.15pm

**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>

**Internet Bank Transfer: Cathedral's ministry and mission**

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

**Internet Bank Transfer: St Paul's Building Fund ('Fill the gap')**

BSB 705 077 Acc no: 000 409 69 NO reference needed

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