

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.

13th October 2024 140th Celebrations

Celebrating 140 years of worship at this building



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 mhtoms@westnet.com.au

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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 First Book of Kings

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, 'O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, "There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me." Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

'But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, "My name shall be there", that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive.

1 Kings 8:22-30

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they said to me:

'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'

2 And now our feet are standing:

within your gates, O Jerusalem;

3 Jerusalem which is built as a city:

where the pilgrims gather in unity.

4 There the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord:

as he commanded Israel,

to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

5 There are set thrones of judgement:

the thrones of the house of David.

6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

may those who love you prosper.

7 Peace be within your walls:

and prosperity in your palaces.

8 For the sake of my kindred and companions:

I will pray that peace be with you.

9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God:

I will seek for your good.

A reading from the First letter of Peter

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

'The stone that the builders rejected

has become the very head of the corner', and

'A stone that makes them stumble,

and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Once you were not a people,

but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy,

but now you have received mercy. 1 Peter 2:4-10

For the word of the Lord thanks be to God.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew, chapter 7, beginning at verse 24

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

'Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!'

Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

Matthew 7:24-29

For the Gospel of the Lord, praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Dean's 140th Note

Here we are, 140 years on from the time the cathedral was built. We celebrate today God's goodness to the community of Jesus-followers gathered here at St Paul's through those years, and we give thanks for all those who have built, stewarded and maintained the building, and those who have cared for and shepherded the people here. To those who have managed to be part of the celebratory service: thank you! To those who are joining us online: wouldn't that have been not even imaginable 140 years ago!

I want to offer a special thanks to those who have prepared the service today, those who are helping to make lunch and feed us, to Bishop Richard for being here to lead us, to our visiting organist Mark and to our vocal scholars Jess and Caroline for gracing our ears with beautiful music, to our Chapter for presenting symbols of ministry... And thanks too to those who made the building and grounds tidy and looking well-loved over the last few weeks, our faithful garden crew.

Lastly, may we all give thanks to God for the gift this building has been in the community of Sale and to us, mindful of all the baptisms, weddings, and funerals it's hosted over the years, and the many people who have found God, found joy, and found their truest, deepest selves renewed through ministry here. May we continue for the next 140 years to be faithful in prayer, in the making of disciples, and in following Jesus as a light in the wider Sale community.

Keren

Dean's leave

Keren will be on annual leave from Wednesday 16th October until 5th November. In that time, please contact Kate or Heather in the event of urgent pastoral need.

From Chapter for the 140th

Members of Chapter were invited to scribe a few thoughts about their experience as serving on Chapter.

I had come to view being on St Paul's Cathedral Chapter as an extension to my faith journey, from living in Lakes Entrance and being on Council at St. Nicholas Anglican Church. My move to Sale was to be an extension of and further personal growth within the Anglican Communion, and my Christian journey.

Whilst times and circumstances have changed, I still firmly believe Chapter to be a vital and necessary part of our Christian environment and would encourage and urge people's involvement.

Nick Nagy

Bringing my experience and skills to the table to help our faith community consolidate and grow in an increasingly complex world.

Kevin Cameron

It has been a pleasure being part of a team watching over the Cathedral. Seeing the restorations and upgrades that have occurred so far.

Nancy Schmack

It is a privilege serve as a custodian and to hand on the Parish in as good as or better order than it was before serving on Chapter.

Iain Nicolson

Being on Chapter for a time helped me to understand what goes on behind the scenes to keep the church running (so much invisible work!). Being a Synod rep is something I really enjoy, as it is great to meet with people from all over the Diocese – a diverse but harmonious bunch of dedicated, faithful Christians so committed to serving God and their communities. I also enjoy the Synod debates as we nut out all sorts of questions as a Diocese.

Jan Down

It is a privilege to be on Chapter and to be part of a team that guides the modern church spiritually and into the future looking after the people in the congregation and community as well as the structures.

Kaye Harrington

It has been a learning experience for me, given me an insight into church administration and what goes on behind the scenes. Good experience *Steph Broughton* (not in printed version)

As the current longest serving Chapter member, I am now the only person who has actually attended Chapter meetings in Chapter House- (Now officially the Registry Office). During my time on chapter, we have made so many changes in the precinct,

as well as worked through changes and challenges in ministry, especially during Covid. I give thanks for all those in leadership over the 140 years, and pray we will continue to remember that 'we don't know what the future holds, but we know who holds the future'. I totally agree with the 1954 comment in bold. (Below) *Christine Morris OAM*

Interesting facts from Reports / History books over the years

It is the Jubilee (50 years) of our Church. Some amongst us remember the opening in 1884, and the visit of the great Bishop Moorhouse, then Bishop of Melbourne. They and their successors worked on faithfully till the debt was extinguished and the Church consecrated. They have watched it grow from a Parish Church first, as a Pro-Cathedral- when- the- diocese was formed in 1901, then as a Cathedral proper in 1919 with the passing of the Cathedral Act by the Synod of the Diocese. Now we have lived to see it a very beautiful little country Cathedral well appointed and furnished, with the services rendered with simple reverent ceremonial and assisted by a high standard of music second to none outside the great city Churches. The parish has been honoured in being chosen as the See town of the diocese, and has endeavoured to live up to its privileges. It has entertained the Clergy and notable visitors with lavish hospitality over a number of years, and in its services, methods and equipment has set a high standard for the diocese to follow.

The **Sunday School** numbers just upon 300 children with a staff of four and twenty teachers. It is very much to be regretted that so few take an interest in the Sunday School work. Churchmen seem to forget that the churchmen of the future are the children of the present. How important then is the work, and how needful that all who can should help.

R J Cherry Hon. Treasurer and Sec. Report of the Guardians for 1885

The Young People's work went on happily through the year. The Sunday School should be better attended, but Parents are very careless these days. We thank the teachers for their self denying labours.

Within the Church, the work has gone on happily. The services are of a very high order. The congregations have been very good, although we have a percentage of "Spasmodic worshipers." These are the people who come for a while, then have a long break, and suddenly turn up again. They seem to try and emulate the weather, which is not very reliable, and cannot be depended upon. **1931**

The Clergy had their difficulties in those early days. One Incumbent refused to hand over the Church records, and at a meeting of the Guardians, it was decided to take legal action against him. An Assistant Priest was indicted to the Bishop of Melbourne because of the language he used in one of his sermons. Much as we

would like to know it, unfortunately there is no record of the offending words, and we simply have to use our imagination.

Minutes from 1851 onwards reveal the fact that Vergers were appointed and dismissed at regular intervals. The complaint against one Verger was that he allowed his horse to tramp over the lawns of the Church.

So we finish this short history of the Parish of Sale. Much has been omitted and we should like to comment more fully on events and personalities through the **80 years that lie behind**. There have been many faithful workers, but if not recorded there, their names are written in the Great Book. They have done their duty faithfully and they have their reward. Let us remember with gratitude the work of the pioneers who laid the foundation, and may we of this generation carry forward the work with even greater devotion, in thankfulness to God for all that the past has given us, and in dependence upon Him in all the service of the future. May God bless us all and make us faithful in our life, and work, and witness to our Lord.

TO look back over a **hundred years of history** is indeed a tonic, for one has the chance of seeing men and women much like we are ourselves, faced with the any difficulties and successes of life sharing in the development and opening up of Gippsland. But more than that we have the chance of assessing those things which counted for real value in their life. No one can turn to the story, of the Anglican Church in Sale and Gippsland without the feeling of real pride in the Anglican tradition in the Australian scene. There was the spirit of adventure and high romance as well as a living faith in God expressed in that early Church life. Religion did count and wherever men and women went in the pursuit of their several avocations, the ministry of the Church went with them. It was so in the case of Sale.

1954 However, in these brief surveys we are prone to lose sight of the important factor in all Church life, viz., the men and women who really make up the life of the Church. Looking back over the past century we must thank God for the vision, and the faith of those men and women who found a spiritual home in St. Paul's. They gave freely of their time and substance, and they set us an example of Christian living and devotion. For all this we must express our thanks to God. Thanks which are merely expressed do not go very deep. Actions do speak louder than words.

We have entered into a grand heritage. Surely it is our responsibility to see that as we say; thanks to the past generations of worshippers, we also create and build a worthy tradition and witness for those who will come after us. Therein is real thanks.

As we move out into the future, with plans for enlarging and beautifying the Cathedral, (*FYI*, this never happened), of witnessing sincerely to the Christ, with our eyes turned towards the Eternal light and our hearts aflame with the Divine Love, let us pray

May the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us, may he prosper the work of our hands upon us, and crown our lives with the beauty of his glory. Amen.

Former Dean (1978 – 1985) Archdeacon Emeritus Edward (Ted) Gibson, OAM Funeral Service is on line via https://www.stephenbaggs.com.au/

If you receive an email OR TEXT from REV Keren, check the email address, as more SPAM emails asking you to do a job for her are doing the rounds again.

The **CWCI** Sale Committee and Gippsland KYB Groups invite ladies to hear a speaker followed by morning tea on Saturday October 26th at 10.15am Sale Baptist Church. Jenny will be speaking on 'For such a time as this' Contact Trish Broadbear 0418 104 840. See pamphlet for more info.

Wanderers: Wanderers lunch at Maffra Sports Club Friday 18th Oct at 12 noon. Everyone welcome. If needing a lift ring Jan on 0421 605 461

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 life-changing gospel message of Jesus to rural, regional, and remote Australia.

Our own Jude and Andy Benton minister 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 https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au/ and click on the Give button.

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