



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."*

**28th January 2023
Epiphany 4**

Sentence of Scripture

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. *Matthew 9.35*

Prayer of the Day

God of compassion,
you have shown us in Christ
that your love is never ending:

enable us both to love you with all our heart
and to love one another as Christ loved us.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Florence Li Tim-Oi, Priest

Almighty God, who pours out
your Spirit upon your sons and
daughters: Grant that we, following
the example of your servant
Florence Li Tim-Oi, chosen priest in
your church, may with faithfulness,
patience, and tenacity proclaim your
holy gospel to all the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory
everlasting. **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**

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 during certain holidays*

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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Cathedral Prayer Chain Requests

Please contact Trish Broadbear 0418 104 840

The prayer chain is for anyone in need of prayer

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.

Please pray for our supported student Moses Baiduduga at Newton College PNG.

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.'

Deuteronomy 18.15-20

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

O praise the Lord. I will praise the Lord
with my whole heart:

**in the company of the upright
and among the congregation.**

The works of the Lord are great:

and studied by all who take delight in them.

His deeds are majestic and glorious:

and his righteousness stands for ever.

His marvellous acts have won him a name
to be remembered:

the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He gives food to those that fear him:

he remembers his covenant for ever.

He showed his people the power of his acts:

in giving them the heritage of the heathen.

The works of his hands are faithful and just:

and all his commandments are sure;

They stand firm for ever and ever:

they are done in faithfulness and in truth.

He sent redemption to his people,

he ordained his covenant for ever:

holy is his name and worthy to be feared.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
and of good understanding are those

that keep his commandments:

his praise shall endure for ever.

A Reading from The First Letter to the Corinthians

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that ‘all of us possess knowledge.’ Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that ‘no idol in the world really exists’, and that ‘there is no God but one.’ Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ‘Food will not bring us close to God.’ We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does

not somehow become a stumbling-block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall. *1 Corinthians 8.1-13*
Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, ‘What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.’ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, ‘Be silent, and come out of him!’ And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, ‘What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.’ At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee. *Mark 1.21-28*

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

Reflection:

As we follow Jesus, we go with him to the synagogue to hear his teaching as he reveals wisdom and authority. We see Jesus answer cries to be made whole as unclean spirits depart obeying the Holy One of God. We walk with Jesus and continue to grow in knowledge that we may speak the words of God.

- God, your works are great and glorious, raise me up to proclaim your name.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in South Sudan.

Text: Fr Matthew Smedley, Diocese of Perth
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Morning prayer

From Friday 2nd February, join Dean Keren in the Cathedral for Morning Prayer at 9am. We'll pray for our parish and diocese, and any other concerns pray-ers may have!

January Mission of the Month

Three local state primary schools are seeking donations for their Breakfast Clubs. They need non-perishable items such as long-life milk, tinned fruit, muesli bars, cereals (NO MORE WEETBIX PLEASE – other cereals such as cornflakes appreciated!) and donations for supermarket vouchers. Labelled envelopes are available. We are STILL collecting items. Thank you!


21 + 28 Jan 2024

Supporting our Diocesan Vision 2021-2024

NEWS FOR THE PEWS

The Gippsland Anglican
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This year, we celebrate the 120th anniversary of our flagship publication, The Gippsland Anglican (TGA). This is a monumental achievement by all Parishes and people of Gippsland from the earliest days of our Diocese to now. It's an achievement we can all be proud of.

We invite you to support our shared TGA ministry through Letters to the Editor and articles. We warmly welcome your subscriptions and donations.

We are happy to share with you the celebration masthead that will be used throughout 2024.

Ask your TGA Rep or Rector about contributing.

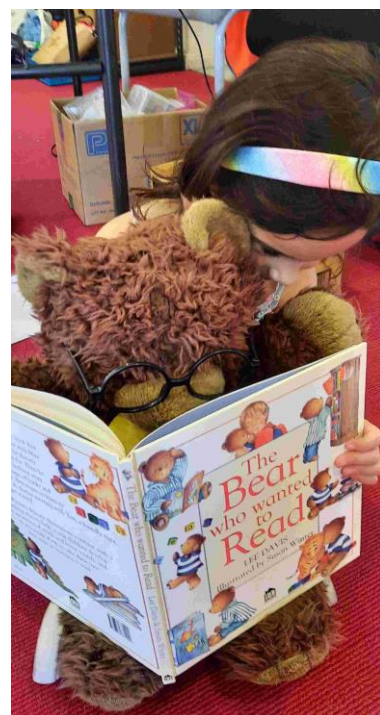


GIANT BOOK FAIR 2024

Again, many thanks to the AMAZING group of volunteers who have been slaving away again this past week.

We managed to pack and remove all books in the main area and all tables on the one day, due to the hard working people who turned up on the very hot Wednesday. To those who returned during the rest of the week to (nearly) complete the job, as well as sort and clean other areas, do tip and/or Op Shop runs, extra thanks! The \$ results will be announced this morning, but the most important results are already in, according to those who came and those who helped.. it was the BEST ONE EVER!!

I am humbled by the generosity of energy and time given to make this a success, and so grateful to all who helped in any way. I am also so very proud of the way you all treated everyone who came with respect and love, including soft toys and animals! *Christine*



The raffle is being drawn TODAY following the service.

First prize, \$200 in gift vouchers. \$1 a ticket.

We need just a few more to be sold to break a record!



The Abbey's first Hush Quiet Day for 2024 will be held on Thursday 8th February 2024.

Cath will be presenting on the topic of the Celtic Wheel of the year, bringing insights into how to live in balance with the seasons and cycles of both the turning globe and the liturgical year.

10.00am – 3.00pm. Donation - \$20 BYO lunch and journal.

Morning and afternoon tea provided. **Please RSVP ASAP 5156 6580**

info@theabbey.org.au

Aboriginal Sunday 2024

It was started by Aboriginal Leaders including William Cooper, in 1938.

Aboriginal Ministry supports First Nations people in Gippsland through pastoral and material care. More broadly, the ministry supports all people through Reconciliation activities. The ministry relies on fundraising and donations to operate effectively and sustainably.

In 2023, Gippsland Anglicans gave generously to Aboriginal Ministry, gifting over \$20,000. Our annual fundraising target is \$100,000. We are blessed and enriched by the work of proud Minang and Wotjobaluk woman, Rev'd Canon Aunty Phyllis Andy and proud Taungurong and GunaiKurnai woman, Rev'd Kathy Dalton serving the approximately 5,000 First Nations people in Gippsland. The ministry is available to all 30 parishes of Gippsland and is complex in its engagement with diverse communities and places.

Special marked orange envelopes are available at the cathedral to support our shared Aboriginal Ministry in Gippsland.

<https://campaigns.tithely.com/44902-anglican-diocese-of-gippsland/aboriginal-ministry>

DIRECT DEPOSIT: BSB: 705 077 Acc No: 00040720 Ref: Aboriginal Ministry

The (10am) service each week is live streamed. (Search *St Paul's Cathedral Sale when in* YouTube) <https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulscathedralsale/streams>

Internet Bank Transfer: Cathedral's ministry and mission

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

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25 January 2024: A Day to Celebrate in the Anglican Church

On 25 January 1944 Ronald Hall, Bishop of Hong Kong and China, ordained a woman, **Florence Li Tim-Oi, as a priest.**

This was not only a first for the Chinese Church but also for the world-wide Anglican Communion.

The ordination may have been a matter of expediency as the Second Sino-Japanese War prevented priests from tending the Anglican community of Macao. Bishop Mok had already licensed Deaconess Tim-Oi to preside at Holy Communion; Bishop Hall determined to ordain her: 'God had clearly shown that He had already given her the gift of priesthood'. A year later, she was forced to revert to the role of deaconess: Canterbury and the rest of the Anglican Communion could not stomach a woman priest. For their part, the Chinese Communists designated her as a counter-revolutionary, persecuted her and sent her off to work in a factory until 1974. While the Diocese of Hong Kong and Macao officially recognised her as a priest in 1971, it wasn't until 1979 that she resumed her public ministry. In 1981 she received permission to visit her family in Toronto and settled there, working as an honorary assistant priest.

In 1984, Tim-Oi was formally reinstated as a priest, an event celebrated not only in Canada but also in Westminster Abbey. From then until her death in 1992, she faithfully exercised her priesthood, concerned not for herself, but that women should be fully valued by the Church and in society. The Rev'd Canon Edmund Der, St James' Cathedral in Toronto, remembered her thus:

When honours were heaping on her at the height of the movement for ordination of women priests, she remained humble and always reminded herself of the psalmist words "I am a worm". She thought of herself as an unworthy servant of the Lord. Archbishop Ted Scott hailed her as one of the top ten influential figures in the twentieth century. He especially appreciated her life and ministry as one who had broken barriers of humanity in different cultures and races and gender bias; a life more positive than negative in establishing a new community of equality of men and women. Her career, as an evangelist, a deacon, a priest, an

innovator, a motivator, an empowerment leader, a pastor, a counselor and above all an intercessor, would always be my example of a mentor and a pioneer for all priests: male or female.

[\(https://www.anglican.ca/faith/worship/resources/li-tim-oi/li-tim-oi-der/\)](https://www.anglican.ca/faith/worship/resources/li-tim-oi/li-tim-oi-der/)

In 2004 the Anglican Church of Canada included Florence Li Tim-Oi on the Calendar of Holy Persons and in 2018 she was incorporated into the Episcopal Church's calendar of saints

The Movement for the Ordination of Women Australia takes heart from the words of Florence Li Tim-Oi, recorded in 1985 by her biographer, Ted Harrison, in *Much Beloved Daughter*:

I can certainly see no theological argument against the ordination of women. We are all God's children, male and female, it is good for us to serve God. I don't think the details of the theological debate are important. If Jesus gave freedom to all mankind, why does our Church not give proper, natural freedom to females?

The Movement for the Ordination of Women Australia Ltd

<https://mowatch.com.au/>

