

**Garry John Worete Deverell (Reverend Canon Dr)**

## *Curriculum Vitae 2024*

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Strengths in ministry:

*preaching, liturgical leadership, care of souls,  
encouragement of lay ministry, theological reflection,  
strategic thinking.*



### Ordination Details

- Ordained Minister of the Word (Uniting Church) by the Presbytery of Yarra Valley 07/12/1997
- Ordained Deacon (Anglican Diocese of Melbourne) by +Philip Huggins 04/02/2017
- Ordained Priest (Anglican Diocese of Melbourne) by ++Philip Freier 25/11/2017

### Anglican Pastoral Appointments

2023 - Canon Priest  
St Paul's Cathedral  
Diocese of Melbourne

2021 - Associate Priest  
St Paul's Cathedral  
Diocese of Melbourne

*Here I share in the care of the cathedral congregations. I preach, I teach, I preside at public services and I care for people. I was called to this work specifically to help the cathedral think through its obligations to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.*

2018 - Vicar  
2020  
Anglican Parish of St Agnes  
Black Rock, Diocese of Melbourne

*This was my first (Anglican) appointment as a priest in charge of a parish. During my time the congregation learned about the local Aboriginal history of the area and we set up a music ministry for older people called 'Merry Melodies' which is still going strong. I left when offered my 'dream job', setting up a School of Indigenous Studies in the University of Divinity.*

2017 Assistant Curate  
Anglican Parish of Saints Stephen & Mary  
Mount Waverley, Diocese of Melbourne

*Here I learned the art of setting the table for the Anglican mass, I preached, and I cared for souls. My curacy was short because the diocese considered my extensive experience as a Presbyterian in the Uniting Church qualified me to move to a priest-in-charge appointment soon after I was priested.*

2016 Chaplain to Eastern Health  
Anglican Diocese of Melbourne

*Here I offered pastoral care to people spending time in hospital. It was very much an interim and part-time appointment as my transition into Holy Orders with the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne was being sorted out.*

### Previous Pastoral Appointments (principally Uniting Church)

2008- 2015	Locum Ministries in Melbourne	St Columba's Balwyn, Brunswick Baptist, Boronia, St David's Oakleigh, Monash Clayton
2014 - 2015	Chaplain and Freemantle Fellow	Ormond College University of Melbourne
2004 - 2007	Minister	St. Luke's Uniting Church Mount Waverley, Victoria
2002 - 2004	Associate Pastor	South Yarra Community Baptist Church South Yarra, Victoria
2001	Locum Minister	St. David's Uniting Church Collingwood, Victoria
1998- 2000	Minister	Wesley Uniting Church Devonport, Tasmania
1997	Locum Lay Pastor	Wesley Uniting Church Box Hill, Victoria
1993 - 1995	Lay Chaplain	House of the Gentle Bunyip Clifton Hill, Victoria

### Academic Appointments

2020 - 2024	Academic Dean, Lecturer, Research Fellow, Vice-Chancellor's Fellow	School of Indigenous Studies University of Divinity
2017 - 2018	Turner Fellow, Adjunct Lecturer	Trinity College Theological School University of Divinity
2012 - 2014	Adjunct Lecturer	United Faculty of Theology University of Divinity
2012	Tutor	Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme Monash University
2011 - 2012	Adjunct Lecturer	Whitley College MCD University of Divinity
2009 - 2010	Professor of Worship & Preaching	Uniting Church Theological College MCD University of Divinity
2008	Tutor	Faculty of Education Australian Catholic University
2007	Principal Researcher, Aboriginal Leaders Project	Creative Ministries Network (Uniting Church) South Yarra, Victoria

2007	Sanderson Fellow in Theology	Uniting Church Theological College Melbourne College of Divinity
2004 - 2016	Adjunct Research Associate	Centre for Studies in Religion and Theology Monash University
2002- 2003	Tutor	Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme Monash University
2002	Tutor	Centre for Studies in Religion and Theology Monash University
1996	Research Assistant to Professor Mark Brett	Whitley College Melbourne College of Divinity
1991	Tutor	Faculty of Education University of Tasmania
1991	Teacher	St. Michael's Collegiate School Hobart, Tasmania

### Qualifications

2011	Certificate in Supervision of Ministry	Whitley College University of Divinity
2004	PhD  Thesis Title: <i>The Bonds of Freedom: Vows, Sacraments and the Formation of the Christian Self</i>	Centre for Studies in Religion and Theology Monash University
1996	Bachelor of Theology with First Class Hons. Major studies in Systematic Theology and Pastoral Studies Thesis title: <i>'Postmodern' Proposals Concerning the Resurrection of Jesus, with particular reference to the theologies of Marianne Sawicki and Jürgen Moltmann</i>	Melbourne College of Divinity
1996	Advanced Certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education (x2)	INSTEP Mount Waverley, Victoria
1993	Basic Certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education	INSTEP Mount Waverley, Victoria
1991	Diploma of Education	Faculty of Education University of Tasmania
1990	Bachelor of Arts	Faculty of Arts University of Tasmania

### Major Publications

- *Contemplating Country: more Gondwana theology*, Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2023.
- *Gondwana Theology: a trawloolway man reflects on Christian Faith*, Reservoir, Vic: Morning Star Press, 2018. Corrected ed. Brompton, SA: ATF Press, 2024.
- *The Bonds of Freedom: vows, sacraments and the formation of the Christian self*, Milton Keynes, UK: Paternoster Press, 2008.

## Occasional Publications

- Christine Gilbert, 'A Conversation with Garry Deverell' in *Coolamon: awakening to love in an unfolding cosmos* 9 (July 2024): 8-17.
- 'Day 7. Sabbath: giving exploitation a rest' in Stephen Daughtry (ed.), *God's Own Country: First Nations voices speak to the Church*, Anglican Board of Mission, 2024.
- 'Reading the Christian Scriptures Through Indigenous Lifeworlds' in *Till the Soil* 21 (2023). <https://mailchi.mp/d3e421c560de/tilling-the-soil-reading-christian-scriptures-nov23>
- 'On Miriam-Rose Ungunmer-Baumann's 'Dadirri'' in *Vox* (2021) at <https://vox.divinity.edu.au/opinion/on-miriam-rose-ungunmerr-baumanns-dadirri/>
- 'On deferring Easter and diving more deeply into Lenten quarantine' in *Vox* (2020) at <https://vox.divinity.edu.au/opinion/on-deferring-easter-and-diving-more-deeply-into-lenten-quarantine/>
- 'The Three Christmases' in *The Melbourne Anglican*, December 2018
- 'Reconciliation: personal reflections' in *Gesher: the official journal of The Council of Christians and Jews (Victoria) Inc.* 4/5 (2014): 16-19
- 'Notes Toward a Theology of the Arts Through the Arts' on my website at [www.deverell.net](http://www.deverell.net), January 2004

## Appearances in Film, Podcast and on Radio

- 'Contemplating Country with Garry Deverell' on *Soul Search with Meredith Lake*, ABC Radio National. First broadcast on January 25, 2024. <https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/soul-search/contemplating-country-with-garry-deverell/103022962>
- 'Indigenous Spirituality and Grounded Faith: Garry Deverell' in *On The Way* with Peter Catt, Dom Fay and Suzanne Grimmett. First broadcast on September 7, 2023. <https://www.podbean.com/ew/dir-hu2hg-1ab2b8a3>
- 'Decolonisation and the Preamble to the UCA Constitution' on Liam Miller's *Love Rinse Repeat*. First broadcast on November 4, 2021. <https://loverinserepeat.podbean.com/e/ep110-decolonisation-and-the-preamble-to-the-uca-constitution-garry-deverell-and-chris-budden/>
- 'Blue Horizon' (2021), a documentary film by Vincent Lamberti for Fringe Dweller Films. [https://youtu.be/\\_UNLQNIQCOY?si=OCMsiM5DSt1XY9](https://youtu.be/_UNLQNIQCOY?si=OCMsiM5DSt1XY9)
- 'B128 Pentecost 6 – Proper 9' on *By The Well* with Robyn Whitaker and Fran Barber. First broadcast on June 14, 2021. <https://bythewell.com.au/episodes/b128-pentecost-6-proper-9>
- 'Indigenous Theologian Garry Deverell on Grounded Spirituality' on *Soul Search with Meredith Lake*, ABC Radio National. First broadcast on September 20, 2020. <https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/soul-search/indigenous-theologian-garry-deverell/13435772>
- 'Gondwana Theology, Garry Worete Deverell' on Liam Miller's *Love Rinse Repeat*. First broadcast on February 11, 2019. <https://www.podbean.com/ew/pb-7i9ve-115f8fc>