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St Martin's Ulladulla

12th December 2021

Welcome

8.30am Holy Communion (p134)

"Coming as Judge"

Trevor Edwards

Isaiah 12:2-6; Malachi 2:17 – 3:5; Phil 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18:

Parish Council Duty: Rod Johnson

10.30am Church

"Coming as King"

Dave Saunders

Isaiah 7:1-17; Phil 4:1-7

Parish Council Duty: Grant Emans

5.30pm Church

"Coming as King"

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Isaiah 7:1-17; Phil 4:1-7

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11am Morning Prayer (*p18*)

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Trevor's Column

Dear sisters and brothers,

As I have written before this Advent season has a double focus as we prepare ourselves spiritually by remembering the two comings of Jesus. We need to ensure we are personally ready for his second coming as both saviour and judge, but also look back with gratitude for his first coming at Christmas.

With respect to the return of Jesus, the Bible makes it plain that no one knows the timing, despite the attempts of well-meaning believers trying to predict it. Echoing the teaching of Jesus, the Apostle Paul taught that the Day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night (1 Thessalonians 5:2). Since Jesus will come when people least expect it, disciples need to be spiritually prepared at all times for this inevitable encounter.

An acquaintance of mine had to house-sit while friends were overseas. Now of course he knew the date of the return flight, but put off the inevitable big clean up until a day or so before the deadline. Included in his duties was a round fish bowl with one gold fish which he had largely neglected during his stay apart from feeding it The new clean environment was obviously too much for the poor fish. It was floating on the top when my friend brought the owner in the door from the airport. He had to confess his failure. After all, if he had cleaned the tank earlier and the fish had carked it, he could have at least bought a replacement! In our case we do not know when our Lord will return, so we need to be diligent every day. Diligence means a number of things. For example, it includes exercising care that we don't get totally distracted by or absorbed in the affairs of the present. It is so easy to get seduced into living only for the here and now, but forget tomorrow might never come. It is so easy to forget this world is temporary and we are just passing through. We need to live each day as if it were our last. While we are to enjoy this God-given life, it is a fatal mistake to live as if this is all there is. In particular, we must constantly seek God's help so that on the last day we will be able to stand before our returning Lord as forgiven people. By his grace he has claimed us as his own through his sin-bearing death, but we remain weak and live in an alien environment so we might be tempted to give up and not persevere in following him. Therefore, we need to keep prayerfully relying on him and drawing strength from him as we look to him to sustain us in vulnerable situations. Like the boy scouts we need to be always prepared. We need to be careful, watchful and prayerful lest we be ashamed before the Son of Man on his day Prayerfully yours,

Trevor Edwards

In our Prayers this week:

Please give thanks for:

- * Our family, friends and neighbours, and the community in which God has planted us;
- * The season of advent and the opportunities for reflection that it brings;
- * Those who care for our buildings, grounds and facilities;

Please pray for:

- * Grace and strength for all those in our Church Family who are dealing with health issues, mourning a loss or facing hardship of any sort;
- * Newly elected members of our city council that they would be guided by Godly wisdom and work in harmony for the community;
- *Trevor and Dave as they prepare and lead Christmas services.
- * All those who will attend our Christmas services, and that their hearts would be open to the Gospel message, and that we would be warm and welcoming;
- * Wisdom and boldness to take up the opportunities that Christmas brings us to talk about Jesus to family, friends and neighbours;
- * the Hospitality Team Street Stall, Thurs 16 Dec, for effective fund-raising and positive interactions with our community;
- * Our Parish Council as it meets on Monday night to prepare budgets for next year;
- *Those who have been adversely affected by recent heavy rain;
- * strength and courage for Christians who suffer persecution because of their Faith;
- * Miriam Bradshaw (CMS Link Missionary in Spain), and Yosef & Danica, (serving with YWAM in Mexico) for safety, good health and opportunities to share the gospel;

Daily Bible Readings

Monday	Isaiah 6:1-13
Tuesday	Isaiah 7:1-25
Wednesday	Isaiah 9:1-7
Thursday	Isaiah 26:1-9

Friday	Isaiah 35:1-10
Saturday	Matt 1:1-17
Sunday	Matt 1:18-25

Thought for the week

"...His name is Immanuel..."
Isaiah 7:14



Malachi 2:17-3:5

(Text for 8.30 & 11am Bible message)

By saying, "All who do evil are good in the eyes of the Lord, and he is pleased with them" or "Where is the God of justice?"

- 3:1"I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come," says the Lord Almighty.
- ² But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, ⁴ and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years.
- ⁵ "So I will come to put you on trial. I will be quick to testify against sorcerers, adulterers and perjurers, against those who defraud laborers of their wages, who oppress the widows and the fatherless, and deprive the foreigners among you of justice, but do not fear me," says the Lord Almighty.

Welcome

Thank you for joining us today, and thank you for helping to keep our church Covid-safe

- Please make sure you register your attendance with us
 - Please wear your mask while inside the buildings



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Please **note**, **plan to attend** (and **invite others**) and **pray** for our Christmas services:

Wed 15 Dec, 7pm - Carols & Readings at St Peter & St Paul's Milton

Sun 19 Dec, 8.30am - Carols & Readings at St Martin's Ulladulla

Fri **24 Dec**, **11pm** - Holy Communion at **St Martin's Ulladulla** (Come along at 10pm and enjoy tea, coffee and Christmas cake)

Sat 25 Dec, 8am - Holy Communion at St Peter & St Paul's Milton

Sat 25 Dec, 9.30am - Family Christmas Celebration at St Martin's Ulladulla

Special note:

On Sunday 26 December, there will be only two services:

St Martins 9am - a special **'one family'** service.

St Peter & St Paul's 11am - Morning Prayer

Throughout January, ALL services are at the normal time.

Christmas Letter Box Brochures

The amended Christmas brochure is available for distribution to letter boxes near where you live to create awareness of what we are planning for this season.

We want to encourage you to take sufficient copies to 'post' as you go on your daily walk.

Please record on the list provided your name and the name of the street or streets in which you intend to deliver the brochures

¹⁷ You have wearied the Lord with your words.

[&]quot;How have we wearied him?" you ask.

Isaiah 7:1-17 (*Text for 10.30 & 5.30 Bible message*)

When Ahaz son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, was king of Judah, King Rezin of Aram and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel marched up to fight against Jerusalem, but they could not overpower it. ² Now the house of David was told, "Aram has allied itself with^[a] Ephraim"; so the hearts of Ahaz and his people were shaken, as the trees of the forest are shaken by the wind.

³ Then the Lord said to Isaiah, "Go out, you and your son Shear-Jashub, to meet Ahaz at the end of the aqueduct of the Upper Pool, on the road to the Launderer's Field. ⁴ Say to him, 'Be careful, keep calm and don't be afraid. Do not lose heart because of these two smoldering stubs of firewood—because of the fierce anger of Rezin and Aram and of the son of Remaliah. ⁵ Aram, Ephraim and Remaliah's son have plotted your ruin, saying, ⁶ "Let us invade Judah; let us tear it apart and divide it among ourselves, and make the son of Tabeel king over it." ⁷ Yet this is what the Sovereign Lord says:

"It will not take place, it will not happen,

- ⁸ for the head of Aram is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is only Rezin. Within sixty-five years Ephraim will be too shattered to be a people.
- ⁹ The head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is only Remaliah's son. If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all.'"
- ¹⁰ Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, ¹¹ "Ask the Lord your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights." ¹² But Ahaz said, "I will not ask; I will not put the Lord to the test."
- ¹³ Then Isaiah said, "Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you^[c] a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and^[e] will call him Immanuel. ¹⁵ He will be eating curds and honey when he knows enough to reject the wrong and choose the right, ¹⁶ for before the boy knows enough to reject the wrong and choose the right, the land of the two kings you dread will be laid waste. ¹⁷ The Lord will bring on you and on your people and on the house of your father a time unlike any since Ephraim broke away from Judah—he will bring the king of Assyria."

A prayer for a new Senior Minister

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people 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 Christ's sake. Amen

Ulladulla Lessons & Carols

8.30am NEXT Sunday 19th December 2021.

Vern Flay has very kindly arranged an instrumental ensemble from the **Milton Town Band** to accompany our singing as we celebrate in this special way and listen to the nine lessons chosen which outline the good news of the Christmas story.

MILTON LESSONS AND CAROLS

THIS coming Wednesday 15th December 2021 at 7.00pm

This year we are able to restart this great tradition of a service of Lessons and Carols in the historic Church of **St Peter and St Paul Milton**, accompanied by the magnificent pipe organ.

Please invite your friends, neighbours or relatives to join us at either or both of these services for what will be a wonderful introduction to Christmas week.

Annual (Hospitality team) Christmas Street Stall

THIS coming Thursday 16th December 8.30 -12.00am outside Beachside Pharmacy on the highway.

Donations of Saleable items should be **delivered to the stall on the day as early as possible**. (Food items must show a list of ingredients)

For any enquiries about the stall, please contact:

Judy Hoye on 0407 345787, Helen McFarland on 0406 079429
Fiona Brown on 0488 933366 Laurel McDonald on 0488 177225

Christmas Hampers

Sincere thanks to those who have already contributed towards Christmas Hampers which will be distributed to needy families in our community.

Only ONE more DAY to contribute

Please place items in the collection boxes at either of our church centres before **Monday 13**th **December.**

(Please choose only from the list published in recent Wavelengths)