

UlladullaAnglican

St Martin's: Cnr Princes Hwy & Green St, Ulladulla
St Peter & St Paul: Cnr Princes Hwy & Church St, Milton

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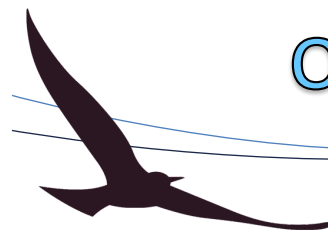
St Martin's Bookstore: Mon to Fri, 10am to 4pm. (*depending on volunteer availability*)

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St Peter & St Paul's. BSB 633-108 Account 157807868.
(Bendigo 'Church Account 2')

St Martin's BSB 032 701 Account 245648.
(Westpac 'Ulladulla Anglican')



ourWavelength

St Martin's Ulladulla
St Peter & St Paul's Milton

12th September 2021

Church online

Open our **web page:** ulladulla-anglican.org

Click on the **blue live stream** button

Traditional service of Holy Communion

Available from 8.30am Sunday

"Ministry attitudes"

Dave Saunders

Psalms 116:1-9; Isaiah 50:4-9, James 2:14-18, **Mark 9:30-41**

10.30am Church (*with Holy Communion*)

Available from 10.30am Sunday

"Listening to Jesus"

Bart Vanden Hengel

Isaiah 50:4-9, **Mark 9:2-8**

We exist to build a community of believers who,
with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, will:

- * seek to know Christ fully,
- * serve Christ faithfully and
- * declare Christ fearlessly.


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Trevor's Column

Dear sisters and brothers,

We need to really thank our Parochial Nominators, who have been working really hard on our behalf, for providing feedback about some of the common themes discovered in their recent survey of our congregations about the qualities desired in a Senior Minister to help lead us towards what we collectively see as the future ministry and mission of this Parish.

In the first place, a deliberate question about growth produced a range of answers about what the focus might be. Having conducted many parish vacancy processes over the past 25 years I am not surprised by the desire to grow in all age groups, but particularly to grow younger. Regrettably there is a missing generation in many Anglican churches in this country which is a challenge for all of us. Because one style no longer fits all, relying purely on an old 'attractional' model of inspirational church services is not sufficient. The current need is to intentionally diversify entry points for those in our relationship networks who are not yet Christian to enable them to belong to a loving community and learn the faith over time from us. Two markers of a healthy, growing church are *passionate spirituality* and *gift-oriented lay ministry*. That is why it so pleasing that our people see a need to grow in prayer; to depend more on God who goes before us, opening opportunities for gospel witness by the way we live and what we say. Furthermore, there is an obvious longing to grow in our roles in the church and in the world by being better equipped by our church leadership. Growth is however a multi-faceted concept, requiring commitment, energy and effort by all of us with God's help to achieve.

In the second place, the essential marching order for any parish minister in our contemporary culture is to be a sustainer and an enabler of a missionary congregation. The feedback about qualities, skills and strengths for such a role is certainly comprehensive. However, as I have done in the past with other congregations, I think I need to remind you that Super Pastor does not exist except in our imaginations! This list certainly documents some essential personal qualities and skills, some crucial things about leadership style and some key ministry priorities we which we desire. However, in my opinion, this list is a big ask for any individual who will naturally have strengths and work areas. Therefore, the saving feature in this particular list is that we recognise that ministry and mission is a team effort involving all God's people. I want to highlight some words and phrases like 'good listener', 'good team player', 'good delegator knowing he can't do it all', 'consultative' in decision making, and 'identify giftings within the parish to build up the body and outreach'. These are healthy signs that we are seeking a genuinely collaborative ministry partnership with the person to be appointed so that in God's providence we might all see multi-faceted health and growth which will glorify Him and be of eternal benefit to others in this community

Prayerfully yours, *Trevor Edwards*

In our Prayers this week:

Please give thanks:

- * For the knowledge "that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose";
- * For each other that, although scattered, we are still one family united in Christ.

Please pray for:

- * all members of our Church Family who are presently dealing with health or family issues, or mourning a loss;
- * wisdom and strength for Trevor and Dave as they continue to lead, teach and support us, and for leaders and members of our growth groups as they care for each other;
- * grace and strength for health care workers as they deal with continuing high case loads, especially Covid-affected patients, and for all those whose health, wellbeing and livelihoods are being adversely affected by the virus and ongoing lockdowns;
- * wisdom and unity of purpose for our government and community leaders as they manage the rollout of vaccines and plan for the transition out of lockdowns;
- * patience for all of us as lockdowns continue, and opportunities for each of us to share with others the firm hope we have in Jesus amidst the uncertainties of life;
- * wisdom and grace for Church leaders as they interpret and respond to the proposed conditions to be imposed on gatherings when lockdowns are eased.
- * wisdom for our Parish Council as it meets on Monday evening, 13 September;
- * Miriam Bradshaw (CMS Link Missionary in Spain), for safety, good health and opportunities to share the gospel;
- * Yosef & Danica, (serving with YWAM in Mexico) -comfort for those affected by severe hurricanes and flooding in Mazatlan, wisdom for the YWAM team as they share the message of hope in Jesus, and wisdom for Danica & Yosef as they keep the base running.

Daily Bible Readings

Monday	Isaiah 53:1-12	Friday	Matt 4:1-11
Tuesday	John 17:1-26	Saturday	Mark 8:27-38
Wednesday	Mark 1:1-11	Sunday	Mark 9:1-13
Thursday	Matt 3:13-17		

Thought for the week

"...listen to Him..." Mark 8:34

My notes

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**

Mark 9:2 – 8 (Texts for 10.30 Bible message)

² After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

⁵ Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

⁷ Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

Mark 9:30–41 (Texts for 8.30 and 11am Bible message)

³⁰ They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, ³¹ because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." ³² But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

³³ They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" ³⁴ But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

³⁵ Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."

³⁶ He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

³⁸ "Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us." ³⁹ "Do not stop him," Jesus said. "For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, ⁴⁰ for whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹ Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward."

Afghanistan

As well as continuing to pray for God's mercy on the country of Afghanistan and especially for our sisters and brothers in Christ, some of us may be able to **help practically** through the auspices of the Barnabas Fund.

This organisation is currently caring for 400 Afghani Christians (men, women and children) who have escaped to a neighbouring country, but it remains in contact with another 400 still trapped there and at risk possible death at the hands of the Taliban for being apostates. The Barnabas Fund is supporting the living costs of Christians in hiding in Afghanistan, as well as for those who have escaped, and will be funding flights for Christians to travel from the region to safer countries, as well as supporting them for a period as they settle into their new environment.

If you are interested in **donating** to this cause, visit the Barnabas Fund Australia donations website at: <https://barnabasfund.org/au/latest-needs/afghanistan-crisis-appeal-rescue-afghan-christians/>

For more information the Barnabas fund organisation visit:
[www. barnabasfund.org/au](http://www.barnabasfund.org/au).

Parish Council

The next meeting of our Parish Council will be **Monday 13th September**.

Please pray for our Parish Council as it considers issues including how best to prepare the Rectory for its future new occupant, and the effects of the Covid lockdown on our Church Family. The meeting will be conducted over Zoom, so please especially pray for Parish Council members (some whom are Zoom novices) as they deal with this mode of meeting.

Helen Patrick

Helen Patrick, wife of Canon Alan Patrick, passed away on 7th September. Some of our long-standing church members may remember that Helen and Alan were part of our Church family for some 15 years from the mid eighties. Helen and Gwen Rogers started Open Door one week after St. Martins Church opened, and Helen trained a Choir to sing at the official opening. Since leaving here they have lived in the Anglican Retirement Village, Castle Hill.

Lockdown news

With the lockdown of our region continuing, we meet online again this week and, it seems, for at least the next several weeks.

Future gatherings: Church leaders are presently processing, and preparing to respond to the conditions that may be imposed on church gatherings.

Wavelength: Can be accessed on the Church web site. Paper copies will be available in St Martin's foyer during the week.

Offertory: may be left in the boxes in the Church Office on Tuesday or Friday mornings, or paid by electronic transfer (details on back page).

Church services: Two services (one traditional and one contemporary) will be 'live streamed' each Sunday during the current restrictions. These can be joined in real time, at 8.30am and 10.30am, or any time later. Meetings in our church buildings will resume when NSW Government Health Orders permit church services to restart.

Zoom: Please **contact the Church Office via email** if you need to **schedule and set up a Zoom meeting via the Church account** (*remembering that requests can only be actioned on Tues or Fri mornings when the Office is staffed*).

Mission update – Danica & Yosef Vega

Much of Mexico has recently been affected by hurricanes, including Mazatlan where Danica and Yosef live. The rain caused a lot of flooding and many poor people living in makeshift dwellings lost their homes and all their possessions. The city is now without water as it seems the pipeline from its water supply has been damaged and won't be repaired for at least several more days. Of course this affects all of the 500,000+ inhabitants.

Please pray for Mazatlan and especially for YWAM as it shares the hope and comfort only found in Jesus while reaching out to this city in very practical ways. And pray that Yosef and his team have wisdom in instituting procedures to cope with their base (which houses 100 people) while it has no water..

BCA (Bush Church Aid) Boxes

Thank you to those members of the Church Family who faithfully set aside their spare change in BCA money boxes, for the assistance of churches in remote areas of Australia. It is time to open the boxes and send our combined contribution to BCA. Please return your money box to the Church Office by **30 September** so that we can count the money and forward it to BCA.

Survey Report

from

our Parish Nominators

*Our sincere thanks to all who provided comments to the Nominators in recent weeks (both oral and written), about **future ministry** in the Parish and the **qualities and skills** needed of a new Senior Minister.*

Many thoughtful suggestions and opinions were received, and several **common themes** quickly emerged.

In addition to these common themes there were, not surprisingly, a great many individual preferences offered. In reality, some of the individual preferences are mutually exclusive (eg: “the new Minister should be over 50 years of age” and “the new Minister should be a young family man”), however all the comments are appreciated and provide a valuable input to the Nomination process.

This report covers the **common themes** from the survey.

Our thanks again to all provided comments in the recent survey.

*Judy Armitt, Colleen Clifford, Rod Foord,
Rod Hoye, Leigh Tait*

Our Church's future

In terms of our **Church's future**, there was broad and strong agreement that we would like to see **growth**, especially:

- **growth** over all age groups, but particular emphasis on young families, children and youth.
- **growth** in our prayer ministry
- **growth** in our outreach (particularly to encourage youth)
- **growth** in training and equipping programs, to better equip lay people and for Bible study leaders to be accountable

Qualities, skills and strengths

In relation to the qualities, skills and strengths desired of a new Senior Minister, the common themes in the survey were:

Personal qualities

Displays Christlike behaviour @ church, home and out in the community; wise; faithful; courageous; confident; caring; hospitable; open to new ideas; 'teachable' with humility; led by the Holy Spirit; open to feedback.

Skills

Experienced; strong teacher; good delegator; innovative; gifted; good listener; good communicator; able to encourage, challenge and convict in a Godly manner; good team player, both within the church and with other clergy in the area; good leadership skills; good conflict resolution skills.

Leadership style

Confident to make changes if needed; confident to delegate knowing he can't do it all; consultative and will make decisions based on understanding the needs of parishioners; will have discernment and courage to end dissent quickly;

Ministry priorities

A man who feels called by God to our parish; a good shepherd-looking after us as a church; has a love for people of all ages and a passion to share the gospel; help us to feel unified and belonging to one parish and not separate eg. different services; brings all congregations together "as one" through caring and loving each person; identify giftings within the parish to be used to build up the body and outreach; supply training for leadership and delegate with good support overseeing ministries; equip us as a church to share our faith – outreach.

Demographic awareness

Will understand the needs of the parish/community and will be flexible to meet the needs
