

## UlladullaAnglican

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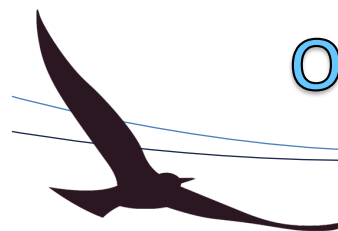
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St Martin's Ulladulla

7th November 2021

## Welcome

### 8.30am Morning Prayer (p18)

**"Justice is coming"**

*Frank Gee*

Psalm 146; 1 Kings 17:10-16; **James 5:1-11**

Parish Council Duty: Rod Foord

### 10.30am Church

**"The future is not ours"**

*Trevor Edwards*

1 Kings 17:10-16; **James 4:13-18**

Parish Council Duty: Rowena Barton

### 5.30pm Church

**"The future is not ours"**

*Trevor Edwards*

1 Kings 17:10-16; **James 4:13-18**

Parish Council Duty: Rod Hoyer

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- \* serve Christ faithfully and
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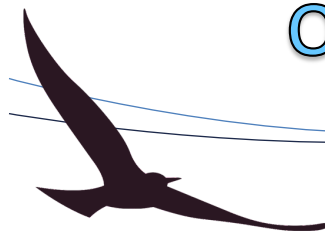
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St Peter & St Paul's Milton

7th November 2021

**Welcome...**

**11am Holy Communion (p114)**

**"Justice is coming"**

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## Trevor's Column

Dear sisters and brothers,

Last week I reflected briefly about the command to *rejoice always*. However, one enemy to experiencing God's joy is fear, anxiety or worry. We have had all three in spades in the past year in our culture. This has been accentuated by looking around or looking in, but not looking up. But as James has reminded us, God controls the future not humans, and our ultimate destinies are in his loving hands if we are in Christ. So the best antidote is to trust him using the medium of prayer. It is no surprise that Paul's second command in 1 Thessalonians 5:17 is *pray continually*, or constantly and without ceasing.

Now of course I do not know what your personal and family prayer habits are like, but I have my suspicions many of us have much further to travel in the journey of prayer. This is based on 40 years in pastoral ministry, and some of my own pygmy like efforts in praying. I remember a time in the past when I was so easily distracted by other things which intruded into my conversations with our heavenly Father. Being 'retired' (I write that with my tongue in my cheek!) has been a great blessing because I have been able to be more relaxed in my daily devotional life. I am inspired to emulate Paul who practised what he preached, with prayer being the very atmosphere of his life and ministry (see his *modus operandi* in 1 Thessalonians 3:10).

We have much to learn about living each day depending upon God. This does not mean endlessly chattering to him, but it does mean realising he is with us wherever we are, and that we are completely reliant on him for all we have, all we are and all we need. It means deliberately yielding ourselves to do his will. Prayer does not come naturally because we have had many years to perfect independence. We need to reverse this trend with some simple steps. Begin each day with prayer. Commit the activities and concerns of the day to him. Be brief and specific. During the day when troubled or pressured, shoot up a silent arrow prayer on the spot. Do not neglect to join with others to speak to God about his concerns for the world.

We have much to learn from our pressured colleagues elsewhere. China has been much in the news recently, but conservative estimates suggest there are 44 million Christians there. Many are in unregistered churches, meeting in hiding. The legacy of persecution means they pray at length, with intensity and use the language of Scripture. With no pastors, churches or Bibles, they only have God to whom to turn. I trust we won't have to have a similar experience to learn what they have learned, but in reality God is all we have, and we must learn to depend upon him for all we need. In summary, *pray continually*.

Prayerfully yours,

*Trevor Edwards*

## *In our Prayers this week:*

### ***Please give thanks for:***

- \* The freedom we have to meet together and declare our faith;
- \* The clear and practical lessons from the book of James;
- \* The many blessings God showers upon us day by day;

### ***Please pray for:***

- \* Grace and strength for all those in our Church Family who are dealing with health issues, or mourning a loss;
- \* Grace so that we will live confidently, lovingly and prayerfully through the easing of COVID restrictions and influx of visitors;
- \* uni students doing end of semester / end of course assessments - especially Dave Cairns(10.30) completing his nursing degree;
- \* teaching staff and students back with face to face lessons, and HSC students as they sit for their exams this week;
- \* Wisdom and perseverance for our Nominators as they continue the search for a new Senior Minister;
- \* Bookstore staff as they re-open the shop – for positive interactions;
- \* Wisdom for Parish Council as it meets on Mon 8<sup>th</sup> November
- \* 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;

### ***And as we pray, may we remember the words of James:***

*"be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near."*

## ***Daily Bible Readings***

Monday	Job 7:1-10	Friday	Prov 27:1-16
Tuesday	Psalms 102:1-11	Saturday	Matt 6:25-34
Wednesday	Psalms 102:12-28	Sunday	James 4:18
Thursday	Psalms 103:1-18		

### **Thought for the week**

*"...you do not know about tomorrow..."*  
*James 4:14*

## *My notes*

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### **Parish Council**

Our Parish Council meets on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November** at St Martin's.  
Please pray for Parish Council members (*listed on the back page*) as they begin work on a budget for next year, and prioritise work needed to prepare the Rectory for a new Senior Minister in 2022.

### **James 4:13-18**

(Text for 10.30 & 5.30pm Bible message)

<sup>13</sup> Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money." <sup>14</sup> Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. <sup>15</sup> Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." <sup>16</sup> As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. <sup>17</sup> If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them.

### **James 5:1-11**

(Text for 8.30 & 11am Bible message)

Now listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming on you. <sup>2</sup> Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. <sup>3</sup> Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days. <sup>4</sup> Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty. <sup>5</sup> You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter. <sup>6</sup> You have condemned and murdered the innocent one, who was not opposing you.

<sup>7</sup> Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. <sup>8</sup> You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. <sup>9</sup> Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

<sup>10</sup> Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. <sup>11</sup> As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

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### ***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**

## Annual Christmas Street Stall

The hospitality team is holding its Christmas Street Stall on

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 8.30 -12.00am**

outside Beachside Pharmacy on the highway.

**All Donations towards stocking the stall will be gratefully accepted**

### 1. Donations of ingredients-

- plain flour, mixed fruit, brown sugar, eggs in by 21<sup>st</sup> November.
- **Money to assist** team to pay for ingredients is also welcome.

### 2. Donations of Saleable items

- delivered to the stall on the day. (Food items must show a list of ingredients)
- Please tell Hospitality Team contacts in advance to assist with planning.

### Christmas Cakes

To ensure you don't miss out on a **Hospitality Team Christmas Cake**,  
**pre orders for Cakes** will be taken up until **30<sup>th</sup> November**.

\$20 for 1kg plain, \$25 for Iced or Premium Fruit.

### Contacts for all above are:-

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

## Operation Christmas Child



*"Operation Christmas Child is still going ahead (despite Covid-19) bringing the Joy of Christmas and the message of our Saviour to many little boys and girls.*

**Boxes are due by the 14<sup>th</sup> November.**

*You can make a box OR donate to a box that me and my elves can make*

*OR adopt a box online at. <https://samaritanspurse.org.au>*

*Boxes can be dropped off at Burrill Pines office, St Martins Church, Ulladulla or I'm happy to come and collect. For further details or questions please don't hesitate to contact me, **Lauren Ross 0405122189**. Thank You"*

## 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, and
- Enjoy the music without singing along \*



**\* SINGING IS BACK NEXT WEEK !!**

## Christmas Hampers

Members of the Church Family are invited to contribute food items towards Christmas Hampers which will be made distributed in December (via the Community Resource Centre) to needy families in our community.

You may do this by placing items, **chosen from the list below**, in collection boxes that will be in the foyer of both church centres from **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November to Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December**.

*(Some Growth Groups may like to prepare a complete box together)*

### Hamper items

1 Christmas cake	1 tin ham (medium)
1 Christmas pudding	1 tin peas (440 gms)
1 litre Tetra pack juice	1 packet instant potato
1 litre long life milk	(or 2 tins of potato)
1 litre long life custard	1 tin corn (440 gms)
1 packet jelly	1 tin fruit (800 gms)
1 packet biscuits (eg shortbread)	1 packet mixed nuts
1 bag Christmas lollies	1 packet bon bons (standard <u>not</u> super size)

## St Martin's Bookstore

Our Bookstore is gradually reopening, as volunteers become available.

The Bookstore has a great collection of Christmas cards with a Christ-centred message and, of course, a wide range of Christian books that are ideal as a Christmas gift for someone special.

*All volunteer staff are double vaccinated and, under NSW Government Health orders, are required to check vaccination certificates of customers before they enter.*

## NSW Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill

During the past week you should have received an email from our office strongly encouraging our members to make their views known about the proposed Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill which has been recently introduced into the NSW Parliament. As you consider your response, please picture the people who are most vulnerable because of such a step and respond in that light. Bishop Michael Stead has provided eight helpful reasons to oppose this practice which might crystallise things for you as you ponder your own individual response which is essential. This document was distributed but here it is again in hard copy –

1) Christian opposition to voluntary assisted dying (VAD) is grounded in the knowledge that all human life is precious in God's sight, that God alone determines the limits of human life, and that the Bible prohibits the purposeful killing of innocent people. Christians are called to be compassionate, but this looks like care for others to the very end of their life, not intervening to unnaturally end that life.

2) Respect for human life is not just a religious value, but a foundational value for all societies. The value and dignity of each person is not diminished by age, disease, dependence or disability. Those whose lives end in infirmity and incapacity are no less "dying with dignity". VAD is based on a destructive narrative of societal utilitarianism, in which people only have dignity when they have capacity, and their value is based on their contribution to society.

3) VAD is promoted as the answer for those with intolerable suffering, but for those who have access to state-of-the-art palliative care, almost no-one needs to endure intolerable suffering. Palliative care, which deserves greater investment, is a more effective and just way of addressing suffering in death. VAD is a poor alternative to the proper funding of best-practice palliative care.

4) It is not true that VAD only impacts those who choose it. Its legalisation would impact all the terminally ill, by forcing them to make a choice between natural death and voluntary assisted dying. Those who already feel that their illness is a burden on their family may feel that the "right thing to do" is bring that burden to an end, solely because they now have the option to do so.

Furthermore, in the long run it will diminish the options for palliative care for everyone, as governments have an excuse to continue to under-fund palliative care. Effective palliative care may become a "choice" only of those in capital cities or with private health insurance.

5) Elder abuse and the risk of elder abuse are increasing threats in Australia. A 2015 NSW Parliamentary inquiry revealed shocking accounts of elder abuse. It is naive to think that the limited safeguards in the VAD Bill will prevent manipulation of the vulnerable and the frail aged. Elderly Australians suffering from dementia are particularly susceptible to elder abuse. There are insufficient safeguards contained in the Bill to protect vulnerable, older Australians suffering from dementia or other forms of cognitive impairment.

6) VAD will fundamentally undermine the trust of the doctor-patient relationship and the "do no harm" purpose of medical care. Lethal medication is not health care. It is contrary to the goals of medicine and medical ethics. The Australian Medical Association has been consistent in its opposition to the legalisation of euthanasia and assisted suicide. Its official position is that 'doctors should not be involved in interventions that have as their primary intention the ending of a person's life.'

7) Those entering Residential Aged Care communities and Palliative Care facilities should have the option of choosing a safe-haven where voluntary assisted dying is not practiced. Uncertainty about this will lead to anxiety in vulnerable people, especially among those with diminished cognitive capacity, who find out that the carers working to sustain their lives are also involved in ending the lives of others.

8) Those who advocate for VAD deny any 'slippery slope', but the experience in overseas jurisdictions with legal euthanasia reveals continued pressure to broaden eligibility criteria, once the state has declared—as a matter of principle—it will assist its citizens who want to end their lives. Based on overseas experience, it is inevitable that future amendments will widen the scope of this legislation, and include not just those in the last stages of life but those who have chronic physical or mental illness as well as self-declared unbearable suffering. ■