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St Martin's Ulladulla

28th November 2021

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8.30am Holy Communion (p114)

"The end of history"

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Trevor's Column

Dear sisters and brothers,

Today is what is called Advent Sunday in the church calendar. In a real sense it is the beginning of our church year in the western church, from which the Anglican church originated. Our annual lectionary was first devised centuries ago, so that Christian worshippers received in the first six months of each year reminders of the key events in the life and ministry of Jesus and then intentional instruction about living the Christian life for the rest of that year. So from Advent Sunday to Trinity Sunday the focus was on the former, while in Trinity season the focus was on the latter. Many fellow Anglicans still follow this rhythm to instruct their people, but now use a three-year cycle of readings for the same purpose unlike the one year cycle I experienced in my parish church when I first became a regular communicant after my confirmation. Over the years other Anglicans have sat loose to this tradition for a variety of valid reasons, but in my opinion there are certain key seasons we ignore to our peril. Since my ordination in every parish where I have been Rector, I have ensured that in constructing the preaching programme for the month before Christmas we both reflect on and prepare ourselves spiritually for the two comings of Jesus.

The word 'Advent' is derived from the Latin word 'adventus', meaning 'coming'. While in earlier centuries it was a penitential season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians, by the 6th century Roman Christians had tied it to the second coming of Christ to judge the world. It was not until the Middle Ages that the Advent season was explicitly linked to Christ's first coming at Christmas. Ever since it has had this double edge. It is therefore a time to look back on Christ's first coming with celebration, while at the same time ensuring we are ready for his return as saviour and judge. The Advent Carol *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* captures the prayerful mood of the season which is mixture of grief and hope -

- O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,
- That mourns in lonely exile here
- Until the Son of God appears.

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

As someone has rightly put it, while Israel would have sung the song in expectation of Christ's first coming, the church now sings the song in commemoration of that first coming and in expectation of the second coming in the future. I therefore trust it will be a time when all of us examine ourselves to see whether we are worthy to celebrate Christmas and are ready to meet our Lord when he returns. Prayerfully yours,

Trevor Edwards

In our Prayers this week:

Please give thanks for:

- * Our Church Family for friendship, nurture and support;
- * The season of advent and the opportunities for reflection that it brings;
- * The freedom we have to meet together and proclaim our faith ;

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;
- * Members of our State Parliament that they would be guided by Godly wisdom as they consider proposed 'Assisted Dying' legislation;
- * Wisdom as we cast our votes in local Council elections;
- * Those who have been affected by floods and damage caused by heavy rain;
- * Trevor and Dave as they prepare for Christmas services and events;
- * Wisdom and boldness to take up the opportunities that Christmas brings us to talk about Jesus to family, friends and neighbours;
- * Wisdom and perseverance for our Nominators as they continue the search for a new Senior Minister;
- * Generous responses to the shortfall in our offertories so far this year;
- * Bernie Hughes as he substitutes for Abner, teaching SRE at Ulladulla High School;
- * 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

Мо	onday	2 Sam 12:1-15	Friday	Rom 11:11-16
Tu	esday	Psalm 32:1-11	Saturday	Gal 6:1-10
We	ednesday	Luke 15:3-10	Sunday	James 5:13-20
Th	ursday	Luke 15:11-32		

Thought for the week

"...save his soul.... Cover a multitude of sins" James 5:20

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**

Church Office *Temporary change to opening hours*

For the remainder of the year the Church office will be open **Tuesday** and **Friday mornings** only (ie <u>not</u> open on Tuesday afternoons).

Church Finances

Please continue to **pray** for thoughtful and generous responses to the shortfall in our offertory income at both centres. Sincere thanks to those who have responded with special donations.

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



Luke 21:25-38

(Text for 8.30 & 11am Bible message)

²⁵ "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. ²⁶ People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. ²⁷ At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."
²⁹ He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰ When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. ³¹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.
³² "Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴ "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

³⁷ Each day Jesus was teaching at the temple, and each evening he went out to spend the night on the hill called the Mount of Olives, ³⁸ and all the people came early in the morning to hear him at the temple.

James 5:19-20

(Text for 10.30 & 5.30pm Bible message)

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, ²⁰ remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

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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, 7pm 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
 - Copies of a 'flyer' with these details will be available soon in Church foyers. Take some and share with the neighbours

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.

Annual Christmas Street Stall

The hospitality team is holding its Christmas Street Stall on **Thursday 16th December 8.30 -12.00am** outside Beachside Pharmacy on the highway.

Donations of Saleable items are welcome, and these should be 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

Pre-orders for a **Hospitality Team Christmas Cake**, will be taken up until **30th November**. (\$20 for 1kg plain, \$25 for Iced or Premium Fruit.)

Contacts for all above are:-

Judy Hoye on 0407 345787, Fiona Brown on 0488 933366

Helen McFarland on 0406 079429 Laurel McDonald on 0488 177225

Dispute Resolution Process

Our sermon series in James was designed to challenge us about our relationship with God and each other. With the latter, it is sometimes hard to know where to start with resolving disagreements or misunderstandings between us. To that end Trevor has triggered an independent dispute resolution process to try to help people deal with unresolved issues which mar our fellowship with each other. The process is confidential, non-partisan and respectful. Please do not repress hurts or anger, but take this God-given opportunity to deal with them in a neutral and non-judgemental context.

We are utilising the skilled services of Elenne Ford, a Christian person of perception and discretion, who is a well-qualified facilitator used by the Diocese in similar parish situations. She has a real gift for listening, with the aim to foster reconciliation wherever it is feasible. As much as possible, the aim is that we deal with the past and go forward together into a new season of ministry in a healthy way. Some members who had already privately expressed a willingness to engage with her on this basis have already had initial conversations by Zoom in the past month and found her eminently approachable.

Elenne will be in Ulladulla on Thursday 2nd December and Friday 3rd December for face to face conversations. If any member would like to participate then (or later in a meeting by Zoom), please speak to Trevor confidentially because he will be responsible for organising her meeting schedule.

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 in the collection boxes available in the foyer of both church centres before **Monday 13th December.**

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

St Martin's Bookstore

Don't leave it too late!

Our Bookstore has a great collection of Christmas cards with a Christ-centred message, and a wide range of Christian books that make ideal Christmas gifts.