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St Martin's Ulladulla

21st November 2021

Welcome

8.30am Morning Prayer (p18)

"Fellowship of concern"

Dave Saunders

Psalm 93; Daniel 7:13-14; James 5:19-20

Parish Council Duty: Rod Hoye

10.30am Church

"Helping through prayer"

Trevor Edwards

Daniel 7:13-14; James 5:13-18

Parish Council Duty: Rowena Barton

5.30pm Church

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Daniel 7:13-14; James 5:13-18

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Trevor's Column

Dear sisters and brothers,

Thanksgiving should be the mark of those who follow Jesus. According to Romans 1:21 ingratitude is the prime mark of those who do not know God. The failure to say thank you is one of the cruellest expressions of human selfishness. One of William Shakespeare's famous plays illustrates this thought when King Lear abdicates his titles and properties in favour of his daughters only to find himself reduced to poverty and homelessness when they callously reject him. Lear famously says: *ingratitude, thou marble hearted fiend, how sharper than the serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child.*

Yet God has many thankless children. His Old Testament people had no sooner been rescued from slavery in Egypt than they wanted to return, grumbling about his provision and murmuring against his leaders. As a pastoral leader I have always identified with the experience of Jesus in Luke 17 when he healed ten lepers but only one outsider bothered to return to thank him. This is a very telling ratio. Giving thanks does not come naturally to many Australians. We live in the land of knocking, where it is easier to give brickbats rather than bouquets, to criticise rather than compliment, to admonish rather than affirm. Giving thanks does not come naturally but it is commanded that we keep on doing it. Paul writes in 1 Thessalonians 5:18 –

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. It is important to note this verse does not say for all circumstances but in all circumstances. Many years ago, my wife and I were involved in a serious car accident. We were hit head on two weeks before Christmas on our way home from church by a drunken driver who failed to observe a red light. We received minor injuries, but our vehicle was destroyed. We both thanked God we walked away from the accident relatively unscathed, but we could not thank him for the sinful irresponsibility of the person who drove under the influence of alcohol. I could not thank God for evil, but I did thank him that in his sovereign power and goodness he even worked that awful experience for our good. When the dust had settled on the event our insurance company covered the cost of the written off vehicle together with some personal compensation which meant we had 60% of the cost of a brand new car! Of course I realise it is not so simple for many people, and the good God works out of evil lies hidden from sight and beyond the grave. Even so this does not vitiate God's promises.

We can give thanks in all circumstances because God is sovereign over all events, as indeed he is also with us in every event, even what the Bible calls the valley of the shadow of death. We can give thanks in every situation because God loves us, has done everything to forgive us, sanctify us and bring us to glory. Prayerfully yours,

Trevor Edwards

In our Prayers this week:

Please give thanks for:

- * The faithful leadership and teaching of Trevor and Dave;
- * The clear and practical lessons from the book of James;
- * The beautiful environment in which we live, and our family, friends and neighbours;

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;
- * HSC students as they continue their exams this week;
- *Trevor and Dave as they prepare for Christmas services and events;
- * 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;

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

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

Daily Bible Readings

	Monday	Job 1:1-21	
	Tuesday	1 Kings 17:1-24	
	Wednesday	1 Kings 18:1-46	
	Thursday	Matt 6:5-15	

Friday	Matt 7:7-12
Saturday	Luke 18:1-8
Sunday	James 5:7-20

Thought for the week

"...the prayer of faith..."

James 5:15

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.

Church Office

Temporary change to opening hours

The Church office will **not** be open this coming **Friday, 26 November** and then, for the remainder of the year, will be open **Tuesday** and **Friday mornings** only (ie not open on Tuesday afternoons).

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.

Church Finances

Please continue to **pray** for thoughtful and generous responses to the shortfall in our offertory income at both centres.

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



James 5:13-18

(Text for 10.30 & 5.30pm Bible message)

¹³ Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

¹⁷ Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. ¹⁸ Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

James 5:19-20

(Text for 8.30 & 11am 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.

Biblegateway.com

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 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

To ensure you don't miss out on a **Hospitality Team Christmas Cake**, pre orders for Cakes will be taken up until **30**th **November**. \$20 for 1kg plain, \$25 for Iced or Premium Fruit.

Contacts for all above are:-

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

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 before **Monday 13**th **December.**

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

Hamper items

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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 Iollies	1 packet bon bons (standard <u>not</u> super size)

Our Parish Rectory

A report from Parish Council

Our Parish Rectory is now 43 years old. It has been consistently well cared for by its occupants over those years, and has been kept in good repair by successive Parish Councils, including some significant improvements, such as upgrades to the bathroom, ensuite and kitchen, and a new driveway and pergola.

However, while the building is of sound structure, many of the fittings and fixtures are well worn and in need of replacement. Parish Council is very conscious that, in addition to preparing the Rectory for a new Minister, it is important to preserve this valuable Parish asset. It has therefore started a process of obtaining quotes for the replacement of several major items, (including some of the worn and leaking windows and doors, the old manually operated garage doors and the 20+year old floor covering), in addition to repainting the interior and repairs to the roof drainage system. Parish Council resolved unanimously to fund the required major repairs from money received from the Estate of the late Malcolm Rennie. In light of the present constraints on our main operating funds (as noted in last week's Wavelength), Parish Council is very grateful to God, and to the Rennie family, for this timely provision of funds for a cause worthy of the memory of Malcolm and Jean Rennie. [Parish Council noted that previous

Parish Council is greatly appreciative of the willingness of an accomplished Builder, Luke Stewart, to assist with co-ordinating some of the major work that is planned.

Councils had indicated an intention to apply this money towards a 2nd minister's

residence but felt strongly that, in these changed circumstances, preserving the

Rectory is a higher priority.]

Apart from some major items that require professional help, there is also opportunity for **members of the Church Family** to **assist** in preparing the Rectory for a new Senior Minister by way of **physically helping** with some of the general 'handy-person' jobs, or by **contributing money** towards the purchase of specific fittings (eg dishwasher, laundry sink).

Please speak to one of the St Martin's Wardens if you would like to help in either of these ways. (More details of the work and new fittings that are required will be announced soon).