

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 wardens), + Helen McFarland, Grant Emans,
Janette Dengate, Beryl Wade, Peter Kerma.

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ourWavelength

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

Welcome

8.30am

Holy Communion (p134)

"The Living Lord"

Trevor Edwards

Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:11-20, John 20:19-31

Parish Council Duty: Rod Foord

11am

Morning Prayer (p18)

"The Living Lord"

Trevor Edwards

Acts 5:12-16;
Rev 1:11-20,

10.30am Church

"Risen Lord – Church marks: "Love"

Dave Saunders

Acts 5:12-16; **Rev 2:1-7**

Parish Council Duty: Janette Dengate

5.30pm Church

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Dave Saunders

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Parish Council Duty: Rod Hoye

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Trevor's Column

Dear sisters and brothers,

Sometimes getting a different perspective on things can be helpful. My first set of spectacles as a teenager turned blurred impressionism into mind boggling detail with trees having leaves and tennis courts having baselines. Sometimes friends can help us get better perspective. Problems which seem overwhelming can shrink into more realistic proportions if a caring friend helps us to step back and look at the issue from a different angle. The Book of Revelation is like a new set of spectacles or a friend who helps us to think about a problem differently. This book is designed to help a troubled Christian minority to see that despite present appearances the kingdom of God and the cause of the risen Jesus will be triumphant.

Over the next seven weeks we will be considering the message given by the risen Christ to his exiled servant John to give to seven churches in Asia Minor who were beginning to feel the heat of a religiously antagonistic Roman state. He is aware of specific issues in each church, with some commended but others condemned. But since seven is a number of wholeness, perfection or completeness, it is a message for all churches wherever they might be and whenever they exist in history. We need to try to discover what it meant for the original hearers or readers, and seek to make a relevant application for our church in Ulladulla and Milton

The book itself is written in an apocalyptic style. It is at once a letter meant to be read aloud in different churches and also a prophecy (1:3). It is therefore an authoritative message critiquing the present state of the church, and providing a compelling vision of the end time. But above all it is revelation (1:1), which was a technical term describing a class of Jewish writings at the time which used wild symbolism claiming to reveal or unveil God's purposes in history. The original hearers understood the code, but from our way of thinking it reveals in a strange way. In the broader book, there is a fascination with angels, numbers and grotesque frightening symbols (for example, beasts, seals, rivers, mountains, stars). It is colourful language trying to describe what is too big for words for us. As I will say in my sermon this morning it is mistake for us to approach the letter with a magnifying glass because the details convey an impression and like visiting an art gallery it is the big picture which counts.

Ultimately the big picture John wants God's people to see is that the kingdom of God will prevail over other human kingdoms. He wants us to keep remembering the victory remains with our God and his Christ. In particular, he wants to focus on the fact that the past, present and future is safely in the hands of God and Christ and we need to remain faithfully committed to them in the power of the Spirit.

Prayerfully yours,

Trevor Edwards

In our Prayers this week:

Please give thanks:

- * For opportunities over Easter to reflect afresh on God's love and mercy in sending Jesus into the world to die for our sins and to conquer death by rising from the dead;
- * For those who served us in so many ways at our Easter services and events;
- * For those who served in our defence forces during times of great world conflict, and especially for those who gave their lives in doing so.

Please pray for:

- * Grace and strength for Patria Stuart and her family (8.30 church) mourning the loss of her husband, and comfort for all those in our Church Family who are grieving, dealing with health issues or caring for a loved-one;
- * An end to the brutal conflict in Ukraine, comfort and strength for those facing the devastating loss of family, homes, livelihoods and infrastructure, and swift and generous responses from other nations who are able to assist;
- * Safety for school students and teachers as a new term commences;
- * Wisdom for our Nominators, and patience and goodwill for all of us as the search for a new Senior Minister continues;
- * Safety for those travelling home after the school holidays;
- * Rest and refreshment for Trevor and Ruth as they take a break during;
- * Opportunities to share the good news about Jesus to people on our 'front line';
- * Miriam Bradshaw (CMS Link Missionary in Spain), and Yosef & Danica, (serving with YWAM in Mexico) - for safety, good health and opportunities to share the true message of Jesus in their communities;

Daily Bible Readings

Monday	Exod 12:1-13	Friday	Col 1:1-13
Tuesday	Exod 12:14-28	Saturday	Luke 19:28-47
Wednesday	Ps 118:1-29	Sunday	John 12:12-19
Thursday	Zech 9:1-17		

Thought for the week

"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord....."
Luke 19:38

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***

Welcome

*Thank you for joining us today,
and a **special welcome** if you are visiting.*

Our (Parish) Wavelength

One of the common themes that emerged from a survey the Nominators conducted last year was that many folk would like to feel a greater sense of being **one** church family, (with two centres and four Sunday meetings). As a small contribution to this our **Wavelength** cover page has been refreshed to combine the previously separate pages for our Milton and Ulladulla centres.

Open Door - special invitation

On **Tuesday 3rd May** a special guest speaker, **David O'Toole** will speak at Open Door on 'Aged Care'. A warm invitation is extended to all who may like to attend Open Door on this occasion and listen to David. Open Door meets at **9.30am** at **St Martins** and intending visitors are requested to advise Meg Hammond or Janet Johnson beforehand for catering purposes.

Next Church Roster

During the coming week our volunteer Office staff will finalise a **new quarterly roster (May to July)** for those who assist at our four weekly services though special ministries such as: *Welcoming, Bible Reading, Leading Prayers*. Please let the Church Office know **TODAY, 24 April**, if you would like your name to be **added** or **deleted** from the next roster, or if there are dates in the May to July period when you know you will **not be available**.

Special note: due to problems with our church email system at present please send any 'Roster notes' direct to **Rod Hoyer** (rodandjudyhoyer@bigpond.com)

The new rosters will be available NEXT Sunday, **1st May**
(those rostered for 1st May will be advised beforehand by email or telephone)

Annual Leave

The Edwards will be on leave from tomorrow for **three weeks**. In their absence, Dave Saunders will be the first port of call for any urgent pastoral matters. We are very thankful for those who will stand in the breach to conduct services, preside at Holy Communion and preach during Trevor's absence.

Rev 1:11-20

(Text for 8.30am & 11am)

"Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea."

¹² I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. ¹⁵ His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

¹⁹ "Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. ²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Rev 2:1-7

(Text for 10.30am & 5.30pm)

"To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands. ² I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. ³ You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

⁴ Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. ⁵ Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. ⁶ But you have this in your favour: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

⁷ Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

Easter Services

All our services at both venues were well attended on Good Friday and Easter Day. We had 265 people present at the 5 services, but we had at least another 150 tuning into the livestream. People who attended expressed appreciation for the reflective and celebratory tone of the respective services.

The Devonshire Teas on Sunday morning was a great time to connect with folk and although not as busy as previous years when there was a street parade which attracted more visitors **\$715** was raised for church funds. We thank all those who worked so hard to prepare for and run the event notwithstanding the failure of electrical equipment which necessitated washing up in the old fashioned way for a short time. Special thanks to the Hospitality Team for their vision and meticulous planning for this event.

Ulladulla 8.30AM Service Schedule

At the St Martin's Annual General meeting held in February, it was requested that after consultation consideration be given to returning the Ulladulla 8.30AM service to the pre-COVID pattern of Holy Communion four Sundays per month with Morning Prayer being held on each fifth Sunday.

Well-considered and diverse feedback has been received by the Acting Senior Minister from a number of members and after prayerful consideration he has decided the best option is a compromise to commence with the new quarterly rosters at the beginning of May. **Holy Communion** will be held on the **1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays** of each month. **Morning Prayer** will be held on the **2nd Sunday** of each month (*with those desiring a weekly Communion service able to attend the 10.30am service that week*). The **5th Sunday** will remain flexible but there will be a Holy Communion service on that Sunday at one of the parish centres (*as indeed there has been for the past 12 months*).

Church email system

The **Church email** system has been out of operation since 14 April, and the best efforts of technical support people have so far been unable to rectify the problem. The fault has affected **Dave**, the **Office**, **Wavelength**, **Treasurer** and **Bookstore** email addresses. We are using 'work-around' methods to access some emails and work is continuing to fix the problem.

We extend apologies for any delays experienced in responding to messages.