

Welcome to the Anglican Parish of Bodalla and Narooma

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Mission Statement:

To love God and to love our neighbours and become an increasingly relevant presence in our community.

SUNDAY NOV 24, 2019

Prayer of the Day – “Eternal God, You exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things, & have made us instruments of His kingdom: by Your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, & to minister to all in need, then at the last bring us to Your eternal realm where we may be welcomed into Your everlasting joy & may worship and adore You for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives & reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever & ever. Amen.

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ST PAUL'S, NAROOMA:

Sundays: 9am – Eucharist.

1st Wednesdays of Month: 9am - Healing Eucharist & 3.30pm-6pm – Messy Church

Other Wednesdays: 9am – Eucharist, with Music Reflection

Musicians: Mary, David, Denise, Steve, Mick, Tim & Carol

ALL SAINTS, BODALLA:

Sundays: 11.15am – Eucharist

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 4pm – Evening Prayer.

Musicians: Len Mulley & Alma Stearn

SUNDAY NOV 24 – CHRIST the KING / The REIGN of CHRIST:

Jer 23: 1-6 *Song of Zechariah* (APBA p425) Col 1: 11-20 Luke 23: 33-43
David O Angela Y
Janie McO Jenny M

Morning Tea: Today – Mary; George Dec 1 – Jenny; Jock Wed Nov 27 – Ken H/ John M
ABM Pew Sheet Reflection 2019: “Today we see what Jesus’ kingship is about, and it’s quite the opposite of the sort of monarchy that we might see, say, in the Downton Abbey film: *Fulfilled is now what David told / in true prophetic song of old, / how God the nations’ King should be; / for God is reigning from the Tree.*”

Jesus our King has given up his life so that we might win eternal life with him.

- **Pray that** Jesus may be king of your heart.
- **Give thanks** for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.”
- **Pray for:** Selva, Julyat, Lawrence & Marya, & for a successful conclusion to their appeal.
- **Please pray** for revival, & “pray the Lord of the harvest for workers for the field.”
- **Pray for** the Tingle family, our link missionaries in Chiang Mai.
- **Give Thanks & Pray for:** **SRE: Narooma P/S** – Mandy, Prudence, Kathi – **Bodalla P/S** – Mandy & Thea; **Narooma H/S Chaplain**, Phoebe; **ISCF** – Chris & Prudence.
- **Pray Healing for:** Wendy B; Sylvia; Stephen L; Pamela J; Lindy C; Kerrie Anne; Bob B; Greg; Stephen G; **Pray Comfort** for all who grieve.
- **Please continue to pray** for healing rains across our drought & fire-ravaged nation.

Joshua in the Holy Land - Joseph F Girzone. “...**God loves His children & will heal their deepest wounds & bring beautiful things out of the most twisted souls, if parents will only learn to trust Him to repair their mistakes.** God’s love is like snow on the mountain trails. In the autumn the trail is filled with mud & dung from the passing of many animals. Then the snow falls, covering the tracks, & in the springtime the trail is filled with beautiful wildflowers.”

“There will always be pain in life & hurt. You cannot grow without it. Pain & suffering are the dark strands weaving the tapestry of your life, providing the shadows that give depth & dimension to the masterpiece God is fashioning within you... **You are made strong & refined through your hardships & struggles. They are not a punishment for sin. They are the necessary ingredients of life if you are to grow in God’s image.** If God is to mould the human clay of which you are made into something that resembles Himself, that process cannot help but be painful.

So be patient! Know that your pain is not in vain, nor is it a punishment. God is too big to pick on people when, in their weakness, they fall. When you do things that are hurtful, God, like a kind father, or more a tender mother, makes adjustments in your life to remind you that your actions are hurting others or yourself & prompts you to make changes. But God is never cruel. He accepts you where you are & is very patient as you turn ever so slowly back to His love. He weaves everything, even your sins, into good when you reach out to Him.

“Your life is really like a tapestry. You look at one side & see all the disconnected & loose ends, & say, ‘What a mess my life is!’ God sees the finished product on the other side & sighs, ‘How beautiful you have become.’ – TBC, see conclusion of article at bottom of next page.

NEXT SAT NOV 30: Tim’s Ordination – if you have “booked” a seat on the coach to Goulburn, please **be at St Paul’s by 7am**, with your packed lunch, snacks, water etc. There is a toilet on the coach & we will have a brief comfort stop at Braidwood. I will collect final payments on the bus. Many thanks, Lesley - 0419 608 800.

DEC 5, 10am – Joint Nursing Homes service of Morning Tea & Carols at All Saints.

WED DEC 11, 7pm – Combined Carols Service at Narooma Catholic Church, followed by, **catering alert**, supper at St Paul’s.

DEC 20, 7pm - Nine Lessons & Carols, at All Saints.

DEC 24, 5pm at St Paul’s - **Family Pageant**. & **11pm** at All Saints – **Holy Communion**

SUN FEB 2, 2020 - Annual Reports to Peter Tough via **email to:** toughp@pcug.org.au or **Handwritten reports** directly to Peter, or to **Ven Carol’s pigeon-hole**.

SAT FEB 22 – Consecration of Ven Carol as Assistant Bishop & Vicar General in Goulburn.

FEB 23 – Last Day for Annual Election Nominations – all positions vacant this year. Please Give Thought & Prayer as to whether you might nominate for any of the various elected positions in the Parish - Wardens; P/Councillors; Synod Reps; Clergy Appointment Board etc.
FEB 28. 4.30pm - AGM & AEM, then 6pm dinner at the Golfie.

*Christmas Cards now available at St Pauls & All Saints – still only \$1 each.
All cards are stamped inside & all proceeds go to the Parish.*

CHILDREN’S BOOKS For SALE: *exploring “Trust”, “Money” & “Rules” - beautifully illustrated, suits ages 6-12. COST: \$7 per book, of which \$2 supports the Parish – Enquiries: Di Mezzino.*

Joshua in the Holy Land (Joseph F Girzone) (cont.). “**So don’t be discouraged or lose hope. Trust Your Father in heaven. He loves you more than you can imagine. Call Him Abba. He is truly your Daddy, so tender is His love for you.**”

“He watches over your every deed, not to find fault or to judge, but because He cares. This may seem impossible, that He could be fully aware of every detail of your life, but look on the mind of God as the sun rising in the morning. Its rays penetrate every detail of creation in a single moment. God’s mind is like that sunshine, touching & penetrating all of creation in an instant. In this way He can guide & enlighten you with His wisdom & inspire you with His love.

And do not be afraid to turn your children over to Him. He is their Father & created them for a reason. He is more concerned that they accomplish the purpose for which He created them than you are & is determined they will carry out His plan. So entrust your children to Him. He will not disappoint you.

May His peace & blessing go with you each day & guide you in His own way, & along His own paths, & may you always know that He is near.” - Joshua in the Holy Land - Joseph F Girzone