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Mission Statement: "To love God, to love our neighbours, and become an increasingly relevant presence in our community."

"Our Eucharist, The Lord's Table comes in individual serves – all who seek God's mercy are welcome"

We invite visitors to sign our Visitors' Book, &

SUNDAY DEC 10, 2023 - Second Sunday of Advent: Merciful God, You sent Your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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ST PAUL'S, NAROOMA: Sundays: 9am – Eucharist.

Wednesdays, 9am – Eucharist (1st Wed – Eucharist & Prayer for Healing)

Musicians: Denise, David, Steve, Mick,

ALL SAINTS, BODALLA: Sundays: 11am – Eucharist

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 4pm – Evening Prayer *Musician:* Alma Steam

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SUNDAY DEC 10, 2023 – 2nd SUNDAY of ADVENT:

<u>SENTENCE</u>: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. For the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, & all people shall see it together. - Luke 3.4; Is 40.5a

Isaiah 40: 1-11 Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13 2 Peter 3: 8-13 Mark 1: 1-8

Greeters & Readers: Frank Celia
Intercessions: Rev'd Jane Rev'd Tim

Greeters & Counters: George & Frank Celia & Carol McC St P Morning Tea: Thea Next Sunday, 17th: Libby



2 PETER 3:8-15

ABM Pew Sheet Reflections 2023: "John the Baptist is an important figure in Advent for he prepares the way for the coming of our Lord. He appears odd and acts differently to most, calling people to repentance and making paths straight. Yet, people are drawn to him, they confess their sins, and he is busy baptising them in the river Jordan. There is still more to come and he promises the Holy Spirit."

*God, I confess my sins, and in my repentance straighten my path to holiness and truth.

*Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

*Pray Healing for: Juliat; Selva; Lindy C; Jan; Pam & Chris; Bob B; Karly; Wendy B; Stephen L; Kerrie Anne; Greg. **Pray Comfort for all who grieve.

*Pray for our Link Missionaries, the Tingle Family, working in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

*Pray for Revival; "pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest for workers in our field."

Selva, Juliat, Lawrence & Marya: Their visa has been extended, but they are still not able to work; Please continue in prayer that 'the Lord provides, keeps them in perfect peace' as they wait, & that God's plan for each of them will be realized. https://gofund.me/6985da47

• 9pm each night: The Silent Minute Prayer for Peace: - (Silent Minute Charity for Peace)

ABM: <u>'PRAY for the situation in Gaza</u> -Jerusalem Diocese asks for prayers for those in East Jerusalem affected by soaring unemployment, food shortages & neighbourhood attacks as some settlers try to push out Palestinians from their homes. To assist with our prayers, A/Bishop Hosam has made available a set of <u>Advent Reflections</u> for "our beloved partners in the Gospel of Jesus Christ". We encourage you to engage with these reflections during Advent.

To learn more, or to donate to the Gaza Emergency Appeal, please go to <a href="https://www.abmission.org/appeals/emergency-appeals/al-ahli-hospital-emergen

<u>CHRISTMAS CARDS</u> are available at both St Paul's and All Saints. The ladies have done a great job as usual. This is an important way to keep in touch with loved ones as sending a card is something tangible they can hold and appreciate that someone has thought of them. There are also some small tracts on Christmas by Max Lucado for you to take and pop in with your card, especially for family and friends who may not know the Lord.

TUES DEC 12, 2-4pm - SEW 'N SEWS: Our last craft get-together until Feb '24 so come along with your project and enjoy fellowship and afternoon tea (supplied) in the Noble Room. - Libby.



WED DEC 13, 7pm – Combined Churches Carols, at Narooma Catholic Church, followed by supper in St Paul's Hall – nibblies for sharing would be welcome, we thank you.

FRI DEC 15: 7pm at Bodalla Fire Shed – Bodalla Community Carols.

SAT DEC 16: 5pm, at Club Narooma – Narooma Carols by Candlelight – Bring a Blanket!

FRI DEC 22: 7pm at All Saints – 9 Lessons & Carols, with Montague Choristers.

SUN DEC 24, St Paul's: 9am Eucharist; 5pm Youth Pageant - kids there by 4pm please. **All Saints:10.30pm**- Christmas Eve Service. NOTE – No 11am Service today.

MON DEC 25: 9am at St Paul's – Christmas Day service.

SUN DEC 31: Services will include 'Blessing of the Diaries.' – so do bring **your** diary along!

ABM: (cont.) <u>Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza</u> is again open to serve the wounded. During the ceasefire, deliveries of fuel, anaesthesia, ICU supplies, emergency drugs & IV fluids were made to the hospital, supervised by the WHO. The hospital is the only one functioning in northern Gaza, and a huge overflow of patients is being held in the hospital's St Philip's Chapel. Most patients need more advance care and surgical intervention.

Doctors and nurses have responded to Al-Ahli's calls for help, but they still need more vascular, neuro- and orthopaedic surgeons, and more drugs and medical supplies. The Diocese & Al-Ahli are working with the UN, WHO & Red Cross/Red Crescent to address urgent needs." abmission.org