

## Welcome to the Anglican Parish of Bodalla and Narooma



Mission Statement:

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

**SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2018:**

*Prayer of the Day – “Everlasting God in whom we live & move & have our being, You have made us for Yourself, & our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You: give us purity of heart & strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing Your will, no weakness prevent us from doing it; that in Your light we may see light, & in Your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”*

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### **ST PAUL'S, NAROOMA:**

**Sundays: 9am** – Eucharist.

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays of Month: 9am** - Healing Eucharist

**& 3.30pm-6pm** – Messy Church

**Other Wednesdays: 9am** – Eucharist, with Music Reflection

### **ALL SAINTS, BODALLA:**

**Sundays: 11.15am** – Eucharist

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 4pm** – Evening Prayer

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## SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2018 – 4th SUNDAY in LENT:

Numbers 21.4-9 Ps 107.1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2.1-10 John 3.14-21  
Jenny Munro Jock  
Phil Doris

Morning Tea Today – Sally & Diana Sun 18<sup>th</sup>: Peter & Eva Wed 14<sup>th</sup>: Marie

**ABM PEW SHEET REFLECTION 2018:** “Psalm 107 recites how God has saved people from difficult situations. In today’s Eucharist readings, we are told by the Psalmist that ‘Fools were far gone in transgression: and because of their sins were afflicted’. Those fools, of course, are us, and because of God’s intervention in our lives we should praise God’s saving grace towards us.”

- **Let us thank the Lord** for his goodness: and for the wonders that he does for us; Let us offer sacrifices of thanksgiving: and tell what he has done with shouts of joy (cf. vv 21-22)
- **Pray for** the Philippines Episcopal Church, giving thanks for the work they do for God.
- **Pray for** the Tingle family, our link missionaries in Chiang Mai, & esp **for their funding needs**, see current newsletter on Notice Board.
- **Give Thanks, Pray** for SRE teachers: Mandy, Thea, Kathi, Chris; Nar HS Chaplain, Phoebe
- **Pray Healing for:** Alex; Sylvia; Stephen L; Joy J; Pamela J; Lindy C; Kerrie Anne; Bob B; Greg; Stephen G; **Pray Comfort** for all who grieve.
- **Pray for:** Selva & Julyat & their family, & for the success of their appeal for refugee status here.
- **Please pray** for a Parish Treasurer & Auditor.
- **WED FEB 14 –SUN MCH 25, 10am-4pm - 40 Day Prayer & Worship Relay**, with a focus of seeing individuals, our churches & our nation experience an outpouring of the Holy Spirit”
- **Please pray** for the Episcopal Election Nominations Committee, & Bp Trevor Edwards

### FROM BISHOP STUART:

1. “I am delighted to report that all the ‘child protection legislation’ ...was endorsed wholeheartedly by the Synod yesterday (3/3/18). This is a moment of great significance and it will set the course for ministry and pastoral care for a generation. Thanks be to God!
2. I am also pleased to report that Synod elected an Episcopal Election Nominations Committee (EENC). Many thanks to all who were willing to serve in what will be a very time-consuming, highly-focussed task group. The people elected to the EENC are:  
Clerical: **Venerable David Ruthven; Reverend James Coats; Reverend Anna Boxwell.**  
Lay: **Mr Greg Mills; Canon Bob Arthur; Dr Ingrid Moses.**
3. Bishop Trevor Edwards – as Administrator of the Diocese, will also engage with the EENC.”  
For Jesus, +Stuart. Bishop (for just 27 more days ☺) [03.03.18]

**ABM’s LENTEN APPEALS:** \*Newton Theological College in PNG, curriculum development etc.

\*The Church to Church Program, supporting a men’s mentorship program in Kenya.

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\*\*PHILIPPINES LIVELIHOODS PROJECT. Tax deductible. [www.abmission.org](http://www.abmission.org).

**TUES MAR 13, 2-4pm: SEW ‘N SEWS – Our Next Craft Afternoon**, in the Noble Room at St Paul’s. Bring your current craft project and a friend or two to enjoy fellowship and afternoon tea. See you there! Libby 44767906

**SUN MCH 18, 11.15am Combined Harvest Festival @ A/S**, followed by Bring & Share lunch.  
○ **2pm – Sorta Brass Concert** at All Saints.

**GOOD FRI MAR 30: -9am Reflections service, St Paul’s; 11am Readings + Choral, All Saints**  
?3pm: Bp Stuart’s ‘walk with the cross’ followed by open-air service, Goulburn. (Check Time!)

**SAT MCH 31, 7pm: Service of the Light, host TBA.**

**TUES APR 4, 3pm: 2018 SOMA AGM**, 29 Cedar St, Harrison. ACT. E: [contact@somaau.org](mailto:contact@somaau.org)

**SUN AUG 26 - Watoto Youth Choir:** 2 night’s accommodation needed for groups of 1 aunt, plus 2-3 children sleeping on floor, & provision of a meal one night. Community meal on other.

**RECYCLED CARDS** There are new cards at both St Paul’s and All Saints, including some for children (grandchildren) and Easter.

Thank you to all who support this fund-raising activity. – Libby.

**“START PRAYING for GOD’S FAVOUR: ‘I entreated Your favour.’ Ps 119:58 NKJV**

One moment of God’s favour will do more for you than a lifetime of striving. As you begin to walk in God’s favour, doors of opportunity open, the right people are drawn to you, & you discover ideas, strategies & resources in the most unexpected places.

Does that mean you won’t experience opposition? No; when you’re doing anything worthwhile you must expect flak from those who aren’t privy to God’s plan for your life. It goes with the turf. But the Bible says even ‘*the king’s heart is like a stream of water directed by the Lord; He guides it wherever He pleases.*’ (Prov 21:1 NLT) Like changing the direction of a moving stream, God can change people’s hearts & give you favour with those who might otherwise reject or overlook you.

Solomon writes, ‘*When a person’s ways are pleasing to the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.*’ (Prov 16:7 GWT) So, when people oppose or disagree with you, just concentrate on pleasing God & let Him deal with the fallout. He can give you blessings that, humanly speaking, you don’t deserve & qualify for. Just as the Holy Spirit enabled Jesus to fulfil His life’s mission, He will equip & enable you to fulfil His plan for your life (see Luke 4:18–19).

So, stop trying so hard to make things happen on your own terms, & **start praying for God’s favour. He has promised it to you & He keeps His promises.**” - TWFT

***“Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that’s falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?”***