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Mission Statement:

"To love God & to love our neighbours & 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"

Stay for cuppa!

We invite all visitors to sign our Visitors' Book, &

SUNDAY MARCH 19, 2023 – FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT: *"Gracious God, out of Your love and mercy You breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve You and one another: call forth our penitence & acts of love, and strengthen us to face our mortality, so that we may look with confidence for Your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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: 11.15am – Eucharist

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

Musician: Alma Steam

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SUNDAY MARCH 19, 2023 – FOURTH SUNDAY in LENT:

SENTENCE: *"Return to the Lord your God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love."* - Joel 2.13

1 Sam 16: 1-13

Psalms 23

Eph 5: 8-14

John 9: 1-41

Greeters & Readers: George Sasha G

Intercessions: Thea Di McM

Greeters & Counters: George & Frank Jen M & Di McM

ABM Pew Sheet Reflections 2023: *"A few weeks ago, I met a homeless, whose name I'm ashamed to say I don't know. While I gave what change I had I was reminded of Ps 23: "The Lord is my shepherd; I have everything I need ..." (GNB) This is, at times difficult to reconcile when confronted with the problem of homelessness endemic in many large cities. Psalm 23 reminds me that God's love is for all, pulling me out of the self-absorption and apathy that's all too easy for us to fall into this time of year and to try to find ways to love my neighbour practically. For me this reading reminds me that while I'm loved by God, 'he' loves all of his creation, and calls on us to act with love for all our neighbours helping them and acting with love and charity for those most in need."*

- **Give thanks** for the love of God, the protection and guidance provided by 'him', even if not always obvious and pray that we as a society and church can do more to help those in need
- **Give thanks** for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Kenya.
- **Pray Healing for:** Juliat (back & shoulder) & Selva (leg); Lindy C; Jan; Pam & Chris; Bob B; Marion; 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 the Lord of the harvest for workers for our field."**



Selva, Juliat, Lawrence & Marya: *"As we can imagine, they now anxiously await word from their immigration lawyer about their Ministerial Request. (Their Visa expires March 28) – so our prayer continues that "the Lord "keeps them in perfect peace as they trust in Him", (Isa 26:3); and that God's plan for each of them will be realized. – (Jer 29: 11) As Bp Carol says: "This is perhaps... when our prayers are more important than ever!"*

Donations can be made at: <https://gofund.me/6985da47> -

THANK YOU so much for your help and support over the past decade.

"May the shield of God defend us. May the host of God guard us against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May Christ be with us, Christ before us, Christ in us, Christ over us. May your salvation, O Lord, be always ours this day and forevermore."

Prayer of St Patrick

TODAY, 11.15am – HARVEST FESTIVAL at All Salnts, followed by BYO Lunch

WED MAR 22, 10.40am – MOVIE CLUB: FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS 2 (Drama/Comedy) 1hr52

CAST: James Purefoy, Sam Swainsbury, Dave Johns

“... The scenery shots of Cornwall must have been a doddle to shoot as it is the most gorgeous place on Earth. I enjoyed the most was that it is a film that you just have to watch. No studying, no complicated storyline, no sex or violence. You easily just fall into the film & at the end come away with an upbeat mood.” – Nigel Hart (online) Sounds pretty good to me!

TUES APR 4, 11am at All Saints - South Coast Clergy & Lay Leaders service, Renewal of Vows, Blessing of the Oils & Quiet Day.

WED APR 5 – 9am, St Paul's – Usual Service of Contemplation

GOOD FRIDAY AP 7: 9am Solemn Service St Paul's; **11am:** Montague Choristers. A/Saints

EASTER SUNDAY, APR 9 – 5.40am Sunrise Celebration at Kianga Point;

9am Celebration at St Paul's; 11.15am at All Saints

ABM EMERGENCY APPEAL (abmission.org.au): Vanuatu has been battered by two cyclones - Judy & Kevin plus several offshore earthquakes. - AID's partner, ACOM (Anglican Church of Melanesia) has reported that many gardens across the northern provinces of Torba, Penama & Sanma have been devastated & some schools damaged.

The church has worked hard in recent years, alongside government & other organisations, to make sure people are as well-prepared for cyclones as possible & have safe evacuation centres to go to for shelter during the worst of the storms.

However, your help is needed now to help ACOM provide urgent food and water supplies to communities in need, in the short term, & assist with school repairs and farm seeds in the medium term. We hope to raise \$20,000 through this appeal.

We ask you to pray for the people affected by these cyclones and offshore earthquakes, not only in the north, but in all parts of Vanuatu. We also ask **you to join us in praying** for the Anglican Church of Melanesia as they respond to this disaster. **Please give generously to this emergency appeal for our sisters and brothers in Vanuatu affected by cyclones.**

TWFT - **“Can God's pruning fail to produce? Sure, if we don't cooperate.**

How does God produce ‘... *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.*’ in our lives? (Gal 5:22-23^{NLT}). He produces these qualities by allowing to face situations and people with exactly the *opposite* qualities. He teaches us to love by putting us round difficult people. He teaches us patience by letting things frustrate us.

We say, ‘How can I cooperate with God?’

The Bible tells us, ¹Thess 5:16-18^{NLT} **‘Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus’**