

All interests matter

The deadline for copy for this newsletter is 9:00am the Wednesday before publication. Please send to the church office and copy to Ruth Edwards (redw7191@alumni.sydney.edu.au) Please contribute articles or ideas you have found helpful and consider sharing your personal story of God's work in your life. The more that people contribute, the more that *Wavelength* will reflect our diverse interests and insights and help us build each other up in following our Lord Jesus.

Regular Events

Open Door (ladies social & craft group) each Tuesday 9.30 - 12.00 at Ulladulla. All are welcome. Contact Lorna.

UCEF Prayer meeting every Wednesday, 1.30 - 2.30 pm at Ulladulla in school terms. Contact Helen Wilford.

Prayer Meeting every Thursday, 3pm at Ulladulla. Contact Viv.

Friday Life for youth: Yr 5, 6 and high school. Every Friday, 3.30 – 5:30 pm at Ulladulla in school terms.

Life Groups, weekly at different times. See noticeboards or church leaders.

Cake Sunday last Sunday of the month 10 am Milton Anglican Church

Services at Residential Homes Every third Tuesday, 10:30 am at Sarah Claydon; every 4th Sunday at 10 am at Arcare. Contact Frank Gee to offer support.

Ladies Lunch, first Friday of each month, midday. Contact Meg Hoogesteger.

Community Breakfast: Last Friday of each month.

Contact Geoff Brown or Pam Wilmington.

CONTACT DETAILS

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Bank Details:

St Martins, Ulladulla

Ss Peter & Paul, Milton



2nd August 2026

Preacher: Trevor Edwards

Title: Gospel Priorities

Readings: (1) Genesis 50:15-21 (2) Philippians 1:12-30



*Thank you for joining with God's people here.
We are always glad to have visitors and inquirers.*

HERE FOR JESUS, HERE FOR THE COAST

SOUTH COAST ANGLICAN CHURCH



St Martin's, Ulladulla @ 9 am & 4 pm
St Peter's and St Paul's, Milton @ 11 am

Philippians 1:12-30

¹² Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters,^[a] that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. ¹³ As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ¹⁴ And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

¹⁵ It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ¹⁶ The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. ¹⁸ But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, ¹⁹ for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. ²⁰ I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. ²² If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labour for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! ²³ I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; ²⁴ but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

²⁷ Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit,^[a] striving together as one for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, ³⁰ since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.



Are you new or visiting?

We are very glad you have joined us today. If you would like to know more about our church and its programs or you want to give feedback from your visit, please use the QR code or speak with a church leader.



Your Parish Council

The most recent Parish Council meeting occurred on Monday 20th July, 2026.

Significant matters discussed were:

- dealing in a godly way with the current ministry situation.
- ongoing work on Milton church.
- appropriate responses to unexpected extra expenses.
- how to gain most benefit from the newly set up Elvanto system.
- further improving our internal communications.

Minutes are available on the church noticeboards.

Please read and ask a parish councillor about matters of interest.

Coming Events

The National Grandparents Conference will be streamed at St Martin's on Saturday 29th August from 9:00 — 4:30 pm. To register and pay \$24 per person for lunch, contact Sharon Pratt by 15th August.

Safe Waters Community Care invites you to their Open Day, Monday 3rd August 10.00am -1.00pm. Come and see the Crisis Accommodation Shelter at 100 St Vincent Street, Ulladulla, and meet the friendly staff and volunteers. Discover how Safe Waters is making a positive difference in our community. Free sausage sizzle provided by the Lions Club of Ulladulla.

Ladies Lunch: the venue for Friday 7th August is Ulladulla Bowlo.



Watch out! Scammer Alert!

Through clever deception, scammers infiltrated our email data base and impersonated Aiden to create an email which looked like a genuine request for a charitable donation. They gained access to email addresses of most congregation members. **DON'T PANIC** but **DO BE CAREFUL**. The scammers may pretend to be another member of our church with an email that is almost the real one. If you have any suspicions at all delete the email. If it is someone you interact with, ring them and check. Hover your cursor over the name to find out the email address being used. If it is not the right one, press delete and report as scam. Clergy or members of this church will never ask for any donations via email and any hint of monetary transactions warns you not to proceed. We'll be re-running this information regularly because scammers will want to take us by surprise, when we think the issue is over.

Electronic Donation Point

We now have a Donation Point tap machine at the back of Ulladulla church. This is a great way for regulars or those visiting our church to donate without carrying cash. With one tap of their card the donation is made. If you would like more information talk to Geoff Brown.



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One Foot in Eden

*One foot in Eden still, I stand
And look across the other land.
The world's great day is growing late,
Yet strange these fields that we have planted
So long with crops of love and hate.
Time's handiworks by time are haunted,
And nothing now can separate
The corn and tares compactly grown.
The armorial weed in stillness bound
About the stalk; these are our own.
Evil and good stand thick around
In fields of charity and sin
Where we shall lead our harvest in.*

*Yet still from Eden springs the root
As clean as on the starting day.
Time takes the foliage and the fruit
And burns the archetypal leaf
To shapes of terror and of grief
Scattered along the winter way.
But famished field and blackened tree
Bear flowers in Eden never known.
Blossoms of grief and charity
Bloom in these darkened fields alone.
What had Eden ever to say
Of hope and faith and pity and love
Until was buried all its day
And memory found its treasure trove?
Strange blessings never in Paradise
Fall from these beclouded skies.*

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Responding to stress and crisis

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Let us then seek the help of God's Spirit to keep on acting rightly; to keep on lovingly caring for each other; to keep on faithfully praying and reading the Bible and to keep on coming to church regularly to worship God and be equipped to follow and serve Jesus in a lost world.

It is my desire to seek to care for all in these congregations, so that together we keep on trusting Jesus, who has promised to work out all things for the ultimate good of his people. It is Jesus who has saved us and whom we serve, so let us work together for God's glory in this place where He has put us.

Bishop Trevor Edwards

Evening Prayer Time.

If we are to resist evil we must pray together and encourage each other to persevere as Christians, so our first evening prayer meeting will happen from 7:00 - 8:15 pm Tuesday 11th August at St Martin's.

The desirability of having this came out of the prayer surveys in Term 1.

Pray for:

- our church members to focus on trusting Jesus and serving each other with love, kindness and forgiveness.
- truth and justice to prevail in this time of trial for our church.
- those grieving the gap in their lives caused by the recent deaths of Sheila Gallant and Maureen Maling.
- governments to promote the common good, not party power.
- a strong and effective Christian witness, like yeast in the dough, in our society.
- those experiencing persecution, disasters and wars.
- those serving God in other countries & contexts: Miriam Bradshaw & the Vegas.
- local hospital chaplains and those caring for the disadvantaged in our society.
- all those ministering to children in our schools and in Friday Life.
- Walter McLeod who is in hospital in Wollongong.



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