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## The Buzz

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# Patronal Festival — All Saints Day 2021

We observed our Patronal Festival on 31st October this year. It was a double celebration, as we were finally able to share in the Eucharist and have music and singing again after weeks of going in and out of lockdown and Covid restrictions. It was



joy to listen to the Macleay Music Ensemble as they played some old favourite hymns. It was also our first small re-introduction back to a sung liturgy, which we are looking forward to more of.

2 November was All Souls Day—a time to remember and give thanks for those who have gone on ahead. Father Jesse visited cemeteries around the valley in the morning, praying with those who



were
remembering
loved
ones. In
the
evening

he conducted a moving service of remembrance as we cherished the memories of those we have lost.

#### **All Souls Day**

### **Special Birthdays**

Jean Cooper celebrated her 100th birthday on November 11, surrounded by friends and family. Jean has been a part of the Frederickton congregation for years. She has also been recognised for her tireless work as a nurse in World War II. Happy birthday, Jean—you are an inspiration.



Jean and her sister, Betty, with Father Jesse



On the subject of birthdays, our very own Father Jesse celebrated his first birthday in Kempsey. As did his puppy, Rev. Goodboy. Here's to many more birthdays in the Macleay Valley!

#### **Council Elections 2021**

The Anglican Church is actively doing its bit to be a dynamic hub for the community in this valley. Local government elections are going to be held in the church hall this December, with pre-polling already started. Come and be a part of shaping the political land-



scape of our community, and pray for our leaders-to -be and all the people who come through the church premises.