
El Corazón

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Hello and welcome once again to the September edition of El Corazón.

Lots going on this month in the church, more details can be found inside this edition, alongside:

- [Fr Louis](#) shares a poem for us to consider.
- [Michael](#) continues to look at military personnel who are buried in the War Grave section of the English Cemetery, this month Sergeant Frances William Calladine..
- [Colin](#) gives an insight into John Coleridge Patteson, First Bishop of Melanesia.
- As ever, there are full details of all the upcoming services and events.

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Mike and Jo Eaton



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Fr. Louis Darrant, Chaplain

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A Word in Season

Fr. Louis Darrant

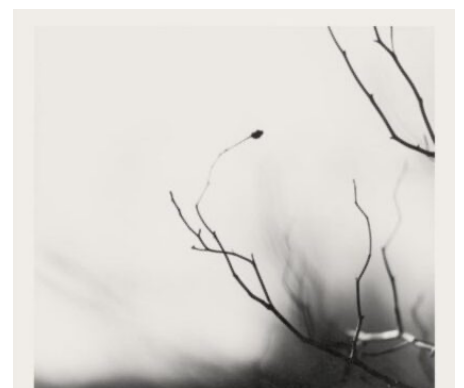


The Peace of Wild Things

Wendell Berry

(August 5, 1934 – August 31, 2026)

When despair for the world grows in me
and I wake in the night at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,
I go and lie down where the wood drake
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.
I come into the peace of wild things
who do not tax their lives with forethought
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
waiting with their light. For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.



SO NOW YOU KNOW



HISTORICAL JOTTINGS usually relating to St. George's Church, Malaga.

The 47th in a series prepared for your interest and enjoyment by
Michael Edwards

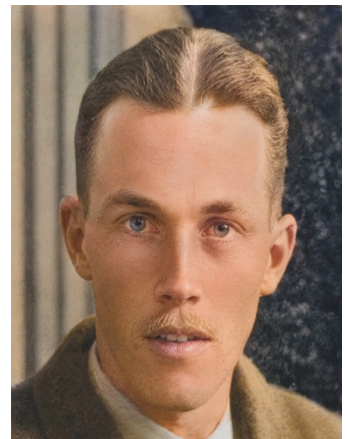


The flag of the Royal Air Force.

In this Jotting I continue my current series, that is, striving to obtain information relating to the four military men who are interred and honoured within the Official War Graves Section of the English Cemetery in Malaga.

In my last couple of published Jottings I have featured the Royal Naval Commander, Wallace Douglas Stranack followed by the Australian Airman and Pilot, Flying Officer John McGregor Maughan Patterson.

In this Jotting I shall report on another young airman, **Sergeant Francis William Calladine**, Royal Air Force Voluntary Reserve (Service No.927937) who died in action at the tender age of 22 years on the 31st December, 1942. The English Cemetery Burial Records record that Sergeant Calladine was a single man and buried in the Cemetery after the Second World War on the 2nd April ,1946 within Grave No.504F. He was the son of William and Florence Caladine of Carlton, Nottinghamshire, England.



Sergeant Caladine.



A Vickers Wellington heavy twin-engined Bomber.

Sergeant Calladine, a Wireless Operator and Air Gunner served with No.179 Squadron as part of a six man crew on a Vickers Wellington heavy twin-engined bomber Mark VIII, Serial No. HX738 .

This aircraft and crew were tasked with vital anti-submarine warfare and reconnaissance out of Gibraltar to

protect Allied Shipping in the Mediterranean and Straits.

On the 31st December, just after the Christmas of 1942 when the aircraft was on patrol it suffered a catastrophic failure and crashed into the sea 19 miles West of Gibraltar and sank.



The Military Air Station at Gibraltar.



Sergeant Caladine and 3 others of the 6 man crew died in the accident. Only 2 airmen survived.

Of those who died the only body recovered was that of Sergeant Caladine, who's body was washed up later in Marbella. The others who perished that day were listed as " Missing in Action " or (MIA).

Sergeant Caladine was initially buried in the Municipal Cemetery in Marbella.

On Sergeant Caladine's Official War Grave in the English Cemetery in Malaga is inscribed the following text " Lest we forget he gave a young and wholesome life for everlasting peace. " RIP.

SO NOW YOU KNOW

MICHAEL EDWARDS.

SEPTEMBER NOTABLES

John Coleridge Patteson, First Bishop of Melanesia 1827-1871, and his Companions, Martyrs.



Born in 1827 and brought up in a highly privileged environment, John Coleridge Patteson was ordained in 1853.

The following year he was recruited by Bishop George Selwyn, Bishop of New Zealand, to oversee the Church's work in the Melanesian part (today's Vanuatu and Solomon Islands) of that vast diocese, leaving Selwyn to concentrate on New Zealand itself.

An exceptional linguist, he learned Maori on the outward voyage so as to be able to use it on arrival in New Zealand.

In due course he was to master 24 of the 96 languages of Melanesia. In 1861 the diocese of New Zealand was split and he was consecrated missionary Bishop of Melanesia.

The long distances he was required to travel in order to minister to the people of his widespread diocese and the isolation and loneliness that he experienced gradually took their toll. His health declined and those who met him were shocked at how quickly he had aged.

Yet his warm personality and a distinct lack of episcopal pomp endeared Patteson to all those with whom he came into contact. The Presbyterian missionary John Geddie, for example, described the bishop as ‘a man of the most lovely Christian character and singular devotedness’.

An innovator in missionary work, Patteson began to query the traditional Victorian connection between Christianity and literacy, questioning its relevance for adults in non-literate society. He also affirmed the value of indigenous cultures, so often routinely condemned by European missionaries. I have for years thought that we seek in our missions a great deal too much to make English Christians of our converts. We consciously and unanimously assume English Christianity to be necessary. One mistake of this kind was to suppose clothing essential. He aimed to disturb as little as possible the manners and customs of the people among whom he worked and lived.

Patteson was clubbed to death on Nukapu island in the Santa Cruz group on the 20th of September 1871. Joseph Atkin and Stephen Taroaniara, his companions, were hit by a hail of arrows, and subsequently died of tetanus. This was almost certainly a revenge killing after local men and boys had been kidnapped to work on the Queensland cotton plantations. When Patteson’s body was later recovered from a boat floating in the island’s lagoon, it was found to bear five wounds clearly caused after death, and in his hands was a palm branch with five knots. Historians have suggested that these symbolized revenge for five men who had been kidnapped from the islands, but to the Melanesian faithful a comparison with the *stigmata* of Christ was irresistible.

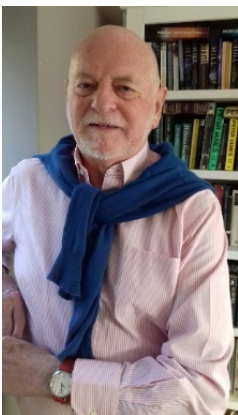
(Adapted from “Saints on Earth” a biographical companion to Common Worship – Darch & Burns Published by Church House Publishing)

John Coleridge Patteson and his Companions are commemorated in the CofE Common Worship lectionary on September 20th.

Major Feasts in September:

**September 14th
September 21st
September 29th**

**Holy Cross Day;
St Matthew, Apostle;
St Michael & All Angels**



Colin Somerville



September 2026

WHAT'S ON AT ST GEORGE'S



ST GEORGE'S CHURCH
MÁLAGA

AN EVENING WITH

JOHN PIENAAR

THE STATE OF THE WORLD

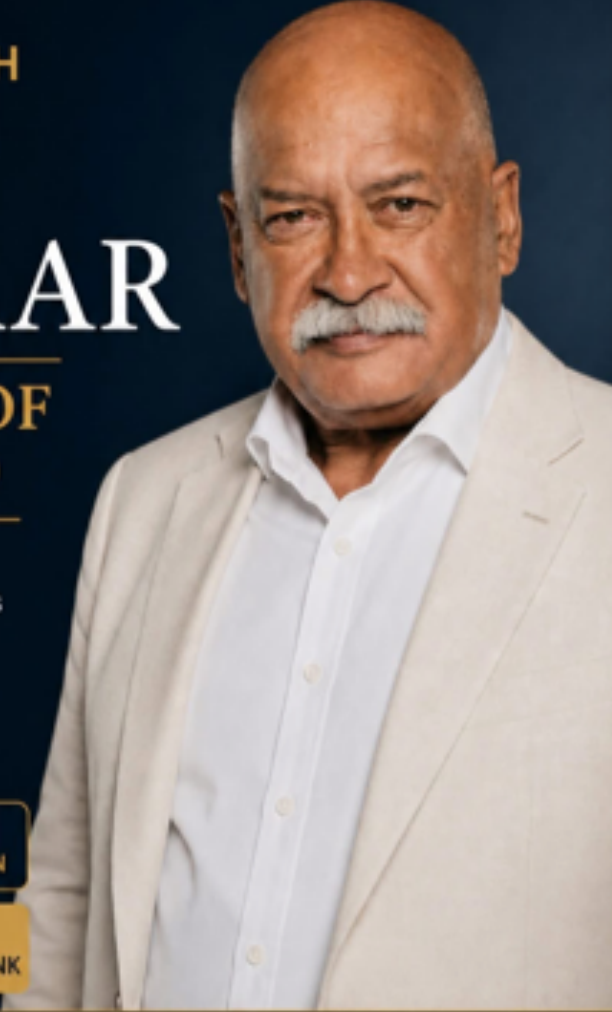
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COMPLIMENTARY FREE DRINK





FRIDAY
11 SEPTEMBER
2026



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7.30 PM



TALK STARTS
8.00 PM



TICKETS
20€



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welcome*

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Campestre Arts Festival, September 15-18, Iznájar

The Campestre Arts Festival takes place 15th to 18th September 2026, It started life in 2023 at Fr Hilary's cortijo, Casa Campestre, in the village of Fuente del Conde, in Cordoba province. Having expanded significantly, it will take place this year in the beautiful [Caserío de Iznájar](#) hotel. You are very welcome to join us.

The festival, which runs each day from 7.30pm – 11pm, supports St George's partner, the charity Age in Spain – the first national charity in Spain dedicated to the welfare of English-speaking older people. More details [here](#).

Campestre Arts can best be described as a pop-up art gallery, displaying paintings & sculptures by local artists. There is an opportunity to purchase their works, and a percentage of the sales goes to Age in Spain. Further details at the Festival website [here](#).

We are hoping to arrange transport for people coming up from Malaga and the costas for the opening night, 15th September. Typically some 40% of the art is sold on that night, making it a very attractive night to visit. To manage numbers, we are asking people to buy a ticket for the first night in advance, for a modest €10. Not only does this guarantee entry, but it also covers the cost of a welcome drink, canapes, live music and entry to the raffle!



Details of transport options and any other information, contact Fr Hilary by [email](#) or [WhatsApp](#). In the meantime, you can book your ticket to the opening night [here](#) or via the QR code.

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in operatic proportions
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SATURDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2026

BAR OPENS: 7.15 PM

CONCERT STARTS: 8.00 PM

TICKETS: 25 €

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