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Readings for: 30 May

9am St Paul's
9am All Souls

Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8: 12-17
John 3:1-17



Sunday 23rd May 2021
Penetcost Sunday



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*A Christian presence in the community, living by faith,
known by love, sharing a voice of hope.*

Acknowledgement of Country

We, the Anglican Ministry of Byron, acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of this land. We pay tribute and respect to the elders of these nations and people, both past and present. We acknowledge their connection with and care for this country.

All are welcome in Anglican Ministry Area of Byron

Message from Locum Rector - Rev Sandra

Dear People of Faith,

Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost at *Hazeldene*, Coopers Shoot and share in the hospitality of Jack and Hilda Richards. We are so blessed to have such generous people in our Community, like Hilda and Jack. We are so blessed to be together today in unity as a Community at our Combined Parish Service - in such a beautiful part of the world.

Pentecost is the celebration of the Holy Spirit – the breath of God. And nothing breathes more strongly than the promise and presence of the Spirit as described in John Chapters 14 to 17 in the “Farewell Discourse” of Jesus. We have heard portions of these Chapters during the last several Sundays of Easter.

Jesus promises the coming of the Spirit, the Advocate (*parakletos*). He explains that the mission and sending of the Spirit occurs by his authority and he assures us that this Spirit – the Holy Spirit - can be trusted as true. The Spirit comes from the Father and the Spirit exercises its mission – not in bearing witness to itself – but rather in testifying to the Good News (the Gospel) already made known in the Resurrection of the Son (15.26).

So, the witness of the Spirit has a two-fold focus. First focus is in the Spirit’s witness on behalf of Jesus. And that witness about Jesus has at least two aspects. It is a witness that the Mission of the Father and the Son has indeed been completed.

The cross was not some travesty or failure of God’s intent.

The Word became flesh and dwelled among us. It was necessary that the Son be “lifted up” on the Cross so as to confirm the

Prayer Request Judith, Hilary and Paul, Steve & Jenny, Tony, Fr Gary & Robyn Priest, Lorretta, Chris, Donna, David Williams

For the work of the Community Centres and their work with the homeless.

The Liberation Larder, The Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre, for the Ministry of Anglicare, for the Ministry of Byron Bay & Mullumbimby Christian Education.

Weekly Happenings

Week Commencing 24 May 2021

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-4pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm
SUNDAY 30 May	9am Byron Bay 9am Bangalow

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 10am-2pm
Saturday: 9.30am-12.30pm.

Byron Bay Tuesday—Friday 9.30am-1.30pm
Saturday 9.30am –12.30pm

Mullumbimby Monday-Friday 9.30am-3.30pm
Saturday 9am-12pm.

Wardens Patricia Ellis (Rector’s Warden), Ian White.

Bulletin News Items

For inclusion in the weekly bulletin please forward to Sue Williams by Wednesday morning by 12 noon. Sue Williams Phone 66856431 Email: admin@byronanglicans.org.au

Mission of the Month

Anglican Flood Relief through the Diocese of Grafton. This is a worthwhile and much needed charity in our region. Please consider giving generously.

29 May 3pm Farewell Rev Sandra

An invitation to all the Parish to a farewell gathering for Rev Sandra at 20 Blackwood Crescent , Bangalow – opposite the Bowlo. PLEASE RSVP to any of following – 66870441; 0412 242 355; or email pbellis2@bigpond.com by 25th May.

5 June – 10am Thanksgiving Service at St Oswald’s Church, Broken Head.

Refreshments to follow in the grounds.

Celebrant: Archdeacon Matthew Jones and Preacher The Rev’d Richard Brown.

Enquiries to Rev’d Sandra or Ian White.



18 June Faithfulness in Service

Ballina Parish Hall 24 Burnett St Ballina 10am. This training must be completed by Clergy, LLMs, paid employees, leaders of Parish Ministries, office volunteers, Op volunteers and hospital and aged care visitors. Completed forms need to be returned to John Bryen directly as per the form or to the Parish Office.

Parish Prayer Request:

Mission The Buttery,
Chief Executive Officer Ms Leone Craydon, **Chair** Sandy Lockhart

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team Bishop The Right Rev’d Dr Murray Harvey

Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks

Dean The Rev’d. Dr Greg Jenks

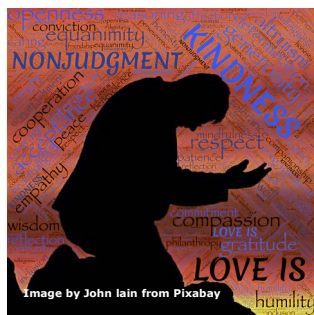
Mission Companion Archdeacon Gail Hagon

The Diocese of Northern Territory Bishop Greg Anderson & Annette, Clergy & Laity.

The Parish of Tweeds Heads

The Rev’d Dway Goon Chew & Leeza, The Rev’d Sue Woodcock, The Rev’d Michael Lazarus, The Rev’d Cameron Smith.

LLM John, Maria, Adrian, Deborah, Yvonne.



depth of the Father’s love for the world (Jn.3.14-17).

And it was at the point of being lifted up on the Cross – just before he died, that Jesus the Son of God, declared the fulfilment of that mission and said [Gk `tetelestai]’- ‘It is finished’ - “It is accomplished”.

A second aspect of this witness is that the Spirit gives power to the community of believers – not to identify themselves as abandoned, or forsaken, but rather as *empowered* – *Holy Spirit powered!* They are sent to bear witness to the world - that through the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus – God’s love has indeed been made real and present for all the world to see.

“For God sent the Son into the world, not for the purpose of standing in judgment over the world, but in order that through him the world might be saved”. (John 3:17).

READINGS FOR TODAY

Acts 2.1-21 - Pentecost was held 50 days after Passover – and was also called “The Festival of First Harvest”. It was one of three major annual festivals (Deuteronomy 16:16), a festival of thanksgiving for the harvested crops. Jesus was crucified at Passover time and he ascended 40 days after his Resurrection. The Holy Spirit came 50 days after the Resurrection, 10 days after the Ascension of Christ. Jews of many nations had gathered in Jerusalem for this festival. Therefore, Peter’s speech was given to an international audience, and it resulted in a worldwide harvest of new believers – the first converts to Christianity.

Psalm 104:26-36 – This Psalm is about appreciating God through creation. God not only creates, but maintains the Creation and the Lord’s care is the source of our joy.

Romans 8.22-27 – Christians have hope for future glory and look forward to the new heaven and new earth that God has promised, and they wait for God’s new order that will free the world from sin, sickness and evil. In the meantime, Christians go with Christ into the world where they heal people’s bodies and

souls and fight against the negative effects of sin in the world. We look ahead with hope and trust toward that complete change of body and personality that lies beyond this life, when we will be like Christ. As a believer we are not left to our own resources to cope with problems. Even when we don't know the right words to pray, the Holy Spirit prays with and for us, and God answers. We are to ask the Holy Spirit to intercede for us "in harmony with God's will" and then we bring our requests to God, we are to trust that God will always do what is best – even if the answer is No to some of our questions.

John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15 – Once again Jesus offers hope. The Holy Spirit gives strength to endure the unreasonable hatred and evil in the world and the hostility many have toward those who live in Christ. Jesus uses two names for the Holy Spirit "Advocate" and "Spirit of Truth". *Spirit of Truth* points to the teaching, illuminating, and reminding work of the Spirit. The Holy Spirit ministers to both the head and the heart, and both dimensions are important. God wants us to know we are not alone. We have the Holy Spirit to comfort and sustain us, to teach us truth and to help us in our Christian journey.

My friends, this following week is what is known as an Ember week. It is appropriate for prayers to be said for the Ordained Ministry of the Church and you can use the *Litany for Ministry* on Page 192 of A Prayer Book for Australia or *Litany for the Holy Spirit* on page 196.

I also offer you the following Prayer for Ministry:

God our Shepherd,
In every generation you call
Ministers of your word and sacraments.
Equip them to preach the gospel,
To care for your people
And to show forth the fruit of the spirit in their lives;
In the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen. (APBA p.211).

May God bless each and every one of you, and those whom you love.

Revd. Sandra Kjellgren
Locum Rector

Parish News

Appointment of Indefinite Locum

As we farewell The Rev. Sandra Kjellgren as our full time Locum Rector on 31 May we are delighted to welcome news from Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks that Archdeacon Greg Ezzy will commence as Intentional Locum Rector for Byron Ministry Area for an indefinite period or until permanent Rector is appointed as from 1 June. Archdeacon Greg will be a half time appointment and will work across different days for flexibility in the half time appointment. Please welcome Archdeacon Greg when he commences on 1 June. Churchwardens - Laura East, Patricia Ellis and Ian White.

Rosters In each of our centres there are forms for you to put your name down for reading, prayers, welcoming/COVID help & morning tea. These are important roles in the running of the centres each Sunday. **Please take the time to prayerfully consider if you can help and put your name down maybe in a centre you don't normally visit.**

Community Outreach within our Parish

Feeding the Community Donations of non-perishable food items e.g. Baked Beans, tinned fish, tinned spaghetti, pasta, rice, biscuits etc. can now be left at the churches for collection.

Diary Dates

Sunday Service 30 May Trinity Sunday

9am St Paul's Byron Bay

9am All Souls Bangalow

You will be able to register using the QR Code or by giving your details on the day.

27 May—10am Biggest Morning Tea Bangalow Hall

The Bangalow Quilters have extended an invitation for us to join them in raising money for the Cancer Council while enjoying a delicious morning tea with great company. Cost \$5.