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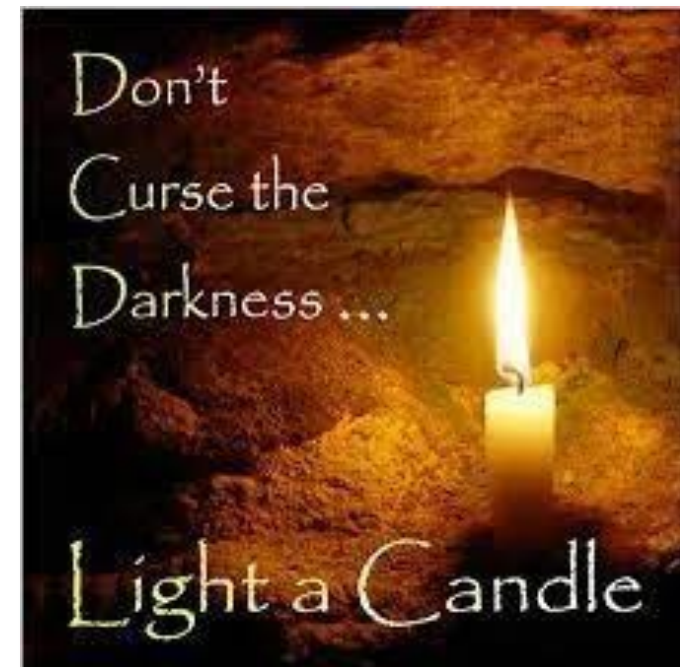
**Acknowledgement of Country**

*We, acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of this land.  
We pay tribute and respect to the elders both past and present.*



Sunday 22nd August 2021  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**All are welcome**



*In this time of COVID and when our frustrations with issues or people arise, allow the light of Christ to burn brightly and shine The Way forward.*

**FROM PARISH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE WHO MET BY  
ZOOM THIS WEEK**

**ARE YOU OK?**

During lockdown, we are endeavouring to communicate with all parishioners by the Bulletin in email or hard copy form. We will also endeavour to make contact by phone. But recognizing that lockdowns are creating a variety of issues for people, please feel free to contact clergy or parish councillors via the parish phone 02 6666843552. Together we live into being a Christian presence in the community, living by faith, known by love, sharing a voice of hope.

**PREPARING FOR NEW PARISH MINISTRY LEADER**

We are planning for Reverends Grahame and Brenda's arrival and Grahame's Commissioning on 17 September, recognizing that all plans in this time of COVID require a degree of flexibility. The Rectory at Suffolk Park is also being prepared for their arrival. A farewell is being planned for Archdeacon Greg on Saturday 11 September at Bangalow.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Parishioners continue to faithfully contribute their offerings for the ministry of the church through offering envelopes or direct payment from their bank. The latter method is becoming an increasingly practical way of faithful and regular giving, and for those who use the parish envelopes, the next sets will be from a new supplier, that enables the parish giving to missions to be allocated in line with parish policies.

**FOOD PANTRY AT BANGALOW**

Ongoing positive discussions with Anglicare has created the possibility of their food van operating in the Bangalow Op Shop car park in conjunction with a parish food pantry, complementing this outreach into the community already practiced in Mullumbimby.

# Weekly Happenings

**Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone**

<b>TUESDAY</b>	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Byron Bay Office 9am-4pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm

**SUNDAY 22 August Services cancelled due to lockdown**

**Op Shop Opening Hours**

<b>Bangalow</b>	closed due to lockdown
<b>Byron Bay</b>	closed due to lockdown
<b>Mullumbimby</b>	closed due to lockdown

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**Bulletin News Items**

For inclusion in the weekly bulletin please forward to Sue Williams by Wednesday morning. Sue Williams Phone 66843552 Email: [admin@byronanglicans.org.au](mailto:admin@byronanglicans.org.au)

**Mission of the Month**

**Shaping Outcomes** is a not-for-profit National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Provider focusing on early childhood intervention programs for children with disabilities. Please consider giving generously.

### **Prayer Focus This Week:**

SOMA (Sharing of Ministries Abroad)  
Bishop Ian Lambert

### **Diocese of Grafton**

Community of the Sisters of the Church

### **Diocese of the Murray**

Bishop Keith Dalby & Alice  
Clergy & Laity

### **The Parish of South Grafton**

The Rev'd Tim Waghorn & Gail  
The Rev'd Jenny Parker & Ian

### **Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team**

#### **Bishop**

The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

**Archdeacon** Tiffany Sparks

**Dean** The Rev'd. Dr Greg Jenks

### **Local Prayer Focus** Judith, Hilary and Paul, Tony,

Fr Gary & Robyn Priest, Lorretta, Chris, John, Margaret Harvey,  
David Williams, Matthew, Ros Gower.

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless.

The Liberation Larder,

The Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre,

Ministry of Byron Bay & Mullumbimby Christian Education.

A sheet has been prepared for those requesting prayers and is inside the Churches for your use. Please fill in and give to Sue Williams.



### **BANGALOW SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION**

Patricia continues to oversee the development of this exciting development in conjunction with the Buttery and Anglicare for residents moving back into the community following their rehabilitation.

### **Readings:**

#### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Ephesians 6:10-20, Psalm 84, John 6:56-69

#### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>**

James 1:17-27, Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9, Mark 7:1-8, 14-23

### **Worship Services: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

On-line services available with a recommendation to Google Alstonville Anglicans Facebook page 9am or Alstonville Anglicans website [anglicans.live](http://anglicans.live) click on the 'Watch Sunday service here' button from 9am.

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>** – COVID permitting

Byron Bay 9am, Mullumbimby 9am.

### **From Bishop Murray**

It's clear that the Delta variant is dangerous and seems to be well ahead of contact tracing efforts. The case numbers in Sydney continue to rise despite an extended lockdown there. There seems to be no end in sight, and many, including the experts, are placing their hopes in vaccination rates reaching desired levels, rather than simply aiming to bring local transmission to zero. Effectively we are now looking at weeks of lockdowns, reduced movement and other restrictions.

All this brings uncertainty and ongoing anxiety. I am reminded of 1 Peter 1:21, "*Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.*" The

author of the First Letter of Peter is writing to followers of Jesus who are exiles, dispersed in the foreign lands of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia. In uncertain and difficult times, the writer calls these early Christians to trust in the truth of the Resurrection, to put their faith and hope in God, and work to restore, support and strengthen those who are suffering (1 Peter 5:9-10).

In the midst of the ever changing COVID-19 pandemic, we are reminded to put our faith, hope and trust in God who raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory. We are called to participate in God's mission – in all that God wants and needs us to be at this time for our communities and for each other. I know that you are already drawing on insights and learnings from the 2020 lockdown and that you are able to be present and connected with your people in creative ways, for which I give thanks to God.

Loving God,

guiding the people of Grafton Diocese  
faithfully through the years:

We thank you for saints who have marked our path,  
young and old, known and unknown,  
from all places and in all walks of life.

Help us to find your way through these uncertain times:

Guide us how to hold on to the best of both old and new

that we might be transformed by your truth,

share your life and bless our communities;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord who both wept and rejoiced.

Amen.

## **Parish News**

### **COVID Lockdown**

There are currently stay at home orders in place for our area. This means no church services, no meetings and no Op Shops.

**OP Shop Byron Bay Volunteers Needed** Looking for something to fill your time or need some social interaction? The Byron Op Shop is in need of volunteers. If you are interested please contact Coordinator Cathy 0432 606 849

### **Parish Roll Update**

We are updating our Parish Roll. There are forms at the churches for you to complete and return to the Office Manager.

**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.

### **Prayer by John Birch**

Guiding God  
Be with us  
In our going out  
And coming home.  
In our journeying  
And returning  
In our decision making  
And organising.

Guarding God,  
Be with us  
Through the calm  
And storm  
Be our helper  
When we're falling

Gracious God  
Walk with us  
Every moment  
Of this new day.