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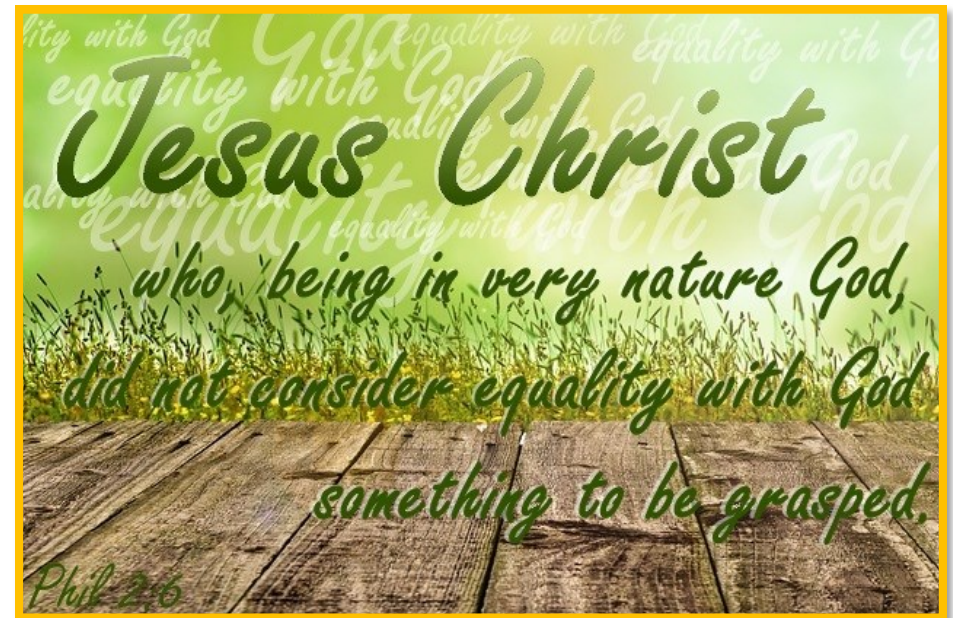
**Acknowledgement of Country**

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



Sunday 17th October 2021  
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

**All are welcome**



The Reflectionary

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

## From Grahame

In worship last week we heard Job challenge God, reminding God that Job had spoken a couple of times and was waiting for a suitable reply. Job had begun to wonder if God was listening. In our reading set for this week God replies, putting things in perspective. This is the creator of the universe Job has questioned. Who does Job really think he is? God was speaking the world into existence and separating land from sea before Job even knew what a piece of broken pottery was.

Then we fast forward to Mark chapter 10 to find that the lessons of Job have been forgotten. James and John with the best of intentions, they believe, give Jesus the compliment of offering to sit one on his right and one on his left. We assume that they have worked out amongst themselves who will take the left and who the right or perhaps this is an argument they intend to have later.

James and John seek to take their position as part of the inner circle of disciples in this world into eternity. They just don't get it! Job questions the creator about the speed with which his petitions are answered and now the disciples are trying to get one up on each other for a place in Heaven.

These are characteristics which are familiar to us, they are human characteristics, but we don't like seeing them in our Bible heroes any more than we like seeing them in the world around us today. In Australia we have something called the tall poppy syndrome. But this is not about being down on someone because they have achieved. It is about questioning whether our achievements are a guarantee of a preferred status. We have a colloquialism which suggests someone may be getting a bit 'full of themselves'. Job started to think his faithfulness entitled him to a special hearing but once he

# 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

## **Services Sunday 31st October**

9am St Martin's Mullumbimby

## **Op Shop Opening Hours**

<b>Bangalow</b>	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 10am-2pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
<b>Byron Bay</b>	Wednesday - Saturday 9.30am-1.30pm
<b>Mullumbimby</b>	Monday-Friday 9.30am-3.30pm Saturday 9am-12pm.

## **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

## **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:

**Mission** Anglican Cursillo Movement  
**National Lay Director** Mr Jim Warland

**Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team**

**Bishop**

The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

**Archdeacon** Tiffany Sparks

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



**The Diocese of Perth** Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy & Jeri,  
Bishop Jeremy James & Lynne, Bishop Kate Wilmot, Clergy &  
Laity.

**The Parish of Nambucca Valley:** The Rev'd Clyde  
Appleby & Linda. **LLM** Lesle, Sheralee, David, Jan, Sue,  
Brian, Yvonne, Graham, Anne, Paul.

## Local Prayer Focus

Judith, Hilary and Paul, Tony, Fr Gary & Robyn Priest,  
Lorretta, Chris, John, Margaret Harvey, David Williams, Mat-  
thew, Ros Gower, Lucy.

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.

started on that road his faithfulness was lost. James and John believed they were faithful servants of Jesus yet as soon as they thought this would give them a preferred position in the kingdom to come their faithfulness was lost.

Each of us achieves in our own way with the gifts we have been given and how we are placed in the glory which follows this earthly existence is not for us to say. May we never forget we are a team chosen by God. God's Team, and may we remain faithful members of it.

## Vaccination Update

Due to the current CoVid-19 restrictions introduced on 11 October, we will not be able to gather for worship in our church buildings until at least 25 October. In the meantime, please take the opportunity to explore some of the options for online worship available through links on the Grafton Anglican Diocese website <https://www.graftondiocese.org.au/> and press on the tab that says services online to find links for the churches offering services online.

With every blessing,

Grahame

## Services for October COVID permitting

### Sunday 31st October

9am St Martin's Mullumimby

### Readings

#### Sunday 17th October

Job 38:1-7, Psalm 104:1-10, 26, Hebrews 5:1-10,  
Mark 10:35-45

#### Sunday 24th October

Job 42:1-6, 10-17, Psalm 34:1-8, Hebrews 7:21-28,  
Mark 10:46-52



## **Parish News**

### **Farewell to Archdeacon Greg and Dell**

A farewell and thank you afternoon tea for Archdeacon Greg and Dell will be held Saturday 30th October at 2.30pm at Bangalow. Bring a plate to share if you are able. For more information contact Patricia 0416 242 355.

### **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

### **Feeding the Community**

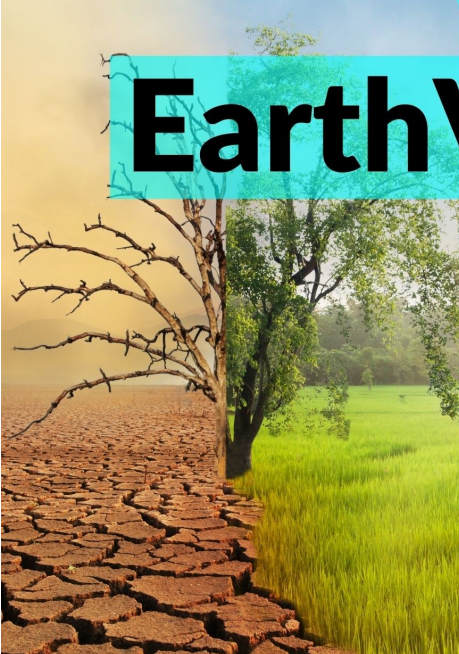
Donations of non-perishable food items e.g. Baked Beans, tinned fish, tinned spaghetti, pasta, rice, biscuits etc. are always gratefully received. We are running very low on supplies. Thank you to those who have given so generously.

### **Advent Study**

Christmas will be here before you know it. With that in mind Rev'd Rosie will be starting an Advent Study. If you would like to take part please put your name on the list provided in each of the Churches.

### **CWA Bangalow**

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the CWA bags for homeless women. The bags are being packed this week ready for distribution.



# Earth Vigil

Unite in a fierce love  
for our sacred earth

at St Bartholomew's  
The Avenue Alstonville NSW  
WED 3 NOVEMBER

Come for quiet thoughtfulness  
anytime between  
8am-8pm  
[anglicans.live](http://anglicans.live)

*May the seeds of our cooperation  
find fruitful ground and flourish.*

Alstonville  
Anglicans

The Earth Vigil is also the launch of the Community on the Verge food garden. Each visitor will cradle a seedling for the duration of their time in silence.

At the end of their reflection, the seedling may be planted in the verge garden.

A guided meditation begins the 12-hour vigil at 8am and a sound healing bath concludes the event at 7-8pm. The bell will toll before every hour.

All people of every faith or no faith are invited to come and sit in thoughtful quietness at a time and for a time of their choosing between 8am -8pm.