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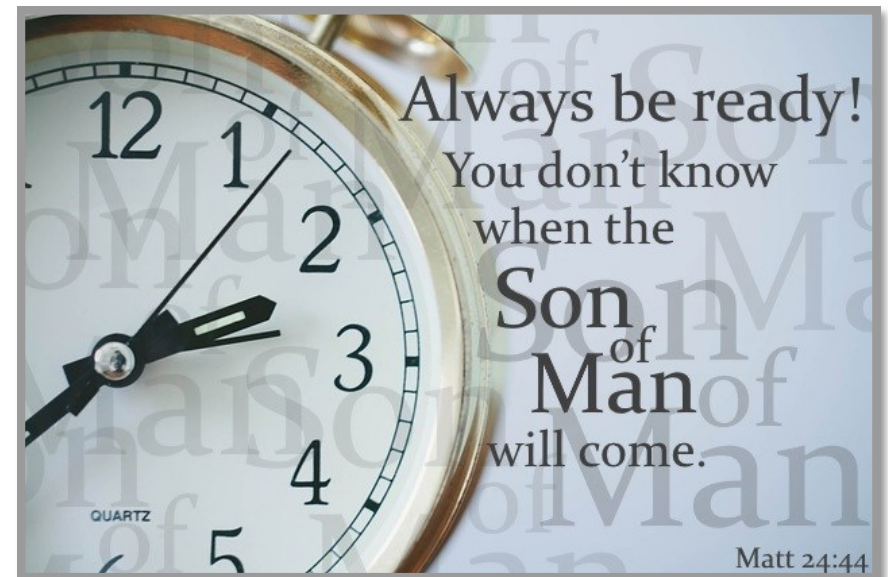
Acknowledgement of Country

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



Sunday 14th November 2021
Twenty-fifth 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 Rosie

As I reflect on the Gospel of this week, I ponder much. We, in society look to the stacking of stones of our buildings, our establishments, our bank accounts...stones stacked upon stones.

We all know as aware peoples of God that these things are temporary, transient and at the end of our days and the end of time will be meaningless.

Jesus is giving a quite open and perhaps confronting glimpse to four of his disciples whilst sitting on the Mount of Olives. Clearly they were concerned about his statement that "not one stone will be left here upon another...all will be thrown down".

Warning them of false prophets...of those who would assume to know the time when all these things would occur. We have certainly witnessed such over the years. People eager to believe and to follow the false prophet.

Jesus is telling us through his shared teachings with his disciples, that no one knows when the end time will occur. We are not in control, nor are we to assume we have such knowledge.

Really what this comes down to is faith. Faith that God walks beside us whether our days are numbered or plentiful.

We do not need to wait in fear for the moment...we simply need to live our lives in love for one another. We hold fast to the knowledge that we are children of God and treasured in His sight.

Perhaps we could define this in today's world as we see the secular world increase, and the numbers of those who follow Christ lessen. Does this mean we are witnessing the end times...we do not know...nor does it matter because we are asked to walk through each day in faith...caring for one another...loving one another and reaching out a hand to help another.

Perhaps we could ask ourselves...what will I be doing if the end of time were to happen in this moment?

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm RSL Life Communion 10am
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-4pm Advent Study St Paul's 1pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm
SUNDAY 21st November	9am St Martin Mullumbimby. Parish Council Meeting 11am Mullumbimby

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 10am-2pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Thursday & Friday 9am - 1pm Saturday 9am - 12.30pm
Mullumbimby	Monday-Friday 9.30am-3.30pm Saturday 9am-12pm

Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

Anglican Parish of Byron **BSB:** 705 077 **Account:** 00041263

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

Angel Flight Helicopter

Angel Flight Australia is a charity which coordinates non-emergency flights to assist country people to access specialist medical treatment.

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission Mu Australia
Provincial President: The Rev'd Anne Kennedy

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 Newcastle: Bishop Peter Stuart & Nicki, Bishop Charlie Murry & Melissa, Bishop Sonia Roulston, Clergy & Laity.

The Parish of Maclean: The Rev'd Lyn Bullard, The Rev'd Lenore Parker, The Rev'd Hope Bennett, The Rev'd Judy Edwards.

LLM Elizabeth, Ross, Cristina, John, Gwynne, Gay.

Local Prayer Focus

Judith, Hilary and Paul, Lorretta, Chris, John, Margaret Harvey, David Williams, Matthew, Lucy, Sigrid.

We give thanks for the life of Fr Gary Priest, a much loved priest formally of Kingscliff & Byron Parishes. Please uphold Robyn and family in your prayers.

Pray for the Students & Supervisors as the HSC continues.

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless.
The Liberation Larder,
The Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre,
Ministry of Byron Bay & Mullumbimby Christian Education.



Jasmin Roberts Waka Waka

Will it find me wanting? Will it find me exchanging words which hurt another? Will it see me walk past someone in need without reaching out in word or deed...will it see me criticizing another...hurting another...counting my stones instead of counting my blessings? Blessings abundant as I wander past those in need. Caring for those who knock on my door with earthly possessions in a few bags.

So....Let us ponder the words....."if you cannot find God in the beggar at the door...you will not find him in the chalice"... attributed to Saint John Chryostom.

Do we observe the beauty of the earth around us? Does the gathering of earthly stones see us bent over, unable to look upward to all that surrounds us. Gifts abundant. I sat in a room in the city at this time some few years ago...concrete all around...the sound of the never ending light rail development in George street. Casting ones eyes across the landscape one could so easily see only the cement...the metal...the glass but in the midst was a patch of green...a leafy refuge for the eyes...dotted with the glorious color of Jacaranda. Therein lies the gift amidst the seemingly endless building of stones...they may be one day torn down...but the beauty of the gift of life will go on forever...Beauty found in unexpected places and all the while, wrapped in the arms of our creator.

It is how we live each and every day that matters. The journey...not the destination... for we do not know when our journey will end.

Let that moment find us walking with faith alongside the one who created us. Let that moment find us loving one another. Walking with inclusion and faith at our center. Counting our blessings.

Rosie Wynter

Services

Sunday 14th November

9am All Soul's Bangalow Pet Blessing

Sunday 21st November

9am St Martin's Mullumbimby

Sunday 28th November

9am St Paul's Byron Bay

Readings

Sunday 14th November

1 Samuel 1:4-20, Song of Hannah APBA p.429,
Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25, Mark 13:1-11

Sunday 21st November—Christ the King

2 Samuel 23:1-7, Psalm 132:1-12, Revelation 1:4b-8,
John 18:33-37

Parish News

Care Bears on their Journey

This week, approx. 60 care bears were delivered to the Lismore coordinator for the Samaritan Shoe boxes. The bears went to Brisbane, found a place in one of the Samaritan shoe boxes and have now continued on—some to Africa and some to Cambodia. Thank You to all who, with tender loving care turned some strange knitting into a loving, beautiful Care Bear. Those still doing this special job—please give the finished bears to Joan Davies. They will be tucked up in a big camphor box ready to be the first bears in our 2022 collection. Thank You All!!

Pet Blessing

Sunday 14th November 9am at All Soul's Bangalow. We will be celebrating our animal friends. You are invited to bring along your pets for a blessing. For further information please contact Rev Rosie 0419 209 201



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Advent Study

The study begins Wednesday 17th November at 1pm in St Paul's Byron Bay. Study books are available for \$12 each. Please put your money in a clearly marked envelope on the collection plate or hand in to the Parish Office.

Giving Envelopes

Boxes of envelopes are now available for collection at each centre. If you prefer to give electronically our bank details are: Anglican Parish of Byron **BSB:** 705 077 **Account:** 00041263

St Mary's Concert

Sunday 14th November 3pm St Mary's Anglican Church Ballina. Entry by donation.



When the rubber hits the road ...

During Advent Bishop Sarah Macneil and Fr Ian Chaplin will be leading 4 sessions at Grafton Cathedral looking at the Five Marks of Mission for Anglicans.

- What are they? • What's happening around the world? • In Australia? In our own parishes and our own lives? What can we learn?
- What can we imagine and dream?

Live-streaming from Grafton Cathedral on four Tuesdays during Advent 2021:
23 & 30 November and 7 & 14 December
5.30 to 6.15 pm

Join us for an exploration of how we can live our faith in these complex times.
www.graftoncathedral.org.au