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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.*



**Second Sunday after Epiphany
16th January 2022**

All are welcome



Dreamtime royalty free

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

From Grahame

A while back I was sent an article by a colleague with no comment or suggestion as to what the sender thought of the article or hoped I might get from it. This colleague is someone I can debate with for hours on the merits of a particular topic and at the end neither one of us will know the other's personal opinion. This particular article concerned the death of a man's brother from Peru. Brothers die somewhere in the world every day, what was I meant to get from this? This particular brother was the last person the man was able to speak with in his first language. This sounds sad but what was I meant to get from this? Do you ever have those things that nag at you, and you don't know why? Things you really think you should be able to put down but for some reason you just can't. This was one of them. I saved the article determined to come back to it. A few days later while reading in preparation for Sunday preaching, I read again the words of the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr in his Letter from Birmingham Jail – "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere".

There seems something particularly unjust about losing the facility of speaking with someone, to be able to speak and be understood. There can be many reasons why this happens, illness or injury, it happened to this man because of the desire of others to make his people the same as them. To resist this attack on identity his people had withdrawn deeper into the wilderness until disease and the lure of the conditional benefits of sameness, like food and healthcare, overcame them.

When we try to make others the same as us, when we withhold God's love until our conditions of sameness are met, we are perpetrating an injustice. We may do this out of fear; we may do this because we think we are helping the other; we may do this because of our lack of faith in the authority of God who called us through Jesus to love others first because God

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am - 4pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am - 12.30pm Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm

SUNDAY 16th January

9am All Soul's Bangalow

SUNDAY 23rd January

9am St Martin's Mullumbimby

SUNDAY 30th January

9am St Paul's Byron Bay

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10am-2pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Closed

Mullumbimby Reopens 17th January

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

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission SparkLit National Director Mr Michael Collie

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

Bishop

The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks



Jasmin Roberts Waka Waka

The Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn: Bishop Mark Short & Monica, Bishop Carol Wqagner & Jay, Bishop Stephen Pickard & Jennifer, Clergy & Laity.

The Parish of Kempsey: In Transition

LLM Sr Dr Helen CSC, Barbara.

Local Prayer Focus

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

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

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.

first loved us. It is easy to get confused about helping. It is easy to fall into the trap of thinking that we help people if we make them more like us. We may become so convinced of this that we make rules and set standards of sameness that people must achieve before they may receive our help; before they may receive our love. When we get like this it is important to have a bit of a reality check and remember everything we have is gift. Our very breath is a gift we did not earn. When we give it is not our love we are giving; it is God's love which we have freely received. When we try to take ownership of God's grace; when we try to set conditions, we are trying to limit God's love and that is an injustice too great to be allowed to stand. God loved us first so that we would be free to love others.

Why does it matter if languages are lost? Why should it bother us if a person we have never met loses the means by which to communicate? It matters because "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere".

With every blessing, Grahame

Services

16th January 9am All Souls Bangalow

23rd January 9am St Martin's Mullumbimby

30th January 9am St Paul's Byron Bay

Readings

16th January Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 36:5-10, 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11, John 2:1-11

23rd January Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10, Psalm 19, 1Corinthians 12:12-31, Luke 4:14-21

30th January Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30

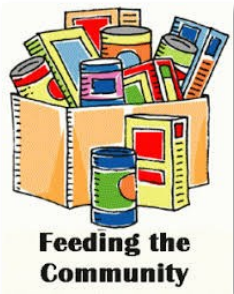
Parish News

Church Services and Car Pooling

Joan & Ian White have offered to take anyone from Byron Bay who would like to attend the services in our other centres. If you would like to take up this offer please contact Joan on 0419 020 705. It would be nice to see more of this because why travel alone when company makes the trips better.

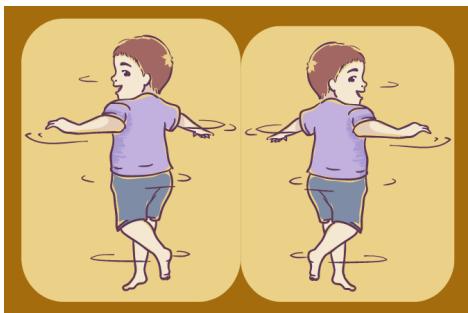
Giving Envelopes

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
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Food Pantry

Donations to our food pantry are gratefully received. We are in need of cans of baked beans and spaghetti, longlife milk, biscuits and sandwich spreads. Thank you for continued generosity.



To Make You Smile

I used to be addicted to the Hokey Pokey...

Until I turned myself around!!



**All Soul's Bangalow
Christmas Lights**