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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.





Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 13th February 2022

All are welcome



The Reflectionary

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

From Grahame

SEX!

If we turn to the passage of Luke we are reflecting on in four of our parish's places of worship this week, you will not find Jesus speaking to the crowds on the plain about sex. This may seem surprising as the headlines have again been preoccupied with emphasising the boxes we should be placed in and the limits this should lead to in regard to aspects of that three letter word. If, as followers of Jesus, we take the time to reflect on Jesus, we may find that he was more preoccupied with what we understand as a four letter word than a three letter word.

Jesus spoke to those he had explicitly called and those willing to listen, about the amazing news of God's love for all people and specifically those pushed to the margins, those used by power groups to maintain power structures for their own purposes. God's love goes beyond a transactional understanding of self-interest. God calls us to give to another and find joy and fulfillment in the giving. To be able to do this we must also care for ourselves. I like to use the analogy of an aircraft emergency. When the masks drop, we need to put our own mask on first so as to better help our neighbour who may be struggling with theirs.

In what is beginning to look like a reasonably long life I have learned from Jesus that God's love will more accurately be seen in how we treat individuals over institutions, and how we support positive paths for the most vulnerable.



Focus more on the four letter word and we may be amazed at how other things fall into place.

With every blessing, Grahame

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 20th February

7.30am St Thomas's Brunswick Heads

9am All Souls Bangalow

9am St Martin's Mullumbimby

9am St Paul's Byron Bay

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10am-2pm

Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm

Byron Bay Friday 9.00am-1.00pm

Saturday 9.00am-1.00pm

Mullumbimby Monday—Friday 9.30am-3.30pm, Saturday

9.30am—12noon.

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 Mission to Seafarers **National Executive Officer** The Rev'd Cannon Garry Dodd

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks



Jasmin Roberts Waka Waka

The Diocese of Melbourne: Archbishop Philip Freier & Joy, Bishop Genieve Blackwell & John, Bishop Kate Prowd & Roger, Bishop Paul Barker, Bishop Bradley Billings & Karen, Clergy & Laity.

The Parish of Lower Macleay: The Rev'd Katie Peken, The Rev'd Michael Bain &Donna. **L,L,M** Walter.

Local Prayer Focus

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

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless. The Liberation Larder,

The Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre, Ministry of Byron Bay & Mullumbimby Christian Education.

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Mission of the Month February



ABM Tonga Emergency Appeal

An Appeal has been mounted for the people of Tonga following the Jan 15 earthquake and tsunami.

Services February / March 2022

13 February

7.30 am St Thomas's Brunswick Heads

9 am All Souls Bangalow

9 am St Martin's Mullumbimby

9 am St Paul's Byron Bay

20 February

7.30 am St Thomas's Brunswick Heads

9 am All Souls Bangalow

9 am St Martin's Mullumbimby

9 am St Paul's Byron Bay

27 February

7.30 am St Thomas's Brunswick Heads

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9 am All Souls Bangalow

9 am St Martin's Mullumbimby

9 am St Paul's Byron Bay

6 March

4 pm St Paul's Byron Bay followed by Parish AGM



Readings

13th February Jeremiah 17:5-10, Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15:12-20, Luke 6:17-26

20th February Genesis 45:3-11,15, Psalm 37:1-11, 40-41, 1 Corinthians 15:35-50, Luke 6:27-38

Parish News

Pastoral Visiting

The Good news this week is that Home Communion is coming to a place near you. This ministry is for everyone. If you or your family or someone you know would like Home Communion please let us know. We are looking for people to join the Pastoral Care team from across the parish to help with this valuable ministry. If you are interested please contact Anne: office@byronanglicans.org.au / 6684 3552. We will be offering this service once a month and ideally would have a team of two people to visit aged care and private homes.

Food Pantry



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

AGM & Parish Nominations



The AGM will be held on **Sunday 6th March** following the 4pm service in St
Paul's. Please prayerfully consider whether
you would like to nominate as a Parish
Warden or Parish Councillor. Nomination
forms are available in the parish office or
the churches. Completed forms must be

returned to the parish office by 25th February 2022.

Orange Sky Laundry



Orange Sky Laundry is seeking expressions of interest for volunteer helpers so that they may provide their service in Bangalow on a Saturday.

All training provided.

Please contact Grahame on 0428866525 for further information.



National Apology Day in Australia is observed on February 13 every year. It is a national day commemorating the first ever National Apology made by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd in 2008. The apology marked the initialization of the Australian Federal Government's rehabilitation, justice, and reconciliation agenda for the Indigenous Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders, and the tens of thousands of Aboriginal children who were forcibly removed from their families during Australia's assimilation era.'