## The Clergy, Wardens and Office welcome your enquiries and calls.

#### **Rector:**

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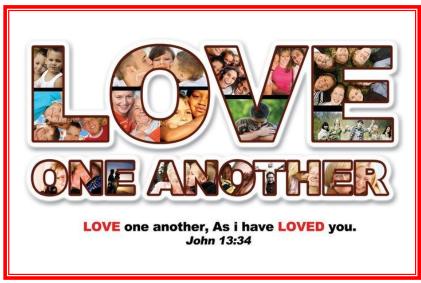
**Wardens** Patricia Ellis (Rector's Warden), Ian White, Laura East.

**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.





# Fifth Sunday of Easter 15th May 2022 All are welcome



**Christian Love Cliparts** 

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

## **From Grahame**

In our reflection on the Acts of the Apostles this week, Peter is wrestling with others over the question of who is worthy of salvation. The Apostle Paul would later write to the Church in Galatia on this same issue. You see, one of the things which was happening in the background of the Galatian Church was that old problem. Who is worthy to be part of the 'in' crowd and who is out, and should we let those that are out in? If we let some in, what will they need to do to be classed as in, what hoops will they need to jump through, because you couldn't just let people that had previously been out, in, unless they had paid some kind of fee, or price, or passed a test or something, surely?

Who paid the fee, who paid the price, who passed the test? One of the reasons some like to have symbols in church buildings is to remind us of who paid the price. The Galatians had fallen into that old trap. When we arrive at a new destination or complete a task, we will often have an opinion about those that have yet to complete the journey or complete the task. Some may see the challenges they have overcome as a foundation to help others have an easier journey, others may take the view that if they had to go through x, y or z, to get to where they have, then why shouldn't everyone else? That is essentially the argument Peter was having with the established Church.

The organisation had begun to develop obstacles to God's grace. The Church members had forgotten who had paid the price of their admission. Paul realised some were trying to rewrite history, so he wrote to the Church. In Galatians 3.28 he reminds the Church that obstacles of heritage, status and gender have been removed because we are all one in Christ Jesus. Jesus gave himself to fund God's great rescue mission for God's people. Paul reminds us rescue happens now. The life boat is alongside, the hands are stretched out to save us, really all that is left for us to do is stop fighting; stop hanging on to those things which are dragging us under;



#### 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
	SRE Byron Primary 12noon
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am - 12.30pm
	Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm

#### Sunday 15th May Easter 5

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	St Paul's Byron Bay
9am	St Martin's Mullumbimby
9am	All Soul's Bangalow

#### Sunday 22nd May Easter 6

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	St Paul's Byron Bay
9am	St Martin's Mullumbimby
9am	All Soul's Bangalow

#### **Op Shop Opening Hours**

Bangalow	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-2pm
	Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30am-1.30pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
Mullumbimby	Monday—Friday 9.30am-3.30pm Saturday 9.00am—12noon

#### Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

Anglican Parish of Byron BSB: 705 077 Account: 00041263

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

#### Mission

The Anglican Men's Society. **National Executive Chairman:** The Right Rev'd Jeremy Greaves.

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



#### The Diocese of North Queensland:

Bishop Keith Joseph, Clergy & Laity

#### **The Parish of Mid Richmond:** The Rev'd Lenore Moules and ministry roster.

#### **Local Prayer Focus**

Judith, Heather, Hilary and Paul, Lorretta, Chris, John, Sophie, David Williams, Matthew, Sigrid, George, Faith, Axel, Ann, Tina & Mitch.

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

### Our Community impacted by the current flood event.

#### **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

kick off our wet and soggy boots of fear and anger because we don't need them anymore; leave behind the lifejacket of possessions; switch off the beacon of our prejudices which maintain us in misunderstanding and bitterness, and accept the lifeboat of God's love.



Please pray for the General Synod of our national Church organisation as they continue to wrestle with nuance of this same question.

## Readings

#### 15th May Easter 5

Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6, John 13:31-35

#### 22nd May Easter 6

Acts 16: 9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21:10-14, 22-22:5, John 14:23-29.

#### Services

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## **Parish News**

## Sing your Favourite Hymns



What hymns do you love to sing? You will find hymn suggestion boxes in all our centres. Put your suggestions in the box or email to <u>rector@byronanglicans.org.au</u>. Please include in your email the church you usually attend.

Let's sing our favourite hymns together.

## **Children's Books**



Due to the floods, the local primary schools are collecting books to help restock libraries in schools that have lost everything. If you have books suitable for Kindergarten to Year 6 in good condition please drop them into Byron Public School or Bangalow Public School.

## **Knitting for the Homeless**



Pictures of the items that have already been brought in. A big thank you to all who have knitted. Please continue making more. Please drop off to Sue Williams in St Paul's so they can be disturbed around the shire.

## Mission

Anglicare North Coast FLOOD APPEAL Donate Now-Please reference your deposit **'Lismore 2022'**.

Navigate to www.anglicarenorthcoast.org.au and click on 'donate here' Or use the following details to deposit from your bank account.

## Anglicare North Coast BSB:705 077 Account: 00041320

## **Cursillo**



The Northern Region Fire Day is in Lismore on Saturday May 28th in St Andrew's Anglican Church, 14 Zadoc St Lismore, 9.30am - 3pm. The cost is \$10 for lunch. The theme is 'Generosity'. This is an opportunity to support our Lismore neighbours. For more information contact Desley Ryan dryan999@bigpond.net.au

#### Cursillo 3 Day Weekend for Men's / Women's 62

June 10th-13th at Nuralamee, Corindi Beach NSW. If you are interested please speak to one of the ministers.

## **A Variety of Visitors**



One Wednesday at St Paul's this bird decided to come and check us out. The church is not just for people.