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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.*



**Byron Anglicans**  
We are one

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**21st August 2022**

**All are welcome**



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

## From Grahame

In worship last week, Jesus spoke to us of his coming among God's people causing division. This week Jesus is causing indignation. Some translations say "the ruler of the synagogue was irritated". Have you ever been sitting in church communing with God and then something irritates you? You may be able to empathise with the synagogue ruler. He was probably an overworked and over paid official in the synagogue who was pestered all week long by people wanting advice and healing, and prayers, and maybe a short term loan. Now this guy breezes in and starts healing people on the only day when he could count on everyone just sitting and communing with God, and maybe unrolling a scroll or two. You can empathise surely?

Was the ruler really irritated by healing on the Sabbath? Or was he irritated that this upstart, this blow-in, was once again stealing centre-stage?

The very serious question behind the irritation, and by extension the question which we need to satisfy for ourselves is – Is this of God or of the other guy? Some were just happy to be healed. Some just wanted to see the establishment get a rough deal for a change. Most were confused. Is this Jesus of God? Or of the other guy? If I trust him, if I believe in him, will I be saved, or will I be damned?

How those around Jesus answer this question, how we answer this question today is what caused and continues to cause division. I attend gatherings in the wider Church and continue to hear teaching which has a thread bullying through it – do it my way or this will happen, do it the way I say, or you will burn! It saddens me when I hear this teaching. It saddens me for many reasons. One reason is because it means when I travel into the isolated parts of our land I will continue to see three people going into one church building, and four going into another, I will see dozens of people in a coffee shop instead of going to worship, because 'if they can't sort themselves out at least we can get a decent cup of coffee and check our phones'.

In the town Brenda and I moved from to be here, there were nine Church groups participating in our ministry association – we called the group The Combined Christian Churches. As part of that group I had faith that if someone wandered into any of

# Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

**TUESDAY**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**THURSDAY**  
**FRIDAY**

Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm  
Byron Bay Office 9am - 4pm  
Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm  
Byron Bay Office 9am - 12.30pm  
Mullumbimby Office 9am - 4pm

## Sunday 21st August

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

## Sunday 28th August

11am St Paul's Byron Bay  
Followed by BBQ lunch

## 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—12.00pm

## Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

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

## Prayer Focus This Week:

### Mission

National Council of Churches

**President:** Bishop Phillip Huggins

### Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

**Bishop** The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

**Archdeacon** Tiffany Sparks

**The Diocese of Tasmania:** Bishop Richard Condie & Helen, Bishop Chris Jones & Christine, Clergy & Laity

**The Parish of Port Macquarie:** In Transition, The Rev'd Leanne Smith & Cary

**LLM:** Merry, Erica, Brodie, Bruce, Ron, Robert, Jack, Wendy, Michelle.

### Local Prayer Focus

Gladys, Judith, Heather, Hilary and Paul, Lorretta, Chris, John, Sophie, David Williams, Sigrid, Karen, John, David, Frank, Faith, Axel, David & Val, Carol, Karen, Fran, Rebecca, Patricia, Irene, Harper, Harley, Joe & Jade.

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 recent 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



the group member's gatherings to worship, they would hear the good news of what Jesus has done for them. They would hear that God loves them so much, Jesus came among us, died, was raised and ascended for them. They would hear that by faith in what Jesus has done for them they may put down all the garbage that has been weighing them down. They would hear that a lot of the challenges they are facing could be made easier if they walked in the way of Jesus. I had confidence this was the case. In this was unity, in this way people were convinced to go for coffee and check their phones after church. I was able to say that one of the reasons we had many church buildings was because we could not all fit in one. There are enough things which are used as excuses to divide our communities. Let's not make the faith we share be one of them. If this Jesus is of God, if we agree in this let us build on that foundation.

With every blessing, Grahame

## Readings

### 21st August

Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:10-17

### 28th August

Jeremiah 2:4-13, Psalm 81:1,0-16, Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14.

## Services

### Sunday 21st August

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

### Sunday 28th August

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## **Parish News**

Sunday 28th August

There will be only one service in the parish @11am in St Paul's. Following the service there will be a BBQ to celebrate that we are coming to the end of Winter. The parish will supply the meat with the parishioners to supply salad & sweets. Please tell Sue what you are bring.

### **AOK Craft afternoon**

Rev'd Brenda is commencing a craft afternoon on Thursday's from 1-3pm for those who are interested. It will be a different craft each week or if you would like to share a craft with the group you are encourage to. Please RSVP to Sue if you would like to attend.

### **Sing your Favourite Hymns**



What hymns do you love to sing? You will find hymn suggestion boxes in all our centres. Put your favourites in the box or email to [rector@byronanglicans.org.au](mailto:rector@byronanglicans.org.au). Please include in your email the church you usually attend. Let's sing our favourite hymns together.

### **Shoe Boxes**



Each year we have been putting together shoe boxes to go to the Samaritan's purse. The Samaritan's Purse offer gift boxes to underprivileged children. We have been contacted again this year to contribute. What is needed is a toy, some clothes, a book, toiletries, pencils, for boys and girls from the age of 5yrs. If you are interested please see Shan Fleming.

## **Mission of the Month for July**

### **The Billy Kart Derby Bangalow**



The Derby was first started in 1995 and has been getting stronger every year. This will be the first time since COVID started that they have been able to roll down the main street of Bangalow. As part of

our commitment to outreach in our local communities and to support Rev'd Rosie's work in Bangalow it was decided that we support this as our mission for August.

### **Music and Relaxation**

Ballina Anglican Parish are hosting 'Music & Relaxation' sessions with Dr Sarah Burns-Silby, a music therapist. The sessions commence on Tuesday 6th September and run for 5 weeks on Tuesdays 2.15-4.15pm. Places are limited so please call 66862094 or email [office@anglicanballina.com.au](mailto:office@anglicanballina.com.au) if you are interested. These sessions are free.

**Wednesday 31st August**  
**8am-8pm**



## **Earth Vigil**

This Vigil invites the Community to come and sit in silent solidarity for the healing of the earth and her people.

Our focus this year is 'WATER'

The Vigil will include short musical interludes and the ringing of the church bell.

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