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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.*

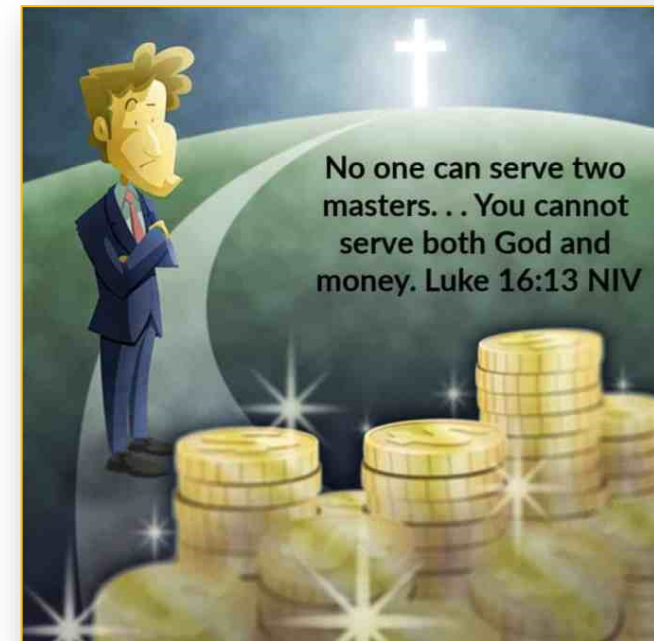


Byron Anglicans
We are one

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

18th September 2022

All are welcome



Ministry to children

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

From Grahame

Each day we are reminded, God's ways are not our ways and this fact is obvious again in our passage from Luke 16 this week.

Jesus has been explaining the kingdom to unbelievers through parables. Today Jesus directs the parable toward the disciples. In this parable the manager or steward, is called to account for the way he has managed the things he had been given responsibility for. The parables of Jesus are crafted to make people think, so Jesus' intention is not just that the disciples repeat what he has said, but that they process the information, accepting it into the way they live. What is it Jesus wants us to learn from this parable?

This parable is much debated. Some say the amount the manager marked down the debts of others was his expected percentage. In this understanding the manager was forgoing a benefit now, for the possibility of a later opportunity with one of the people who had received a discount. Others say the manager had been circumventing the regulation against charging interest on money by instead charging interest on goods like oil and grain. By this understanding the manager was forgoing the master's interest, making the master appear pious. Some say this is about the difference between world values and kingdom values while others throw their hands up and say 'sometimes Jesus just said some weird stuff!'

What do you say?

Whatever the rights or wrongs of the manager's behaviour one message remains the same and may be found toward the end of this passage. If we have not been reliable with someone else's things, why should anyone give us something of our very own? If we have squandered an opportunity or not cared for another's possessions we should not expect them to offer us another opportunity, or gift us possessions of our own by saying something like 'gee bad luck about my things but here's a gift just for you.....' But

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 18th September

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

Sunday 25th September

11am	St Paul's Byron Bay.
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Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-2pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
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Byron Bay	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 9.30am-1.30pm
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Mullumbimby	Monday—Friday 9.30am-3.30pm Saturday 9.00am—12.00pm
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Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

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

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission

SOMA **Chair** Bishop Ian Lambert

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey
Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks

The Diocese of Riverina: Bishop Donald Kirk & Camryn,
Clergy & Laity

The Parish of Nambucca Valley:

Rev'd Peter Shayler-Webb & Claire

LLM: Lesle, Sheralee, David, Jan, Sue, Graham, David,
Brian, Anne, Paul.

Local Prayer Focus

Liza, Anna & unborn child, 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, Irene, Harper, Harley, Joe & Jade, Brother Howard, Karen Christofferson.

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

Mission of the Month for September Westpac Rescue Helicopter



this is what God does. If we have not been found to be reliable with the things God has already provided, why should we expect to be given another opportunity? But this is what God does.

The aspect of the manager's behaviour Jesus praises is that he had an eye to the future. He was looking to coming reality and preparing for it. We could do with learning something about caring for the gifts we have received and about planning for the future.

Live today as if you were already in God's presence; don't wait until it is too late.

With every blessing, Grahame

Readings

18th September

Jeremiah 8:18-9-1, Psalm 79:1-9, 1 Timothy 2:1-10,
Luke 16:1-13

25th September

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15, Psalm 91:1-6,14-16,
1 Timothy 6:6-19. Luke 16:19-31

Services

Sunday 18th September

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

25th September

11am St Paul's Byron Bay Harvest Festival

Parish News

BCA Boxes



September is the month for counting the BCA Boxes. Please bring them into your centre for collection. Thank you.

Harvest Festival



On Sunday 25th September we will be celebrating the bountiful gifts that the Lord provides for us. Please come and share in this service in St Paul's Byron Bay @ 11am. A call out to anyone that has any jams, pickles, produce eg. fruit, vegies, pieces of sugar cane, etc please bring in to Sue at St Paul's on Wednesday or Friday morning or contact Rev'd Rosie to drop off to her. These will be used to display under the altar. A bring and share lunch to follow.

Blessing of the Animals



Rev'd Rosie will be holding a service for the Blessing of the animals on Sunday 2nd October @ 9am at All Soul's Bangalow. All creatures big, small, feathered and scaly are welcome to come along bringing their owners.

Cursillo News



Cursillo is holding its second REGENER8 Weekend on the 22nd-23rd October. The theme of the weekend is Grace. For those interested there will be registration forms in each centre. The forms are to be returned by the 5th October.

Year 12 Breakfast



The Brunswick Valley Christian Community is hosting a breakfast to farewell the year 12 students from Mullumbimby High School. The breakfast will take place at the Uniting Church hall, Dalley Street, Mullumbimby from 8.30am. Our parish are donating cereal and milk. If you would like to volunteer and assist on the day you are very welcome.

More than a Meal Cooking Program



Thursday mornings from 10.30am this program runs in the St Martin's hall kitchen. If you would like to volunteer please contact Anne 6684 3552. **Please note there will be no cooking on Thursday 22nd September as it is now a public holiday.**

ABM Pew Reflection

Ordinary Sunday 25C [Pentecost 15]
Sunday 18 September 2022

Jeremiah 8.18 – 9.1; Psalm 79.1-9; either 1 Timothy 2.1-10 or 1 Timothy 3.14 – 4.6; Luke 16.1-13

Today we read St Luke's account of the Parable of the Dishonest Manager. The manager is dishonest and is commended by his master for being shrewd. It's hard to know what to make of it. Nonetheless, the message at the end of the passage is clear: No slave can have two masters – if we choose to serve God then we have to accept that to serve him means having no other call on our lives. We ought not to be enslaved by materialism.

Jesus Christ, serving you is perfect freedom. Help me to choose you as the priority in my life, for you are worth more than gold or silver.

Give thanks for the work and witness of La Iglesia Filipina Independiente, the Philippine Independent Church.

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