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

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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.





Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

30th October 2022

All are welcome



Artist: James Tissot Wikimedia

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

From Grahame

Last week in worship, we heard of a certain ruler who believed he had everything but, in the end, it meant nothing because he lacked the essential ingredient. This week we hear of a chief tax collector named Zacchaeus, another person with great worldly authority. By spending time with people such as tax collectors Jesus' reputation and authority were further battered. How could a true prophet waste time with such as these? The ruler of last week could not give up worldly priorities for kingdom priorities. The chief tax collector was drawn to Jesus, was willing to climb a tree like a child would, just to see Jesus. Jesus sought out Zacchaeus and went with him.

When you read this passage at the beginning of Luke 19, do you see highlighted the conditions Jesus placed on Zacchaeus before he would spend time with him? Does Jesus say 'go and clean up your house so that I may stay with you'? Does he say 'go and repay everyone you ever cheated and I will spend time with you'? Did Jesus say 'pass this test and then I might help you'? Did Jesus say 'do this first my way'?

Be very clear, Jesus did not ask Zacchaeus to give away his possessions and make right the wrongs he had done before he could be loved by God. Zacchaeus did these things as a result of the transformative power of experiencing God's love.

The ruler of last week did not understand. He thought he could debate his way into heaven. He thought he could buy his way into heaven and went away disappointed. The tax collector was open to the transformative love of God which Jesus revealed. In this we learn that, while the ruler appeared to have it all he had nothing, and even someone who was shunned by the 'right people' could be first in God's Kingdom. Because Zacchaeus realised he was loved by God, he was able to give money to the poor and to approach those he had cheated. This is the fruit of Zacchaeus's transformation. Jesus is pleased with this.



Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

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

Sunday 30th October

| 11am | St Paul's Byron Bay followed by a bring and |
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| | share lunch. |

Sunday 6th November

| St Thomas' Brunswick Heads |
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| St Paul's Byron Bay |
| All Soul's Bangalow |
| St Martins Mullumbimby New Time |
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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 |
| Mullumbimby | Monday—Friday 9.30am-3.30pm Saturday 9.00am—12.00pm Closed on Saturdays in October |

Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

Anglican Parish of Byron BSB: 705 077 Account: 00041263

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Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission: Anglican Communion and the Archbishop of Canterbury: The Most Reverend Justin Welby & Caroline

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

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

The Anglican Church of Australia:

Primate Archbishop Geoffrey Smith & Lynn, **General Secretary** Anne Hywood, General Synod Office Staff, The General Synod and the Standing Committee, Clergy & Laity

The Parish of Alstonville: The Rev'd Dr Desiree Snyman & Marius Mulder, The Rev'd Doug Bannerman & Anne, The Rev'd John Kidson & Chris, The Rev'd Geoff Vidal & Carol. **LLM:** Barbara, Susan, Charlie, Mark

Local Prayer Focus

Liza, 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, Karen Christofferson.

For the students and supervisors as they sit for their HSC exams. 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 May we be so transformed by God's love that others are opened to the realisation of God's great love for them.

With every blessing, Grahame

Readings

30th October

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4, Psalm 119:137-144, 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12, Luke 19:1-10

6th November All Saints

Daniel 7: 1-3,15-18, Psalm 149, Ephesians 1:11-23, Luke 6:20-31.

Services

Sunday 30th October

11am St Paul's Byron Bay followed by a bring and share lunch.

Sunday 6th November

- 7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
- 9am St Paul's Byron Bay
- 9am All Soul's Bangalow
- 11am St Martin's Mullumbimby **New Time**

Parish News

All Souls Day Service



Wednesday 2nd November @ 10am in All Souls Bangalow Rev'd Rosie will be conducting a service of remembrance for those who have gone before us. A list will be in each church for you to place names of your loved ones that you wish to be remembered.

Meditation



Commencing Tuesday 1st of November @ 10am Rev'd Rosie will be starting meditation sessions in All Souls' Bangalow. Come into a welcoming nondenominational space for an hour of peace and calm.

Advent Study

An Advent Study will be commencing in St Paul's @ 1pm 23rd November. There is a list in each centre. Please add your name if you are interested.

The Samaritans Purse Shoe Boxes



Put a smile on a child's face. Early November is the collection time for the boxes. There are empty boxes at St Paul's. If you wish you could fill one or you could supply items as fillers for other boxes that might be short. For more information please contact Shan on 0439 481 613.

More than a Meal Cooking Program



Thursday mornings from 10.30am this programs runs in the St Martin's hall kitchen. If you would like to volunteer please contact Anne 6684 3552.

Mission of the month for October

Fletcher Street Cottage: which is a service hub that provides support, information, referral and advocacy to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

Share the Dignity

CWA Bangalow are putting together care packages to support the 'Share the Dignity' charity. 'Share the Dignity' provide feminine hygiene products and personal care products to women in need. Donations of feminie hygiene products, deodorants, insect repellants and travel size shampoo and conditioner are needed to complete the packages. Please contact Rev Rosie if you can help.

Anglican Board of Missions Pew Reflection

Sunday 30 October 2022

Habakkuk 1.1-4, 2.1-4; Psalm 119.137-144; 2 Thessalonians 1.1-4, 11-12; Luke 19.1-10

Today Luke tells us about the encounter between Jesus and Zacchaeus, a rich tax collector, a despised collaborator with the Roman occupiers of the province. People took the opportunity to grumble about Jesus going to Zacchaeus' house. Do we ever grumble about the good things that God is doing in the world?



Give praise for all the wonderful things happening in God's name around the world. Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

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