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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

Third Sunday in Lent



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

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

From Grahame

Last week we reflected on our shared journey of 'becoming' as Christians. In the final part of our reading today we hear of the conversion of a Samaritan city. This was a point in their journey when the people of that city went from hearing God's word from another, to hearing the word for themselves – and this was accomplished in two days. In just two days the people of the city were able to go from head learning to heart learning, or maybe Jesus' words just went straight to their hearts? In Jesus' encounter in Samaria we are reminded that no one group holds a monopoly on receiving God's grace. Through Jesus Christ, there are no outsiders.

Since I came to this parish many people have asked me what I would be doing. I even had someone be so bold, so honest, as to say they were looking forward to seeing what I was going to do, like I was the new fix-it person or maybe a street artist with people stopping to watch. Apart from the obvious, I believe God has called me to this place at this time in the history of creation to be with the people of this parish and communities as we discern God's call. To understand what it is about our situations which needs to be put down and what new challenges we may be called to take up. By the grace of God, I pray this will be our journey together.

Jesus speaks of living water. When we answer God's call and follow in the way of Jesus, we may be living water to those we meet. In the midst of his tiredness at the well, Jesus ministers to others, (also meets our needs). He could have said 'give me a drink and leave me to rest'. Instead, he engaged a stranger, a foreigner, and an outsider so that through him, (though) Christ, there may be no outsiders.

Through this coming week, may we set aside some time to rest at the well, allow the life giving water which Jesus brings to wash over us, and then make an effort to speak with someone we might not normally speak to. Not just a g'day as

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm Meditation 10am All Souls Bangalow RSL Life Communion 10am
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-4pm Lenten Study St Paul's Byron Bay 2pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm

Sunday 12th March 2023 Third Sunday of Lent

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	All Souls Bangalow
11am	St Columba Ewingsdale

Sunday 19th March 2023 Fourth Sunday of Lent

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	All Souls Bangalow
9am	St Paul Byron Bay followed by Parish Council

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-2pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-1pm
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: St George's College Jerusalem

Dean: The Right Rev'd Richard Sewell

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks

The Diocese of Grafton:

Bishop Murray Harvey, Clergy & Laity.

The Parish of Lismore:

The Rev'd Greg Jenks & Eve, The Rev'd Alan Shaw & Sue,
The Rev'd Rhonda Callander.

LLM Carol, Dawn, Stephen, Ray, Ray, Ken.

Local Prayer Focus

Judith, Lil, Lin, Hilary and Paul, Lorretta, Chris, John, David Williams, Matthew, Lucy, Sigrid, George, Faith, Liz, Gladys, Heather, Chris, John, Sophie, Karen, Shirley, Carol, Karen, Fran, Rebecca, Irene, Harper, Harley, Joe & Jade, Karen Christofferson, June, Thea, Elaine, Ros.

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 recovering from the floods.

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



we rush past, but in the humility and need modelled to us by Jesus himself, engage in a real conversation. At least make a real attempt. We cannot be responsible for the other half of the conversation. Leave that for God to give the increase.

With every blessing,
Grahame

Services

12th March 2023 Third Sunday in Lent

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am All Souls Bangalow

11am St Columba Ewingsdale

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9am All Souls Bangalow

9am St Paul's Byron Bay followed by Parish Council @
11am

Readings

12th March 2023 Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95, Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42

19th March 2023 Fourth Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41

Parish News

Knitting for those in need



With winter on the horizon it is time to start knitting for the disadvantaged. There are patterns for beanies and fingerless gloves in St Paul's plus spare wool. Please send all finished items to St Paul's for distribution.

St Thomas Centenary of dedication

26th March @ 11am St Thomas' Brunswick Heads.

There will be a light luncheon following the service. If you are able to bring a plate of food to share please contact Merle Siwicki. All welcome.

Faithfulness in Service Workshops

Faithfulness in Service is the code of conduct for the Anglican Church of Australia. It is a Diocesan requirement that the following people must participate in a training course every 3 years: Clergy & Licenced Lay Ministers, members of parish Council, paid employees, all leaders or coordinators of parish ministry eg: MU, Op Shop, People contact ministries eg: office volunteers, Op Shop workers, hospital and aged care visitors.

We will be holding two courses in the Parish:

All Soul's Bangalow Friday 24th March 1-3pm

St Paul's Byron Bay Saturday 1st April 1-3pm

If these dates do not suit you Ballina Parish are holding courses which you are welcome to attend:

St Mary's Ballina Saturday 18th March 1-3pm

St Mary's Ballina Thursday 23rd March 12-2pm

Application forms are available in the churches and from Anne and Sue. Please return completed forms to the office.

BCA Boxes

It is now time to bring in your BCA box for counting. They can be left in any of the centres.

Mission of the Month

ABM Appeal for victims of the earthquakes in Turkiye and northern Syria.

The Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday 12 March 2023

Exodus 17.1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5.1-11; John 4.5-42

Like the Israelites in today's first reading, we can sometimes lack trust and faith in God when we wander despairingly in the difficult times and, "wildernesses," of our lives.

Like them we can also fail to learn from or remember previous times in our lives when God's unending providence, mercy and love did sustain us in challenging times.

I pray that we treasure and learn from the times God freely gave us the life giving, "water," of his love and mercy and have unerring faith and trust that he always shall.

Pray that we can trust God and believe, even in times of wandering despair.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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Lent: Organ Music Reflection



We invite you to join us at St Mary's Anglican Church Ballina for 30 minutes of organ music and a poem. You don't have to do anything but sit in God's loving presence and immerse yourself in music and hear a reflective poem. Music has the ability to lead into stillness.

Every Tuesday during Lent 5.30-6.00pm.