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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

10th September 2023

All are welcome



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

From Grahame

Last week we reflected on the importance of the ministry of the Laity. A key lay ministry is lived out in the life of our Diocesan Synod. Our new parish Synod representatives are Patricia Ellis and Merridy Godwin. Patricia has provided some reflections on her first Synod.

Notes on Synod 2023. By Patricia Ellis:

The start of Synod was a service at St. John the Evangelist, Coffs Harbour which was a wonderful way to begin for me, a first timer. An excellent address by the Revd Canon Professor Glen Loughrey, Chair of National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council, who also gave the main address at synod, and the Clergy robed in their finest, plus the singing made it a most memorable service.

Saturday was straight into business with the Roll called, Officers appointed and Reports presented. These were Ministry Activities, Schools and Education and Mission Support. Revd. Glen again addressed Synod on Support of the Voice to Parliament Campaign including the value of the Statement From the Heart as a gentle act of compassion to bring our nation together.

After lunch Bishop and Mrs. Harvey gave the Presidential Address describing the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury to our region. He also thanked the soon to retire Registrar, Chris Nelson, for his work improving the governance, finances and administration of the Diocese. Business continued until the end of day with some matters being discussed being Healthcare for Hospital Chaplains and an Employment Assistance Program.

An evening dinner was held at the Opal Cove Resort where Synod was sitting – an opportunity to meet people from all over the Diocese. Most people attended and, while waiting for some of the meals to arrive there was a noticeable smell of smoke from an overworked kitchen. Sure enough, Fires arrived in gas masks etc. and apparently the hotel was evacuated – but not the dining room – our evening continued uninterrupted!

Sunday was probably the most difficult day as a number of Motions were hotly discussed, amendments made, some carried and some lost. A number required further information including the CRISP program – Community Refugee Integrated Settlement

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm Meditation 10am All Souls' Bangalow
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-4pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm

10th September

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	All Souls' Bangalow
9am	St Martin's Mullumbimby

17th September

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

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday—Friday 10am-2pm Saturday 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-1pm
Mullumbimby	Monday—Friday 9.30am-3.30pm

Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

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

Prayer Focus This Week:

Missions GFS/ Kids Plus

National Chaplain The Rev'd Sandra Kjellgren

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks

Defence Force Anglican Chaplaincy

Bishop Grant Dibden & Jeanette, Chaplains and members of the Defence Forces

The Parish of The Kingscliff

The Rev'd Michael Lazarus, The Rev'd Hilary Singleton, The Rev'd Graeme Hodgkinson

LLM Dianne, Megan, Mike.

Local Prayer Focus

Geoff, Judith, Lil, Lin, Hilary and Paul, Lorretta, Chris, John, David Williams, Matthew, Lucy, Sigrid, George, Liz, Gladys, Heather, Chris, John, Sophie, Karen, Shirley, Carol, Karen, Fran, Rebecca, Irene, 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



Pilot, and a Youth coordinator. I have the documents if people would like to know more and also refer to the latest Synod edition of Anglican North Coast. Bishop in Council will continue to discuss matters that were not resolved at the time or needing more information.

To sum up, I found the experience overall interesting and it has given me a better insight into the complexity of the work of the Diocese. I must sincerely thank members of the various Councils and Boards for giving their time and expertise so willingly – I'm singling out our Warden Ian White here – because without that assistance the Diocese would be hard to manage. I look forward to learning more next time.

Last Sunday members of our parish thoroughly enjoyed joining with our sisters and brothers in the Uniting Church at Mullumbimby for worship. There was an energy as most chairs filled and we were able to sing out strongly in praise and worship together. As we shared morning tea after, there was great joy at being together and a willingness to do this again.



All through this day dear Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for you, and every life I touch please bless by your Holy Spirit, whether through the words I speak, the prayer I breathe or the life I live; so shall your kingdom come on earth as in heaven. Amen.

Adapted from the daily prayers of Mary Sumner founder of Mother's Union and Brother John Dent Martyn BGS

With every blessing, Grahame

Services

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7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
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Readings

10th September

Exodus 12:1-14, Psalm 149, Romans 13:1-10,
Matthew 18:10-20

17th September

Exodus 14:19-31, Psalm 114, Romans 14:1-14,
Matthew 18:21-35

Parish News

Rev'd Rosie's Farewell Gift

All contributions to a farewell gift for Rev'd Rosie can be placed in a marked envelope in the offertory plate.

Farewell Service for Rev'd Rosie

On Sunday 24th September @ 11am there will be one service only at the home of Jack & Hilda Richards, 'Hazeldene', Coopers Shoot. RSVP as soon as possible to Anne or Sue. The meat will be supplied, please bring a salad or dessert to share and plate, cutlery & a cup.

BCA Boxes

For those who have BCA Boxes now is the time to bring them in for counting. These can be left in any of our centres

Funeral

The funeral service for the late Dudley Weir will be held at St Paul's 14 Kingsley St Byron Bay on Wednesday 13th September at 11am.

Installation service for new Canons of Grafton Cathedral

This service will take place on Wednesday 20 September at 10.00am. Grahame is one of the Canons being installed. The Cathedral community, the Chapter and the new Canons will appreciate your support so please join us for this special celebration.

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday 1st October @ 9am All Souls Bangalow. Bring your furry, scaly or feathered friend along for a blessing. Photos of fur babies who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge, will be blessed.

Ordinary Sunday 23 A [Pentecost 15] Sunday 10 September 2023

Exodus 12.1-14; Psalm 149; Romans 13.1-10;
Matthew 18.10-20

It's very easy to get stuck doing the same kind of things over and over, and thereby get ourselves into a rut. Perhaps that is why the Psalmist says to us today: 'O praise the Lord, and sing to the Lord a new song'. Sometimes our religious life needs something new to allow it to develop and mature – we're called, after all, to have a child-like faith, not a childish one. This week, try something new to spruce-up and re-energise your religious life, remembering always to praise our Redeemer, Jesus Christ.

Lord, encourage me to somehow 'sing a new song' to you this week, lest my spiritual life become stale.
Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Kenya.

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Mission of the Month Bush Church Aid



Bush Church Aid is all about **Aid** to the **Church** in the **Bush**; providing biblically faithful ministry and bringing the life-changing gospel message of Jesus to rural, regional, and remote Australia.