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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.

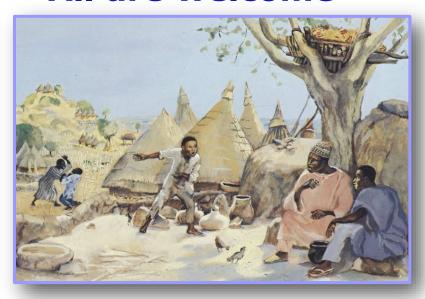




Sixteenth Sunday after **Pentecost**

17th September 2023

All are welcome



JESUS MAFA.

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

From Grahame

In our Gospel reading this week we hear the parable of the unforgiving servant. Jesus gives an example of the way forgiveness should work. If the servants were to stand on their rights then they were lost, because they could not repay the debt they owe. It is only through the forgiveness of their debt that they may be free. Even though the particularly unforgiving servant's debt had been forgiven he refused to pass on the generosity he had received. In the end the unforgiving servant suffers the punishment he offered others. Is this what we would want from God? If we are not prepared to forgive others why should we be forgiven? Every time we harden our hearts and refuse to forgive others we are being like the unforgiving servant and failing to pass on the gift we have already received.

This can be very hard. Yet this is central to who we are as followers of Jesus. This is what shapes our hearts and guides our actions. We are a forgiven people. This is the attitude we bring before God as we gather in worship.

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

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

17th September

7.30am St Thomas' Brunswick Heads

9am All Souls' Bangalow9am St Paul Byron Bay

11am St Columba Ewingsdale

24th September

11am Jack & Hilda Richards Home

355 Coopers Shoot Road Coopers Shoot

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 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 Perth

Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy & Jeri, Bishop Kate Wilmot, Clergy & Laity

The Parish of Murwillumbah

The Rev'd Lyndon Mulholland & Anna, The Rev'd John Tyman & Penny.

LLM David, Madeline, Iona

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, Ann.

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

Services

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9am All Souls Bangalow9am St Paul Byron Bay

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24th September

11am Service at Jack and Hilda Richards home 355 Coopers Shoot Road Coopers Shoot.

Readings

17th September

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

24th September

Exodus 16:2-15, Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45, Philippians 1:21-30, Matthew 20:1-16

Parish News

Rev'd Rosie's Farewell Gift

All contributions to a farewell gift for Rev'd Rosie can be placed it 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', 355 Coopers Shoot Road 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

Year 12 Breakfast



A breakfast to farewell the graduating Year 12 students from Mullumbimby High School will take place on Thursday 21st September 9am, Uniting Church hall **Dalley Street, Mullumbimby.**

If you would like to be involved volunteers are needed from 7am.

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. The service will be livestreamed and the link can be accessed via the Cathedral website.

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. Phil Dokmanovic and his congregation from the Uniting Church will be joining us for this service.

St Mary's Music Program



Sunday 24th September 3pm, St Mary's 38-42 Norton Street Ballina. This month's concert features a combination of classical guitar and flute.

Contact info@themusicestuary.org for more information.

Ordinary Sunday 24 A [Pentecost 16] Sunday 17 September 2023

Exodus 14.19-31; Either Psalm 114 or Exodus 15.1-13, 17-18; Romans 14.1-14; Matthew 18.21-35

Both today's psalm and the alternative canticle remind us of the Easter Vigil where the Church celebrates the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt. This miracle is the focus of the Jewish Passover. The Psalmist tells us that God is powerful enough to have turned the 'rock into a pool of water and the flint-stone into a welling spring'. If we look, we can find those times where God has caused miracles to happen in our own lives. There are probably times, if we look carefully enough, when God has done something miraculous for our country. Let us all be attentive this week to see where we can find God's miracles in our own lives, among our friends and families and within Australia.

> Lord, help me to find miracles, both big and small, in the world.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Korea, the Daehan Seong Gong Hoe.

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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 Going the distance faithful ministry and bringing the lifechanging gospel message of Jesus to rural,

regional, and remote Australia.