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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-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

12th November 2023

All are welcome



Artist: Dr. He Qi Liturgytools.net

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

From Grahame

Saturday of this weekend is Remembrance Day. In 2015, as part of the World War One centenary commemorations, I had the opportunity to act as chaplain to the Cooee Re-enactment March from Gilgandra to Martin Place in Sydney. The original march had been the first and most successful of what were called *Snowball Recruitment Marches*. At each town along the way the participants would hold an act of remembrance and recount something of the story of those who had enlisted from the respective communities. We would sleep in halls or under the stars, eat from a mobile kitchen or receive hospitality from the communities we passed through. On Remembrance Day 2015, we marched into Martin Place in time to participate in the service that day. Living in community on the road for a month, sleeping rough and marching in all weather conditions, was only a fraction of what those who served in that conflict endured. Too many paid the ultimate sacrifice and never returned to their family and community.

As we grieve conflict in the world today acts of commemoration such as Remembrance Day, remind us of the cost of war, the cost of using war to solve our problems, as we continue to grieve those we have lost.

Jesus reminds us this weekend through Matthew, that we do not know the hour of his return. Now is the time to reconcile, now is the time for peace. Do not wait.

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

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm

WEDNESDAY Byron Bay Office 9am-4pm

THURSDAY Mullumbimby 9am-4pm

FRIDAY Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm
Mullumbimby Office 9am-4pm

12th November

7.30am St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am St Paul's Byron Bay
11am St Columba Ewingsdale

19th November

7.30am St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am St Martin's Mullumbimby
10.30am Parish Council Meeting

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.

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Prayer Focus This Week:

Missions St George's College Jerusalem
Dean The Very 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 & Leanne, Clergy & Laity

The Parish of Lismore

The Rev'd Dr David Craig Locum, The Rev'd Alan Shaw & Sue, The Rev'd Rhonda Callander.

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

Local Prayer Focus

Janie, Jean, Marjory, 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.

For all the Fire Fighters, Pilots, and support crews as they continue to fight all the fires.

For the Students and Supervisors as the HSC continues.

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless.

The Liberation Larder, The Mullumbimby & District

Neighbourhood Centre, Ministry of Byron Bay &

Mullumbimby Christian Education.

Bulletin News Items

For inclusion in the weekly bulletin please forward to Sue Williams by Wednesday morning. Sue Williams Phone 66843552
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With every Blessing Grahame

Services

12th November

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Paul Byron Bay

11am St Columba Ewingsdale

19th November

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Martins Mullumbimby

Readings

12th November

Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25, Psalm 78:1-7,

1 Thessalonians 4:9-18, Matthew 25:1-13

19th November

Judges 4:1-10, Psalm 123, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11,

Matthew 25:14-30

Parish News

Back Packs for Kids

We have the opportunity to partner with the Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre to supply back packs filled with essential items to those children escaping Domestic Violence. Donations can be left in the Parish Centres.

Advent Study

Advent starts on Wednesday 6th December at St Paul's at 2pm. There will be a list in each centre for you to put your name down if you are interested in attending.

RedInc Art Exhibition 24th November 6-8pm

RedInc is a disability support organization that supports people with disabilities in the Mullumbimby area. The RedInc performance choir rehearse in St Martin's hall and will be performing at the Art Exhibition.



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Ordinary Sunday 32 A [Pentecost 24] Sunday 12 November 2023

Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-5; Psalm 78.1-7;
1 Thessalonians 4.9-18; Matthew 25.1-13

We do not know what the kingdom of heaven is like and Jesus has given us many parables as clues to what it may be like. It might be hard for us to understand about oil for lamps when we easily turn on a switch for light. Jesus' teaching is more than simply what we need; it points us to be prepared for what may come our way. We are to be ready for when he meets us, that we may have enough light to shine on the One we love.

God, life can easily distract me. May I keep focus on you and be ready for your coming.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

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Mission of the Month

Anglican Board of Mission

Working for Love, Hope & Justice

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