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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.



All Saints

5th November 2023

All are welcome



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

From Grahame

This week I was surprised to see the streets full of young people dressed as pixies, angels, and some costumes I couldn't quite work out. This was my first experience of All Hallows Eve here as we enter post-CoVid normal life. There were front yard parties and much laughter. It was the greatest spontaneous expression of community I have experienced since moving here. All Hallows Eve is of course the evening before All Saints Day which we will celebrate on Sunday. All Saints Day is one of the great festivals of the Church calendar when we have an opportunity to give thanks for all those who have gone before us in the faith, those we name as Saints and those with whom we have shared our lives. We remember them all and give thanks to God for them.

This week again, Jesus reminds us of what it means to follow in his way. To be ready to engage in a relationship-building 'real' interaction with the people we meet about how God has been working in our lives. About how sometimes we feel dispirited or get annoyed and it is only through the love of God, our prayers and the love of those around us that we may continue.

My first theology professor Stephen Pickard writing about our lives of faith wrote, "Learning again to travel at the pace of the Spirit, following the footsteps of Christ is key....."and "It is only as the pilgrim church travels at the pace of the Spirit that God can be truly present. Pace and presence go together. Why? Because when the Church seeks to be in step with the Spirit then God can be truly up close and personal".

We look around the world and ask why so many bad things happen? We ask what we are to do? Travelling at the pace of God's Spirit, responding as Jesus would have us respond, sensing God's closeness is how we may continue to find hope, love and even joy.

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

5th November

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am All Souls Bangalow

12th November

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
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.

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Prayer Focus This Week:

Missions The Bush church aid Society
Regional Officer QLD/NNSW The Rev'd Mike Uptin

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

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

The Diocese of Bathurst

Bishop Mark Calder & Susan, Clergy & Laity

The Parish of Casino

The Rev'd Sally Miller & Ron, The Rev'd Ron Miller & Sally,
The Rev'd Thea Archinal.

LLM Robyn, Dolly, Bev, Susan, Kerry.

Local Prayer Focus

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
Email: admin@byronanglicans.org.au



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

5th November All Saints

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am All Souls Bangalow

12th November

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Readings

5th November All Saints

Revelation 7:9-17, Psalm 34:1-10,22, 1 John 3:1-3,
Matthew 5:1-12

12th November

Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25, Psalm 78:1-7, 1 Thessalonians 4:9-18, Matthew 25:1-13

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. A list has been included in the bulletin. Items can be left at any of the parish centres or into the Office in Mullumbimby or Byron Bay.

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.

Free Health Checks in Byron Bay

Can you remember when you last had a medical check-up? The Rotary Club is sponsoring free health checks on the 8th and 9th of November. The Health Check van will be parked in the Byron Services Club car park 132 Jonson St Byron Bay on Wednesday 8th November 9.30am-3.30pm and the Byron Bowling Club car park 19 Carlyle St Byron Bay on Thursday 9th November 9.30am-3.30pm.



Spirit Ability

Providing Spiritual and emotional support to Christians living with a disability, their carers, families and supporters.

First Monday of each month 6-8pm

Alstonville Anglican Hall
6-8 The Avenue, Alstonville 66280231

Anglican Board of Missions Reflection All Saints' Day

Revelation 7.9-17; Psalm 34.1-10, 22; 1 John 3.1-3;
Matthew 5.1-12

All of humanity is blessed by God and many are called saints. The readings for today give some of their characteristics: purity, persistence in the trials of life, worship of God; and the Gospel expands this to include those who are poor, who mourn, are meek, hungry, merciful, peacemakers and persecuted. All of us are children of God and live in God's love now. Yet there is more to come!

God, grant me a foretaste of what I am to expect in the fullness of life with you.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of Province of South-East Asia

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Mission of the Month

Anglican Board of Mission

Working for Love, Hope & Justice

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