# The Clergy, Wardens and Office welcome your enquiries and calls.

**Rector:** 

Rev'd Canon Grahame Yager 6684 3552

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# **Office Support:**

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**Wardens** Patricia Ellis (Rector's Warden), Ian White, Laura East.

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.* 





# Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 11th February 2024

# All are welcome



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

#### **From Grahame**

In the movie Forrest Gump, there is a time when the cinematographer shows a montage of scenes where the actor Tom Hanks just runs. He is running because he becomes overwhelmed by tragedy. In one scene he looks out across the wilderness and sees sunbeams reaching through the clouds. This moment is an epiphany for Forrest of healing and renewal and Forrest just stops running. It is no accident that these sunbeams through clouds are often called the 'fingers of God'; an image of God's light shining into our darkness. In my previous role I would drive for hundreds of kilometres on some very straight roads and experiencing this phenomenon of light through clouds always brought renewal to my soul. At that particular time that place, where ever it was, was a sacred space for me.

On Tuesday at 6 pm, we will have the opportunity to gather together in the grounds of St Martin's Mullumbimby and share pancakes for Shrove Tuesday. On Wednesday we will begin the season of Lent with a simple prayer service in All Souls Bangalow. We use the concept of seasons and special days in our worship life to bring particular focus to part of our lives of faith. In Lent we focus on repentance, the aspects of our lives which we need to particularly ask for God's help with. We do this as a forgiven people, acceptable to God. God's love, once we are willing to receive it, is transformative. God wants each of us to know God's love, living life to the full, and sharing this full life with others.

With Every Blessing Grahame

> 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



#### Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm RSL Life Communion Suffolk Park 10am Shrove Tuesday Pancakes 6pm St Martins Mullumbimby
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay 9am-3pm Ash Wednesday Service 10am All Souls Bangalow
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm Lenten craft 12noon St Pauls Byron Bay
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
<b>11th February Er</b> 9am	<b>Diphany 6</b> Welcoming for Rev'd Brenda St Pauls Byron Bay. This is the only service for the Day.
<b>18th February Le</b> 9am	n <b>t 1</b> All Souls Bangalow followed by the AGM.
<u>Op Shop Opening</u> Bangalow	<b>I Hours</b> Wednesday - Friday 10am - 2pm Saturday 9.30am - 12.30pm
Byron Bay	Monday - Friday 9am - 1pm
Mullumbimby	Monday - Friday 9.30am - 3.30pm
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#### **Prayer Focus This Week:**

Mission SparkLit National Director: Mr Michael Collie

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks



#### **Diocese of CANBERRA & GOULBURN**

Bishop Mark Short & Monica, Bishop Carol Wagner & Jay, Clergy & Laity

#### The Parish of Kempsey

The Rev'd Jesse Poole, The Rev'd Sister Linda Mary CSC **LLM** Sr Dr Helen CSC, Barbara .

#### **Local Prayer Focus**

Greg, 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, 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.

#### **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

#### **11th February Epiphany 6**

9am St Paul's Byron Bay Commissioning of Rev'd Brenda

**18th February Lent 1**9am All Souls Bangalow followed by the AGM.

#### Readings

**11th February** 2 Kings 5:1-14, Psalm 30, 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, Mark 1: 40-45

**18th February Lent 1** Genesis 9:8-17, Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9:15

#### Sunday 11 February 2024 The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

2 Kings 2.1-12; Psalm 50.1-6; 2 Corinthians 4.3-12;

Mark 9.2-9

Mountains are special places. I love that it takes so much effort to hike to the top and then you are rewarded with a spectacular view. In the scriptures God is often encountered at the top of mountains. Peter, James, and John see Jesus meet with Moses and Elijah, then they hear the very voice of God. It's no wonder they want to stay but like all mountain top experiences it must end. When we encounter God in our own mountain top experiences, we need to take that feeling with us, back down into our everyday life.

Pray for those who struggle daily to experience God in their lives.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Japan, the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

Text: Fr Mark Cooper, Rector of MICA Ministries, Diocese of Newcastle © Anglican Board of Mission, 2024 Text:

#### **Parish News**

#### **Upcoming events:**

# Welcome & Commissioning

Sunday 11th February @ 9am in St Pauls Byron Bay we will welcome our new associate priest Rev'd Brenda Yager. We look forward to Rev'd Brenda sharing her many gifts with us. This will be the only service in the Parish on this day.

# **Shrove Tuesday**

(Pancake Tuesday) 13 Feb @ 6 pm in the grounds of St Martin's Mullumbimby. Bring your favourite topping. Pancakes supplied.

# Ash Wednesday

14 Feb. Service of morning prayer with imposition of ashes. 10 am in All Souls Bangalow.

# Lenten Craft Group

Rev'd Brenda will be commencing a Lenten craft group on Thursday 15th February @ 12noon, in St Paul's Byron Bay. There will be a different craft each week. Please contact Sue if you are planning to participate

# Meditation

Rev David Brown will be leading Meditation in All Souls Bangalow commencing Friday 16th February 11am.

# AGM

The 2024 AGM will be held on Sunday 18th February 10.30am in All Souls' Hall Bangalow.

**Nomination forms** are available in all centres and from the parish offices. Please complete your form and return to office@byronanglicans.org.au as soon as possible.

# **Lenten Study**

All Souls Hall Bangalow commencing Wednesday 21 Feb from 11 am to 12 pm. Add you name to the list provided. Please contact Grahame for more information.

# World Day of Prayer

We are hosting the World Day of Prayer on Friday 1st March 10am at St Martin's Mullumbimby. There will be a morning tea following the service. If you are able to bring a plate to share please contact office@byronanglicans.org.au.

# **Diocesan Ultreya**

Cursillo is celebrating 40yrs in the Grafton Diocese on Saturday 2nd March 9.30am for a 10am Eucharist

# **Mission of the Month**

The Mullumbimby and District Neighbourhood Centre Inc

(MDNC) is a locally based, community managed organisation that listens to its communities and works with them to deliver services to meet community needs as well as build individual and community capacity. The MDNC provides access to a diversity of funded and unfunded services and programs including but not limited to Community Support/Emergency Relief, parenting support, specialist domestic violence services, support for homeless, financial counselling, Food Recovery programs, community meals and social inclusion activities.

# **Outreach in the Community through our Op Shops**

Our Op Shops not only meet the need for good quality clothing and other goods at affordable prices but we are also able to donate to charities each month.

If you would like to contribute to this valuable ministry visit one of our Op Shops and volunteer. Even a few hours a month is a great help.





