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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.*



# Easter Sunday

## 31st March 2024



Pixabay

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

## From Grahame

This week we will have the opportunity to meet together over food, grieve at the cross and celebrate in triumph that the cave in which they laid Jesus body is empty and Christ is risen, alleluia! We will light a new Paschal candle with symbols which remind us of Jesus the Christ, the Alpha and Omega, the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, signifying Christ yesterday, today and tomorrow.

We began this journey of Easter through our Lenten reflections on Jesus in the wilderness when he took time to be alone with God. We spoke about giving up some of our behaviours that we are not proud of. I challenged us to give up negativity frowning as a default position. How did that go? There have certainly been some happenings in the world during that time that have made me feel like frowning but that was no the challenge. The challenge was about when being presented with a borderline issue to be willing to see the glass half full. Don't go around frowning until it is proved you have something to smile about, go about smiling unless or until it is proved that maybe you should not. As a resurrection people we have much to smile about. Christ is risen, Alleluia! The tomb is empty. The first at the tomb find it empty, Jesus has gone from the tomb.

We have witness accounts passed down to us. We have the witness of the millions that have known the love of God through Jesus through the generations to now. We have the witness of this community of faith. As much as we may know anything, we know that because the tomb was empty that first Easter day we may follow Jesus into eternal life.

If that doesn't bring a smile to your dial then I don't know what will. Christ is Risen, Alleluia! After worship today, go and tell someone that truth.

With every blessing  
Grahame

# Weekly Happenings

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

|                  |  |
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| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | Mullumbimby 9am-4pm  |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | Byron Bay 9am-3pm  |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | Mullumbimby 9am-4pm  |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Closed<br>Mullumbimby 9am-4pm |

## **Op Shop Opening Hours**

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|--------------------|---|
| <b>Bangalow</b>    | Monday - Friday 10am-2pm<br>Saturday - 9.30am-12.30pm |
| <b>Byron Bay</b>   | Monday - Friday 9am - 1pm                             |
| <b>Mullumbimby</b> | Monday - Friday 9.30am - 3.30pm                       |

## **31st March Easter Day**

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 7.30am | St Thomas Brunswick Heads |
| 9am    | All Souls Bangalow        |
| 11am   | St Columba Ewingsdale     |

## **7th April Second Sunday of Easter**

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| 7.30am | St Thomas Brunswick Heads |
| 9am    | St Martins Mullumbimby    |

## **Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.**

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

## Prayer Focus This Week:

### Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

**Bishop** The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

**Archdeacon** Tiffany Sparks



### Collaborative Ministry in the Northern Archdeaconry

**Archdeacon North** The Venerable Kay Hart Mission Support Officer North The Reverend Canon Sally Miller

**Tweed Network** Pray for the collaboration of Tweed Heads, Murwillumbah and Kingscliff Parishes in mission and ministry.

**Ballina-Alstonville Network** Pray for the collaboration of Ballina and Alstonville Parishes in mission and ministry.

**Clarence Network** Pray for the collaboration of Grafton, South Grafton and Maclean Parishes in mission and ministry.

**Summerland Network** Give thanks for the consolidation of Casino Parish with the ministry at Bonalbo. Pray for

**Liston Transitional Ministry District** that ministry in Liston, Legume and border areas may flourish. Pray for the

collaboration of Casino and Kyogle Parishes and potential future collaboration in mission and ministry with Lismore Parish.

**Byron Ministry Area** Pray for the Ministry Area of Byron that it can bring the gifts and energy of its separate parts together for the strengthening of ministry across the region.

**Mid Richmond** Pray for Mid Richmond Transitional Ministry Area as they explore new forms of ministry.

### Local Prayer Focus

Greg, Janie, Marjory, Geoff, Lin, Hilary and Paul, Lorretta, Chris, John, Matthew, Lucy, Sigrid, George, Liz, Gladys, Heather, Chris, John, Sophie, Karen, Carol, Karen, Fran, Rebecca, Thea, 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.

## Services

### 31st March Easter Day

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am All Souls Bangalow

11am St Columba Ewingsdale

### 7th April Second Sunday of Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Martins Mullumbimby

### 14th April Third Sunday of Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Pauls Byron Bay

11am St Columba Ewingsdale

## Readings

### 31st March Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24,  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11, John 20:1-18

### 7th April Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-37, Psalm 133, 1 John 1:1-22, John 20:19-31

### 14th April Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:12-20, Psalm 4, 1 John 2:15-17, 3:1-6,





# Anglican Parish of Byron

## Easter Service Times

St Thomas Brunswick Heads

6pm Thursday 28 March - Maundy Meal

7.30am Easter Day Sunday 31 March - Holy Communion

St Martin's Mullumbimby

6pm Good Friday 29 March

St Paul's Byron Bay

9am Good Friday 29 March

All Souls Bangalow

9am Good Friday 29 March

9am Easter Day Sunday 31 March - Holy Communion

St Columba Ewingsdale

11am Easter Day Sunday 31 March - Holy Communion



### Easter Day Sunday 31 March 2024

Acts 10.34-43 or Isaiah 25.6-9; Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24 or Hymn to the Risen Christ (APBA, p. 6) 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 or Acts 10.34-43; John 20.1-18 or Mark 16.1-8

We are reminded today that death has lost its sting. We are inheritors of eternal life because Jesus has been raised from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia! As people of the resurrection, we carry this message of hope into every arena of grief and loss. The cords of limited life and the shadow of death do not ensnare us forever. Jesus gives us the hope of heaven. He invites us to a life of joy and thankfulness. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pray for churches everywhere as they proclaim the Mystery of Easter.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Community of the Resurrection in the UK and southern Africa.

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### Knitting for the Disadvantaged



How can you help this important ministry?

1. You can help by knitting or crocheting Beanies and fingerless gloves.
2. If you have any left over wool or acrylic wool please

consider donating it as it is always needed.

### Parish Pantry

Thank you to for continuing to support our Parish Pantry. We are in need of long life milk, baked beans, spaghetti, tinned fish, cereals spreads.

