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Acknowledgement of Country

We, acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of this land.

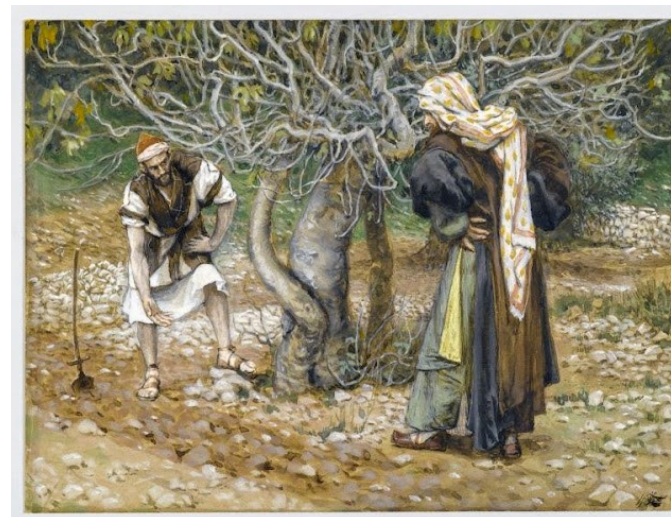
We pay tribute and respect to the elders both past and present.



Fifth Sunday of Easter

28th April 2024

All are welcome



[Wikimedia](#) Artist: James Tissot (1836–1902)

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

From Grahame

ANZAC Day has come and gone again. This year I had the privilege of being invited to play a small part in both the dawn and main services in Mullumbimby. Over 200 people gathered at the earliest dawn service I have ever attended. A greater number were present later for the main service. The RSL Sub Branch had arranged to include as many people as possible in the proceedings including a number of school students. It is always a joy to hear our school students contribute and be introduced to public speaking as they share their thoughts and stories. There was no hint of the oft criticism brought of glorifying of war. There was appropriate respect and acknowledgement of the commitment of those who have served and continue to serve through our defence forces, and a commemoration of those who have fallen. May we continue to remember them and support their families.

One of the themes promoted by the Department of Veterans Affairs this year is *Commemorating Indigenous Service in the First World War*. The commemorative poster depicts a photograph of Private Fredrick Prentice of the Northern Territory who enlisted in 1915, his 21st year even though government regulation at that time did not permit the enlistment of First Nations Peoples. Private Prentice served in the 12th Australian Infantry Battalion and the 12th Australian Pioneer Battalion. He was awarded the Military Medal for exhibiting *great courage, resource and ability* during an action on 19 July 1916 at Pozières, France. Fredrick survived the war and returned to Australia as a Lance Corporal in 1919.

We face many challenges and have many complaints. I am deeply grateful for the service of women and men such as Corporal Pretence and the opportunity to face these challenges and the freedom to voice my complaints.

Lest We Forget

With every blessing Grahame

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay 9am-3pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby 9am-4pm

28th April Fifth Sunday of Easter

11am St Martin's Mullumbimby

5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am St Paul Byron Bay

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday - Friday 10am-2pm Saturday - 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Monday - 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

Mission of the Month: Mens Shed Bangalow

Is a place where men from all backgrounds and ages can come together to talk, share skills, learn new skills. The Men's Sheds have been proven to help many men overcome many hurdles they have to deal with. Funding for the Bangalow Mens Shed is through grants and Fundraising so please help if you are able.

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission Anglicare Australia

Chair: The Right Reverend Chris Jones

Executive Director: Kasy Chambers

Anglicare North Coast

Chief Executive Officer: Mark McNamara

Chair: Anne Bryce

We give thanks for the opportunity to minister to the material and social needs of people in our Diocese.

We give thanks for partnerships with parishes, governments, and donors to enable our work. We give thanks for dedicated staff who do their work with compassion and skill. We pray for people who are suffering from the effects of poverty, hardship, and disadvantage. We acknowledge and seek to reflect God's compassionate heart for those who suffer. We pray for wisdom, safety and perseverance as we work to find solutions with people in distress. We pray for courage as we advocate for justice, peace, and reconciliation. We pray for a blessing on our work, that it may have an impact in households and communities for the sake of the Gospel.

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON Anglicare North Coast Board

Anne Bryce (**Chair**) Dr Liesa Clague Mark Fenton Michael Flanderka The Reverend Greg March The Reverend Constantine Osuchukwu Anne Marie Troutman

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, Wayne & Robyn Elliot.

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless. The Liberation Larder, The Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre, Ministry of Byron Bay & Mullumbimby Christian Education.



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

Services

28th April Fifth Sunday of Easter

11am St Martin's Mullumbimby

5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Paul Byron Bay

12th May Seventh Sunday of Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am All Souls' Bangalow

11am St Columba Ewingsdale

Readings

28th April Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40, Psalm 22:26-32, 1 John 4:7-21,
John 15:1-8

5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:44-48, Psalm 98, 1 John 5:1-12, John 15:9-17

12th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, Psalm 1, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

Parish News

Cursillo Fire Day



Those who have attended Cursillo are invite to attend a **Fire Day** at St Cuthbert's Anglican Church, Tweed Heads. Saturday 11th May, 9.30am-3pm. The theme is "Letting Go".

Knitting for the Disadvantaged

How can I help in 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.



It is getting time to give the out the beanies & gloves if you have any please get them to Sue Williams so they can be distributed.

Parish Pantry

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

Confirmation

Confirmation in the Anglican Tradition will be offered in the second half of 2024. For more information and to book for preparation, please contact us as soon as possible.

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Biggest Morning Tea



On Friday 24th May we will be hosting a Biggest Morning Tea in St Pauls Byron Bay. We need people to volunteer on the day to help set up/pack up, serve, wash up. We will also like people to bake goods as well. If you are interested please let Sue know. More information to follow.

Concert St Mary's Ballina

Robert Eather, Organist and Music Director at Christ Church Cathedral is performing in St Mary's April 28th 3pm.

New Organ for All Souls' church



You may be aware that some months ago the organ at All Souls, which has served for many years in various locations, experienced a catastrophic failure. Parish Council has considered options and resolved to purchase A Clavis 224 digital organ from All Organs in Brisbane. The cost of the Clavis 224 is \$ 18 000.00 plus GST, with a 10 year warranty including lessons from All Organs on special features and follow up support from Brisbane.

If you would like to donate in support of this purchase, please use the parish direct deposit details using the reference 'organ' or contact Anne in the office to make other arrangements.

There is nothing quite like live music in worship. Thank you for your consideration.

Easter 5 B Sunday 28 April 2024

Acts 8.26-40; Psalm 22.26-32; 1 John 4.7-21; John 15.1-8

It is said that St John in advanced age became too frail to preach, so his disciples would carry him into the assembly where he would say simply, "Little children love one another". Abiding in love is one of the central themes of the writings that take his name. Today we have those themes brought together in the image of the vine. The vine is the sum of the branched. One is indistinguishable from the other. When we truly abide in Divine love, we are indistinguishable from Christ.

Pray that we all may experience God's love.
Give thanks for the work and witness of the
Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev and Rt Hon
Justin Welby

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