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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.





Trinity Sunday 26th May 2024

All are welcome



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

From Grahame

Last week we celebrated Pentecost, the revealing of the Holy Spirit which we recognise as our enabler in living out God's great rescue mission for God's people. In this mission we must remember Jesus has already conquered death, so we live as a resurrection community of Jesus the Christ. This is our context as we study the Holy Scriptures and live the lives we are called to live in community, thankful for the gifts we have received; a community which appreciates the differing expressions of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Today we celebrate the Trinity. The way God is revealed to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. One God – Creator, Liberator, Sustainer – God who created us and all we have, God who has liberated us from sin, God who enables us for our lives of mission in God's creation. Three yet one. I don't know if any of you have noticed but I have been banging on for some little while about God's love and the power of this love to transform lives, communities and all creation. Love is about relationship, our relationship with all creation. The way we live out this relationship matters, it matters to God and it matters to us.

In our gospel passage this week we have again gone back before the crucifixion of Jesus to learn how to live in relationship now. Nicodemus had listened to Jesus in public and heard enough to cause him to come to Jesus by night, in the hope of learning more. In just a few words Nicodemus heard God the Son speak of God the Father and God the Spirit. Three and one. Then Jesus delivered the most important words for each of us and all creation. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life". Jesus goes on to announce the mission statement of God's great rescue mission for God's people in John 3.17 - "For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." Jesus came to save the world, the whole world.

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

26th May Trinity Sunday

11am St Martins Mullumbimby followed by a

light bring and share lunch.

2nd June Second Sunday after Penetcost

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Paul's 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



Westpac Rescue Helicopter

Saving lives in our community!

Week of Prayer for Reconciliation Prayer Focus This Week:

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON

Little Brothers of Francis (Tabulam) Brother Wayne, Brother Howard, Brother Geoffrey



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

THE DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA

Bishop Clarence Bester & Michelle Clergy and Laity

The Parish of Tweed Heads

The Rev'd Canon Dway Goon Chew & Leeza, The Rev'd Sue Woodcock, The Rev'd Cameron Smith

LLM

Maria, Adrian, Deborah, Yvonne.

Local Prayer Focus

Helen, Brett, Greg, Jean, 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.

The expression of Judaism Jesus was born into gave status to being born of the right family. This is why much is made of Joseph being of the line of King David. Jesus then found some fishermen to be his disciples. Jesus bridged the gap between a focus on being part of the right family, the right crowd, and all creation. Nicodemus struggled with the concept that his status as a Pharisee did not give him preferred position in the reconciled family of God. The family name on his birth certificate would no longer be enough. He must be born again into God's family of all, reconciled in the gift of the Son, enabled by the Holy Spirit; one family.

In God's being we have the ultimate expression of harmonious relationship which we describe as Father, Son and Holy Spirit; God the Father who created us, God the Son who reconciled us, God the Holy Spirit who sustains us in perfect unity and harmony. Imagine living in a world where all lived in perfect harmony, not because everyone was the same, but because they didn't feel the need to be the same; where the harmony was actually the cause of the reality that we are each different in many ways while at the same time being one through the things we share in common, - the same yet different. Imagine.

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

Services 26th May Trinity Sunday

11am St Martins Mullumbimby

2nd June Second Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am St Thomas' Brunswick Heads

9am St Paul's Byron Bay

Readings

26th May Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17.

2nd June Second Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 3:1-10, Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, 2 Corinthians 4:5-12, Mark 2:23-3:6.

Parish News

Commissioning of New Licensed Lay Ministers

On Sunday the Parish was blessed with the commissioning of Mark and Irini Thornton. We look forward with joy to working alongside them.

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. There has been more donated to the parish if you need any to knit beanies or gloves please call into St Pauls and pick up some.

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. 02 6684 3552, office@byronanglicans.org.au

National Sorry Day

Sorry Day is held each year on 26 May. It is held to acknowledge the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were forcibly removed from their families and communities – the people who would become known as the Stolen Generations.

Reconciliation Action Plan Community Listening Time—A Beginning

As part of Reconciliation Week, come, be with us, as we open a time of listening and sharing, seeking to develop a Reconciliation Action Plan for the Anglican Diocese of Grafton. Wednesday 29th May 5pm, Christ Church Cathedral Grafton.

