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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.

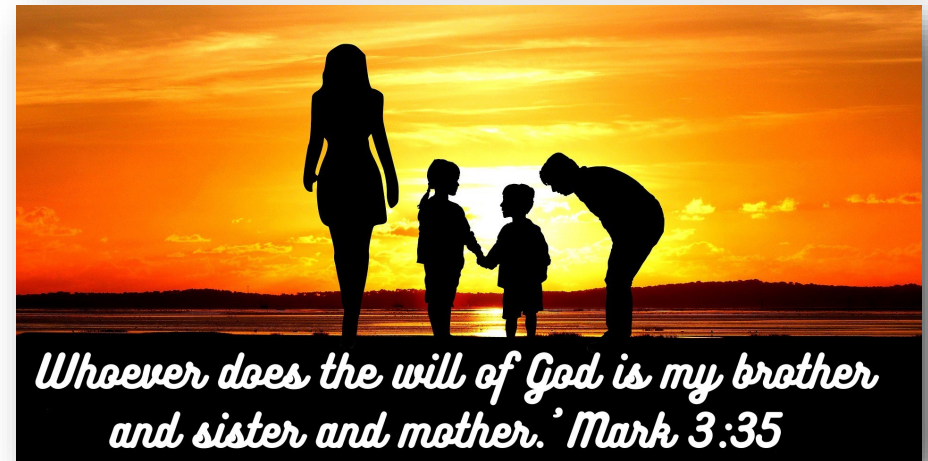


Byron Anglicans
We are one

**Third Sunday after
Pentecost**

9th June 2024

All are welcome



*Whoever does the will of God is my brother
and sister and mother.' Mark 3:35*

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

From Grahame

Key to our lives of faith is remembering that everything we have is gift. Everything we give to others is the passing on of a gift we have freely received. In comparison to God's love for us and the sacrifice of Christ, our contributions to God's Kingdom may seem very small. This often leads to people saying 'I am only one person, what can I do?' Jesus reminds us that our lives matter. Jesus gathered a diverse group in ministry with differing gifts to be in a kind of harmony. We often seem to expend a great deal of energy trying to make others see things our way, to be like us, rather than contributing our gift to the whole, contributing to harmony.

Communities die when the 'how can I help' attitude is replaced by negative judgements and 'I am only one person' attitudes take over. Communities grow and thrive when people do what they can no matter how small their effort may seem. As we reflected a couple of weeks ago one of the most important things we do as people of faith is pray. God promises that all of our actions begun and ended in prayer will bear fruit. We should never think that our contribution is meaningless. Some are able to help in the community financially, some help through their physical efforts, some through prayer support and the encouragement of others. As all these contributions come together, communities are built up and before you know it, the world has been transformed.

Prayer is a crucial part of being in harmony with God's Kingdom. In my early years in team ministry in the west of NSW, we were blessed by the ministry of a retired bishop as our Episcopal Visitor. This bishop would regular phone to check in and, when he could get a lift, come to visit us in the outback. He actually continued to phone regularly to check in for many years after he ceased having that responsibility and I know for a fact he prayed for every member of my family daily until the day he went to glory. When he could do nothing else he prayed.

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm RSL Life Holy Communion 10am
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay 9am-3pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby 9am-4pm

9th June Third Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	St Martin's Mullumbimby
11am	St Columba Ewingsdale

16th June Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am	St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am	All Souls Bangalow

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

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission

Anglican Aid Abroad

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks

THE DIOCESE OF BRISBANE

Archbishop Jeremy Greaves Josie, Bishop John Roundhill & Frances Thompson, Bishop Cameron Venables & Kate, Clergy and Laity

The Parish of Dorrigo

The Rev'd Michael Ridge, The Rev'd Viv Hoskins & Margo.

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.

Mission of the Month

Fletcher Street Cottage

Support, information, referrals, basic needs and advocacy for locals in need: Byron Community Centre.



A prayer which became part of our daily prayers is the one I introduced at our welcome to the Parish, which was adapted from the daily prayer of Mary Sumner, the founder of Mothers Union. It may be familiar to you as it regularly appears in this bulletin. I offer it as a resource opportunity not an obligation. Some things to note: it says – through the words I speak, the prayer I breathe, **or** the life I live. Or, not necessarily all, all the time. Some days our offering may be a prayer; some days a word; some days just by our being, the Kingdom of God may be revealed to be closer than we imagined.

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

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7.30am	St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am	St Martins Mullumbimby
11am	St Columba Ewingsdale

16th June Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am	St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am	All Souls Bangalow followed by Parish Council Meeting

Readings

9th June Third Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20, 11:14-15, Psalm 138,
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 3: 20-35.

16th June Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13, Psalm 20, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17,
Mark 4:26-34

Parish News

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

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 Paul's and pick up some.



May 2024 Parish Council Report

The following are some of the matters discussed at Parish council on 19th May.

Bangalow Op Shop is awaiting an upgrade to their NBN connection.

A quote has been accepted for the repair of St Thomas' bell tower.

Decision pending on quotes to replace St Martin's hall roof.

A new organ is in place at All Souls. Thank you to everyone who made donations towards its purchase.

Thank you to the small group of people who undertook the gardening work at All Souls & St Thomas'.

Ian White has accepted nomination as a replacement Synod Representative.

Donations from Op Shop profits last month were made to Parish pantry, Fletcher Street Cottage and Refugee Legal Aid Service.

Rev Brenda and LLM Iriini Thornton are well along with planning for new Ministries of a playgroup and a Primary School Age Activity Group. Brenda and Iriini will also be attending Godly Play training.



Art of Centering Prayer

A Meditation course for beginners

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(P.S experienced meditators welcome too: Be willing to be a beginner every single morning.

– Meister Eckhart)

*Weds. 10am-10.45am
12 June - 24 July 2024
6 The Avenue Alstonville*

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