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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

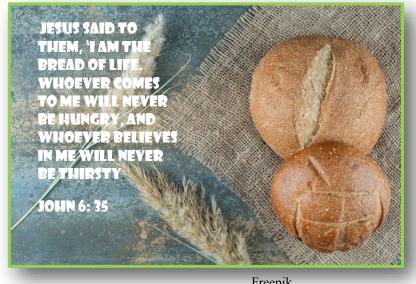




Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

4th August 2024

All are welcome



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

From Grahame

In the lead up to this week's gospel passage, those with Jesus have experienced a number of miracles including, the multiplication of loaves, Jesus walking on water, and the immediate arrival at their destination once Jesus got in the boat.

Some try to rationalise these miracles. A dear priest friend of mine has a view that the real miracle was not a multiplication of loaves but that once Jesus and his followers began to share out the bread and fish, others brought out what they had. This is a very attractive notion and reminds us that God gives us what we need and it is only our unwillingness to submit to God and share the resources of the earth that there is a problem. I believe this is what God wants of us, to share what we have with those who have less, as families; as communities; as nations. I also believe there was a miraculous multiplication of food. The miracles Jesus did, happened. The miracles Jesus did were always signs pointing the way back to God for a people that had strayed. The miracles of Jesus point to the greatest miracle which is God's love for God's people.

In this week's passage, the desire of the crowd is to witness yet another sign, perhaps more bread to eat, even as they stood before the living bread of God. It is this attitude which causes us to continue to seek our desires and our triumphs in and of a world separated from God, regardless of how many times it is proved to us that this can never satisfy. Jesus is the bread we need.

Through Jesus the Christ we have the opportunity to shape our communities by the abundant presence of God in God's gifts of love and forgiveness. In this way we may live life in its fullness as the Body of Christ.

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

AOK St Pauls Byron Bay 12noon—2.30pm

FRIDAY Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm

Mullumbimby 9am-4pm

Saturday Ministry Area Meeting St Pauls Byron Bay

9.30am

4th August Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9am St Martins Mullumbimby

11th August Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads

9am St Pauls Byron Bay 11am St Columba Ewingsdale

18th August Thirteenth 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 National Home Mission Fund (Anglican Outback Fund) Chairman: The Right Rev'd Geoff Smith

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



THE DIOCESE OF ADELAIDE

Archbishop Geoff Smith & Lynn, Bishop Denise Ferguson & Mark, Bishop Tim Harris & Fiona, Bishop Chris McLeod & Susan, Clergy and Laity

The Parish of Ballina

The Rev'd Cathy Ridd, The Rev'd Amanda Larkin, The Rev'd Richard Brown & Carol.

LLM John, Pat, John

Local Prayer Focus

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



The Buttery

The Buttery assists people living with alcohol and substance misuse and mental health conditions to achieve recovery and rebuild their lives.

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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Readings

4th August Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a, Psalm 51:1-12, Ephesians 4:1-16, John 6:24-35

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2 Samuel 18:5-9,14,31-33, Psalm 130, Ephesians 4:25-5:2, John 6:35,41-51.

18th August Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 2:10-12;3:3-14, Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:11-21 John 6:51-58

Parish News

Ministry Area Meeting

There will be a Ministry Area meeting at St Paul's Byron Bay, 10th August, 9.30am to consider worship arrangements and other ministries across the parish.

AOK St Paul's Byron Bay

AOK group meets each Thursday in Byron Bay from 12pm starting with lunch.

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

Parish Pantry

The call on the Parish Pantry is very high at the moment. Donations of non-perishable items would be gratefully accepted. Items of tinned baked beans, spaghetti, tuna, soups with ring pull, tetra milk, spreads etc, please leave in any centre or take them to the Parish Centre Mullumbimby. Your help is appreciated.

July 2024 Parish Council Report

These matters were discussed at the recent Parish Council meeting held on 21st July at St Paul's.

There has been no further progression of the roof at St Martin's hall. This matter is the most pressing of the Parish's maintenance.

Tree trimming around the bell tower at St Thomas' is being carried out in preparation for repair work.

Our Synod representatives presented a report.

Quotes are currently being sought for the Bangalow Op Shop extension.

Quotes for the scaffolding and painting of the Vicarage, Bangalow, were tabled

Ordinary Sunday 18 B Sunday 4 August 2024

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How tempting it is to ask Jesus for a 'sign', like the disciples, when, as for them, Jesus is with us fully in our life. There is nothing more we need, but to trust him in love.

May we trust Christ in love and so build his church, the faithful community of love.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the nation's Torres Strait Islander clergy, virtually all of whom work for the church without a stipend.

Text: Pamela Davey and the Rev'd Sr Jan Crombie SSA (ABM Board) © Anglican Board of Mission, 2024



"Hope25 is a project of the <u>Anglican Church Australia</u> <u>Mission</u> and <u>Ministry Commission</u> is to plan a season of Parish-based evangelism in 2025. **Hope25 – Hope in an Uncertain World** is that project."

We are being called to plan at least one intentional outreach event or activity as part of the HOPE25 national campaign, between Easter Day and Pentecost 2025. Now is the time to begin planning for this and is just one of the exciting things which will come out of our Ministry Area gatherings.