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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.*

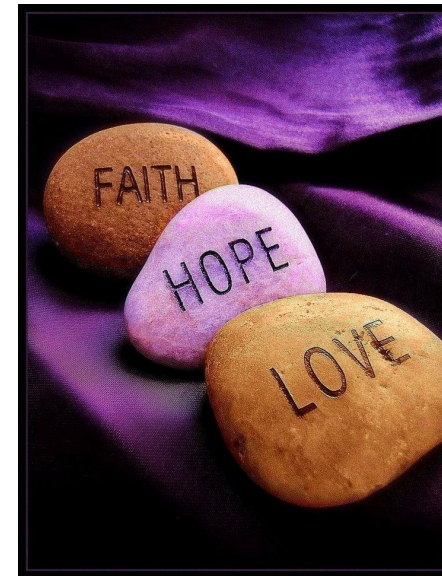


**Byron Anglicans**  
We are one

# Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

**17th November 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

As we have journeyed with the challenges of Job again recently we have been reassured that God is with us in our most challenging times. In the set readings this Sunday, we are also encouraged to live lives that are full of God's promise for God's people. Hannah prayed for a new beginning and received Samuel. We hear her response to this blessing in Hannah's Song. In our Gospel reading this week, Jesus reminds his close community that they will face challenges and that their protection will be by faith and in the love and hope of community. What is it we entrust to our community? What do we need to hold on to, and what do we need to let go? What is it that is important about this community of faith? What lines would we add to Hannah's song, which would reflect God's actions in our lives?

The way we answer these questions will determine the way we live out our lives of faith. It will determine the way we act toward God and each other. If we do not believe we will make a difference then we will probably not make use of the opportunities God places before us; opportunities to make a difference in the lives of those around us and in the wider world.

We are called to be active participants in our communities and how we participate matters, our contribution matters. Faith, love and hope. In the challenges and triumphs of our lives the Holy Spirit is with us, hope is with us, and through faith in this reality we may live lives which share God's love for God's people.

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

# Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

<b>TUESDAY</b>	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Byron Bay 9am-3pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm AOK St Pauls Byron Bay 10am
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Guided Meditation All Souls Bangalow 5pm

## 17th November Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9.30am	Parish Council Meeting Bangalow Hall
11am	All Souls Bangalow

## 24th November Christ the King

7.30am	St Thomas' Brunswick Heads
9am	All Souls Bangalow
9am	St Martin's Mullumbimby
9am	St Pauls Byron Bay

## Op Shop Opening Hours

<b>Bangalow</b>	Monday - Friday 10am-2pm Saturday - 9.30am-12.30pm
<b>Byron Bay</b>	Monday - Friday 9am - 1pm
<b>Mullumbimby</b>	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 Cursillo Movement  
National Lay Director: Mr James Warland  
National Spiritual Advisor: The Reverend  
Jane Lamont

### Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

**Bishop** The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey  
**Archdeacon** Tiffany Sparks

### THE DIOCESE OF NORTH QUEENSLAND

Bishop Keith Joseph  
Clergy & Laity

### The Paris of Maclean

The Venerable Kay Hart & Alan, The Rev'd Judy Edwards &  
John, The Rev'd Hope Bennett & Alan, The Rev'd Lenore  
Parker.

**LLM** John, Cristina, John, Gwynne, Wendy, Gay.

### Local Prayer Focus

Lisa, 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** - *This comes from the mission side of  
your tithe envelopes or if you direct deposit, please  
indicate in the reference. This month goes to:*

**Angel Flight.** At Angel Flight Australia, we work with our team of  
generous volunteers to coordinate free, non-emergency flights and  
transfers so people living remotely across Australia can access  
specialist medical treatments.



## Services

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## Readings

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1 Samuel 1:4-20, Psalm Song of Hannah,  
Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 Mark 13:1-11

### 24th November Christ the King

2 Samuel 23:1-7, Psalm 132:1-12, Revelation 1:4b-8  
John 18:33-37

## Parish News

### Diocesan Restructure Review

Saturday 23rd November 9.00am for a cuppa and then a  
9.30am start in Bangalow hall there will be an opportunity  
for us to come together to look at how we are going with the  
amalgamation and what a future path might look like. The  
morning will be run by a consultant. Please take this  
opportunity to come along and share your ideas.

### Parish Pantry

Thank you to everyone who donates to the Food Pantry.  
Christmas treats are always a welcome addition to the food  
parcels at this time of year. Mince tarts, shortbread, mini  
Christmas cakes, sweets etc can make someone's day.

## **Carols under the Poinciana**

Tuesday 26th November 5pm, St Martin's Mullumbimby.  
If you would like to attend and need assistance with transport please let a warden, Grahame or the office staff know.

## **The Hive Playgroup Bangalow**

Please spread the word about this exciting, fun event happening on Saturday mornings 9-10.30am in Bangalow.

## **Guided Meditation**

Meditation in Contemporary Taize style  
5pm Sunday All Souls' Anglican Church Bangalow

## **Advent Study**

An Advent study will be held at 5-6pm in the Bangalow Rectory commencing Sunday 1st December. This Study will take the place of the Taize Meditation for this 4 week period. The Study will be based on the Caravan Books which cover 'Incarnational stories set in an Australian Landscape'. Please phone 66843552 or email office@byronanglicans.org.au if you are planning to attend.

## **Diocesan Celebration: 16th November 2024**

In addition to our joyful focus during the ordination service on Saturday, 16th November on celebrating the ordination of our new deacons, we will also mark the Cathedral's anniversary in this diocesan gathering in two ways:

- Offering prayers of thanksgiving and intercessions for the life and ministry of the Cathedral.
- Singing the hymn "Lord, for the Years," a reflection on God's presence through the past, present, and future. This hymn, written by Timothy Dudley-Smith, a noted Anglican hymn writer and Church of England Bishop who passed away recently, has been chosen for its fitting message. An additional verse has been created for our 140th anniversary:

*"Lord, for this place, Christ Church Cathedral, Grafton, where love and faith have marked this anniversary, a beacon bright through joys and through our tears: Lord of this house, we lift our thanks today."*

I encourage you and members of your ministry unit to become familiar with this hymn in preparation for the ordination service. You may also wish to include it in your own local ministry unit celebrations of this significant anniversary.

## **Ordinary Sunday 33 B Sunday 17 November 2024**

1 Samuel 1.4-20; The *Song of Hannah* (APBA p. 429);  
Hebrews 10.11-14 [15-18] 19-25; Mark 13.1-11

Today's gospel was written in the context of the persecution Christians were already beginning to experience. The words are to encourage them (as well as us) in times of trial, rather than point to a timetable for God's actions in the world. Whenever we challenge injustice or speak against the powers of oppression, then the powers will fight back, but we can trust that the Holy Spirit will give us the words we need.

Pray for Christians round the world who face persecution because of their stand for justice.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Amity Foundation, created in 1985 on the initiative of Christians in China with the late Bishop K H Ting as its founder. Its main objective has been to help develop poor areas of the country.

*Text:* Brother Christopher John SSF © Anglican Board of Mission, 2024