The Clergy, Wardens and Office welcome your enquiries and calls.

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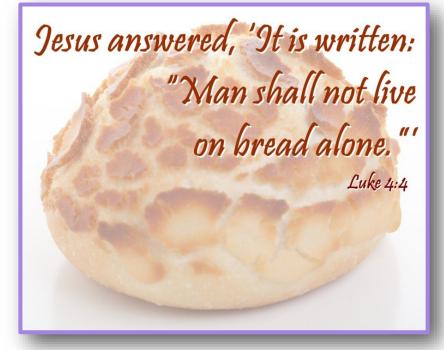


Acknowledgement of Country We, acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of this land. We pay tribute and respect to the elders both past and present.



9th March 2025

All are welcome



The Reflectionary

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

From Grahame

As I write there is a cyclone off the coast. The view out the office window in Mullumbimby, alternates between torrential rain and sunshine. Sandbag points have been advertised and many community events cancelled, as we prepare for the unknown. At Main Beach in Byron Bay early this morning, there was much excitement as surf boards were given an extra coating of wax in preparation for tackling some of the largest waves I have seen on the Northern Rivers. At sunrise in Bangalow, a business owner was unsure what they should do next. In the midst of all this we prepare for a future unsure of what will occur between now and then. Actually, every week is like this, it is just that this week we have a name for this period of uncertainty.

The season of Lent began on Wednesday, Ash Wednesday. Lent is a few short weeks each year when we are particularly encouraged to contemplate our lives and our lives of faith, considering how they align. Lent is about being honest with ourselves. We know the story. We know what is to come. As we seek to reflect on those aspects of our lives we may need to amend, we know the gift of Easter. The path may seem to be obscured from time to time yet in Christ Jesus, our future is assured.

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



Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm RSL Life Communion 10am
WEDNESDAY	Byron Bay 9am-3pm Lenten Study St Pauls Byron Bay 1-2pm
THURSDAY	Mullumbimby 9am-4pm Guess Who's Coming Coffee St Pauls Byron Bay 10am
FRIDAY	Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
SUNDAY	Sunday Sanctuary Meditation All Souls Bangalow 5pm

9th March First Sunday of Lent

- 7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
- 9am All Souls Bangalow
- 9am St Martins Mullumbimby
- 9am St Pauls Byron Bay.
- 11am St Columba Ewingsdale

16th March Second Sunday of Lent

- 9am Parish Council St Martins Mullumbimby
- 11am St Martins Mullumbimby 100 years Celebration, Bishop Murry Harvey Pastoral Visit, followed by bring and share lunch

Op Shop Opening Hours

Bangalow	Monday - Friday 10am-2pm Saturday - 9.30am-12.30pm
Byron Bay	Monday - Saturday 9am - 1pm
Mullumbimby	Monday - Friday 9.30am - 3.30pm

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 Bendigo Bishop Matt Brain & Racheal, Clergy and Laity

The Parish of Coffs Harbour

The Rev'd Nathan dean & Anita, The Rev'd Carol Ford & David, The Rev'd Kassimiro Yanga & Edina.

LLM: Bob, Elaine, David, Jennifer, Allan, Gae, Bob.

Local Prayer Focus

Carol, Neil, Tina, Mitch, Harriet and extended family, 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 for March :ABM Working for Love, Hope & Justice

Anglican Board of Mission is the national mission agency for the Anglican Church. It is the channel through which Australian Anglicans participate in mission, both here and overseas.

Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

Anglican Parish of Byron **BSB**: 705 077 **Account**: 00041263





Hope25 is getting closer. You will remember Hope25 is a call on every Anglican Church in Australia to hold at least one dedicated outreach event or activity between Easter and The Day of Pentecost this year, proclaiming hope in an uncertain world. We know the hope of God's love and this is yet another encouragement and opportunity for us to share it.

Services

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Readings

9th March First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Romans 10:4-13, Luke 4:1-15

16th March Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15: 1-12, 17:18, Psalm 27, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-35

23rd March Third Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 55: 1-9, Psalm 63:1-9, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

Parish News



Backpacks for Kids

We have been approached by the Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre to help put together backpacks for children escaping domestic violence. A list has been put together of items that can be included in the backpacks, you will find it in the bulletin. If unsure of what to buy a donation of money would be appreciated. Rev'd Brenda will be taking them over on the fourth Wednesday of

each month.

Sunday Sanctuary Meditation



Sunday Sanctuary Meditation is on at All Souls' Bangalow on Sundays at 5pm. Join us for live Taizé-inspired music, and contemplation. Sunday Sanctuary is the perfect way to cultivate stillness and calm in preparation for the challenges of the week ahead. We hope to see you there!

BCA Box Month

March is BCA box month. Boxes can be brought into each centre for collection.

Faithfulness In Service Course

This course is being run in Alstonville Ministry Centre on Saturday 15th March 9am—12pm. Please contact the Parish Office: office@byronanglicans.org.au if you would like to attend.

Guess Who's Coming for Coffee



Thursday 13th March @10am-12pm, St Paul's Byron Bay. Come along for a delicious morning tea, a guest speaker and some great company.

Diary Dates

Lenten Study

Commencing 12th March 1pm St Paul's Byron Bay Contact Sue admin@byronanglicans.org.au to RSVP

Bishop's Visit

16th March 11am St Martin's Mullumbimby.

Centenary St Martin's Mullumbimby



25th March 2025 St Martin's Mullumbimby turns 100! There are several events planned to mark the occasion. These begin with the **Bishop's visit on the 16th March** with an 11am service and shared lunch afterwards. **On Sunday 23rd March 3pm** there will be a **'Centenary Celebration Concert'** featuring local artists followed by an afternoon tea.

AOK

AOK Craft group meet on Thursdays @10am in St Paul's Byron Bay. Remember it is never too late to learn a new skill! Everyone is welcome!

To Make you smile!

If you ever get locked out of your house, talk to your lock calmly.

Because communication is key!

