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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.*



**24th August 2025**

**All are welcome**



Free Bible images

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

## From Grahame

The people around Jesus in our focus passage from Luke 13 this week, continue to misunderstand the changing times. Jesus brings healing and in response, those in authority try to use the Sabbath regulation to suggest Jesus is from 'the other guy'. Jesus responds with an example of common-sense practice – they would let a tied up animal loose, no one would deny that. But setting a woman free from her affliction is seen as unworthy. There are six days to deal with that type of thing, they say. Six days! They had 18 years! This woman had waited eighteen years. She was bowed down in body and in spirit. God uses these facts at a particular time and place. God uses the irritation and ignorance of those who should have been able to help, to focus attention on God's grace, to focus attention on Jesus, as a turning point in human history begins to be revealed. A time when we would be joined to a new covenant, a new future, which as a consequence transforms our present. The way we live now.

I say again as I did last week. If we are true in answering God's call to follow in the way of Jesus, we have no choice but to witness to God's all embracing love in the words we speak, the prayers we breath and the lives we live.

With every blessing,  
Grahame

## Services

### 24th August Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

7.30am St Thomas' Brunswick Heads  
9am All Souls Bangalow  
9am St Martins Mullumbimby  
9am St Pauls Byron Bay  
5pm Sunday Sanctuary Meditation All Souls Bangalow

# Weekly Happenings

**Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone**

**TUESDAY** Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am - 5pm  
**WEDNESDAY** Byron Bay Office 9am-3pm  
**THURSDAY** Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am - 5pm  
More than Coffee St Paul's Byron Bay  
**FRIDAY** Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am - 5pm  
Byron Bay Office 9am-12.30pm  
**SATURDAY** Hive Playgroup Bangalow 9-10.30am

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### 31st August Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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### 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

Vicar of Bangkok

**Vicar** The Rev'd Matthew Fitter & Guen

### Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

**Bishop** The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

**Archdeacon** Tiffany Sparks

### The Diocese of The Murry

Bishop Keith Dalby & Alice, Clergy and Laity

### The Parish of Sawtell/Bonville

The Rev'd Kevin Booth & Anne, The Rev'd Mark Evans.

### LLM

Geoff, Trevor.

### Local Prayer Focus

June, John, Sophie, Anna, Jean, Charmaine, Lee, Carol, Neil, Brett, Janie, Marjory, Lin, Hilary and Paul, Rachael, Billy

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless.

The Liberation Larder, The Mullumbimby & District

Neighbourhood Centre, Ministry of Byron Bay &

Mullumbimby Christian Education.

### Bulletin News Items

For inclusion in the weekly bulletin please forward items to Sue Williams by Wednesday morning. Sue Williams Phone 66843552

Email: [admin@byronanglicans.org.au](mailto:admin@byronanglicans.org.au)

### Mission of the Month for August: The Buttery.

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



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### Readings

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Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:10-17

### 31st August Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 2:4-13, Psalm 81:1, 10-16, Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14

### Parish News

On Sunday 31st August Pastor Phil Dokmanovic and the congregation of the Uniting Church in Byron Bay will be joining the congregation of St Paul's at 9am for worship.

### Coffee with Murray



Join Murray for coffee Thursdays 10am at Paseo Café in Mullumbimby.

### Stamps

ABM collects stamps to help fund their important work. Please when you are going through your mail cut off your stamps with approx. a 2cm boarder around it, these can be left in any of our centres. They are then sent to ABM. We recently sent a donation of stamps to ABM and they have written back thanking you all for the gift of this valuable source of income for the work of ABM. They also let us know that they can no longer accept Australian stamps with a value under 50c.

## **"More than just a cuppa" St Paul's Byron Bay**

We are changing the name of AOK to **"More than just a cuppa"**. We meet every Thursday during school terms for Arts and Crafts from 10am-12noon. All are welcome to join us for coffee and a chat, with craft included.

## **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!

## **Hive Playgroup**



The Hive Playgroup meets on Saturday mornings at 9.00am in All Souls' hall. If you have young people in your family, or know of any children (all ages are welcome!) who might like to come and enjoy games, activities and lots of fun, please spread the word.

## **ABM Pew Reflection**

*Friends of ABM Reflecting on various themes.*



My first work trip when I joined Episcopal Relief & Development 18 years ago, was to Myanmar where I not only met local partners but also got introduced to the Anglican Board of Mission's long historical presence in Myanmar. Over the subsequent 18 years, I have had the privilege of learning more about ABM's transforma-

tional footprint across the Anglican world, often through joint monitoring visits including with Julianne in Juba, with Terry in Manila, with Isabel in Nanjing, with Kate in New Plymouth,

with John in Bangkok, and most recently with Lina in Colombo. Anglican Board of Mission - Anglicans in Development has a rich history of partnership beyond the above incomplete list where there are funded-projects. Just as valuable, but much less visible, are the countless ABM-AID initiatives of accompaniment, coaching and mentorship afforded to community leaders and change agents across the world. I can't imagine that there has been a single week in the past 18 years where I haven't had some sort of ABM engagement – be it on zoom, field visit, email or a network call. ABM-AID is a very close thought-partner of Episcopal Relief & Development and I have been enriched by our interactions. Friends, a Happy 175th Birthday! The future looks brighter with ABM leading the way! Nagulan Nesiah, who works for ERD in Sri Lanka

## **Sunday 24th August**

### **Sentence of the Day**

You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust from my youth. Upon you have I leaned since my birth. Psalm 71.5-6

### **Collect**

O God, the Judge of all,  
through the saving blood of your Son  
you have brought us to the heavenly Jerusalem  
and given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken:  
fill us with reverence and awe in your presence,  
that in thanksgiving  
we and all your Church  
may offer you acceptable worship;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives to intercede for us, now and for ever.  
Amen.

