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Acknowledgement of Country

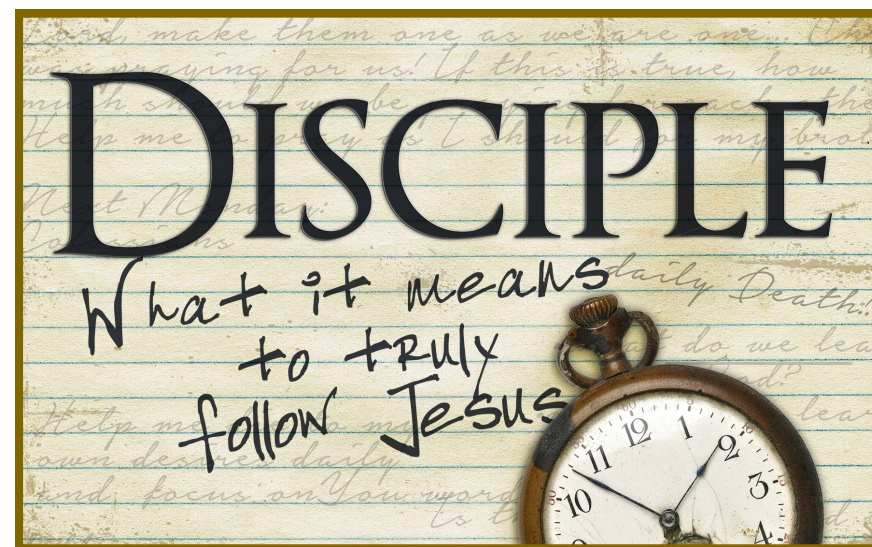
We, acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of this land.

We pay tribute and respect to the elders both past and present.



7th September 2025

All are welcome



Dust of the Bible

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

From Grahame

In our focus passage from Luke 14 this Sunday, Jesus once again surprises the crowd of hangers-on with his forthright mode of speech. Jesus does not pander to those who would have him change his message to suit their sensibilities. It is one thing to be carried along with the crowd when things are going well, but where will the same people be when the challenging times, the testing times come?

Following Jesus requires a commitment, it requires a decision.

As we have been hearing the past few weeks, it requires a decision about who Jesus is. Is Jesus part of the God team, working for God's purposes for good, or not. Once we make this decision, it requires a commitment through easy times and not so easy times. It requires a personal decision about the relationship between each one of us and God. It requires faithfulness to that decision. Who builds a tower or goes to war without counting the cost? Some do. Whether we do or we don't, when it comes to our decision about our faith, there will be consequences and we will need to live with those consequences for a really, really, really, really, really long time, it will seem like for ever.

We have a number of people in the parish considering Confirmation. Confirmation is the confirming of the promises we made at our baptism or that were made for us if we were too young, in front of the Bishop. The Bishop then prays a prayer for the Holy Spirit to be present in those people, a bit like what happens when new clergy are ordained.

As we welcome this new season of Spring, these are good things to be reflecting on as we grow together.

With every blessing,
Grahame

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

TUESDAY	Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am - 5pm RSL Life Communion 10am
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

7th September Thirteenth 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

14th September Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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11am	St Columba Ewingsdale
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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.

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission The Bush Aid Church
Regional officer QLD/NSW The Rev'd Mike Uptin

Diocese of Grafton Senior Leadership Team

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

The Diocese of Bathurst

Bishop Mark Calder & Susan, Clergy and Laity

The Parish of Casino

The Rev'd Canon Sally Miller & Ron, The Rev'd Ron Miller & Sally, The Rev'd Thea Archinal

LLM: Robyn, Susan, Stephanie

Local Prayer Focus

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

Departed Up hold in pray Jack Richards and family as they mourn the passing of Hilda.

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
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Services

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Readings

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Jeremiah 18:1-11, Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18, Philemon 1-25, Luke 14:25-35

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Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28, Psalm 14, 1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-19a, Luke 15:1-10

Parish News

Parish Council Points from August meeting

- 'Starlink' emergency communication system to be installed in St Martin's hall.
- Mullumbimby, side room. Byron Shire Council has emailed protocols around its access and use.
- The hall rental policy is under review.

September BCA month

September is BCA month. It is time again to bring in your BCA boxes. They can be left at any of our centres. Thank you for your generosity.

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 border 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 meet every Thursday during school terms for Arts and Crafts from 10am-12noon. Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee and a chat, with craft included. We are making floor mats out of old doonas and sheets, it is an old skill and a great way to reuse materials. We are also learning an interesting new skill...If you want to know more please come along.

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

We give thanks for the 175th anniversary of the Anglican Board of Mission – truly an 'Always Blessed Mission.' Twenty-three years ago, as a priest pioneering the Jeju Church, I received vital support from ABM for three years. That partnership greatly strengthened our ministry. Today, as Bishop of Busan, I honour the legacy of the late Revd David Cobbett, ABM missionary and founder of Dongnae Church in 1964. His faithful witness continues to inspire our diocese. We join in the prayer of Luke 17:5, 'Increase our faith!' Onesimus Dongshin Park Bishop of Busan Primate of the Anglican Church of Korea

Mission of the Month of September: Australian Board of Missions:

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. Anglicans in Development is wholly-owned by ABM, and operates ABM's Sustainable Communities program, working with church partners to deliver grassroots, community-driven development, and disaster preparedness and response. They want to see people everywhere experience the wholeness of life God offers in Jesus Christ, and to this end we support our partners as they participate in God's mission.