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Acknowledgement of Country

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

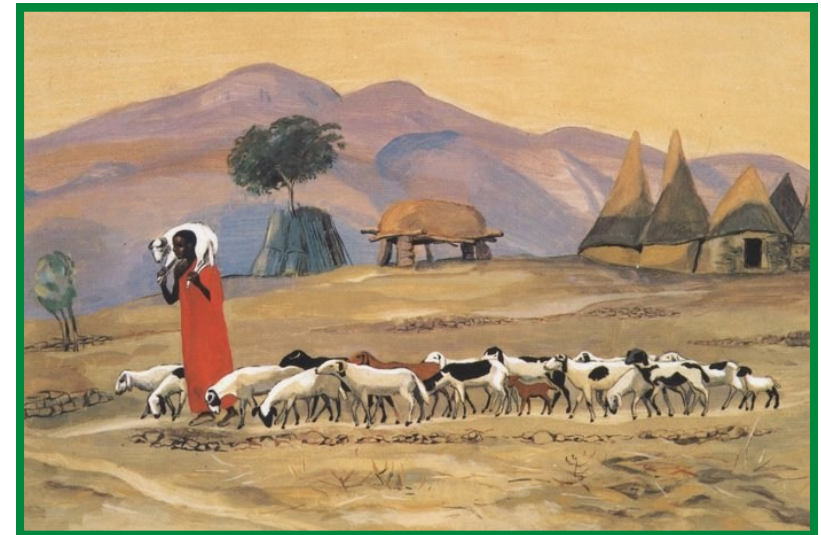
*We pay tribute and respect to the elders both past and
present.*



Byron Anglicans
We are one

26th April 2026

All are welcome



The good shepherd
JESUS MAFA

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

From Grahame

This week in worship we continue to reflect on the new post-resurrection community through Acts chapter 2. We hear again how the community responded to the teachings of the apostles by spending time with each other, sharing meals together and by praying. Yes please, I'll have some of that. After the terrible realisation of what they had been a part of, those gathered for the celebration of the Jewish Pentecost seek a way forward. God answered their prayers and they responded with devotion.

They were devoted, meaning they intentionally pursued opportunities to meet together; they intentionally pursued opportunities to break bread together; they intentionally pursued opportunities to pray together, and God's response to their faithfulness filled them with awe. There is an old saying that the harder you work the luckier you seem to be. Well I don't believe in luck, but I do notice the more we trust in God and the more we listen to God, following in the way of Jesus by the power of God's Spirit, the better off we seem to be. This does not mean we will not face challenges. It does mean instead of being overcome by those challenges, we will overcome them. There is no secret formula in finding this support from God. God is not hiding from us. God pursues us, pestering us with goodness and kindness.

In our self-centredness we are tempted to say we do it alone; we take as our own the praise we know belongs to another. This can lead to guilt which places obstacles between ourselves and God. These obstacles are not placed by God, they are not hurdles God places in our path. We do it to ourselves. We shut ourselves off from God and then ask where is God? We accuse God of being silent when it is we who refuse to hear God calling to us. We are encouraged by those who have gone before us to respond by devoting ourselves to the apostle's teaching by gathering, sharing, experiencing life in community, and then to be prepared to be in awe of the result.

Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

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| TUESDAY | Parish Office Mullumbimby |
| WEDNESDAY | Byron Bay Office |
| THURSDAY | Parish Office Mullumbimby More than a cuppa 10am-12noon St Pauls Byron Bay Spirituality Space 4-6pm St Martins Mullumbimby |
| FRIDAY | Parish Office Mullumbimby Byron Bay Office |
| SUNDAY | 7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads 9am All Souls Bangalow 9am St Martins Mullumbimby 9am St Pauls Byron Bay 5pm Sunday Hive Family Worship All Souls Hall |

Op Shop Opening Hours

The Mullumbimby Op Shop

Monday—Friday 9.30am– 3.30pm

Bangalow Op Shop

Monday - Friday 10am-2pm

Saturday - 9.30am-12.30pm

Byron Op Shop

Monday—Friday 9am—1pm

Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

Anglican Parish of Byron

BSB: 705 077 Account: 00041263

Prayer Focus This Week:

Mission The Buttery (Addiction and Mental Health rehabilitation centre)
Chair: Jenna Bateman

Diocese of Grafton

Senior Leadership Team

Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey

Assistant Bishop Tiffany Sparks

THE DIOCESE OF NORTHERN TERRITORY

Bishop Greg Anderson & Annette, Clergy and Laity

The Parish of South Grafton

The Rev'd Aaron Coates, The Rev'd Jenny Parker & Ian

Local Prayer Focus

Mark, Lyn, Kerrie, Leonine, Murray, June, John, Sophie, Anna, Charmaine, Lee, Carol, Neil, Brett, Janie, Marjory, Lin, Hilary and Paul, Rachael, Margaret.

The Community Centres and their work with the homeless.
The Liberation Larder, The Mullumbimby & District Neighbourhood Centre, The Fletcher Street Cottage, Ministry of Byron Bay & Mullumbimby Christian Education.

Dear Lord please help us to live as you intended
creating, loving, learning and blessing,
walking with us as we go.

Amen

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



By the time we gather on Sunday I will have had the opportunity to pray at two services of remembrance for ANZAC Day, a day when we remember with thanksgiving those who made the supreme sacrifice for us in time of war. May we pray every day that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain as we dedicate ourselves to the cause of justice, freedom and peace, and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world.

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

Sunday Services

26th April Fourth Sunday after Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am All Souls Bangalow
9am St Martins Mullumbimby

There will be no service at St Pauls this week due to the Byron Triathlon and road closures.

5pm Sunday Hive Family Worship
All Souls Hall

3rd May Fifth Sunday after Easter

7.30am St Thomas Brunswick Heads
9am All Souls Bangalow
9am St Martins Mullumbimby
9am St Pauls Byron Bay
5pm Sunday Hive Family Worship
All Souls Hall

Readings

26th April Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47, Psalm 23, 1 Peter 2:1-10, John 10: 1-10

3rd May Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60, Psalm 31:1-5, 17-18 1 Peter 2:11-25
John 14:1-14

Parish News

Biggest Morning Tea

Again this year we will be hosting the Biggest Morning Tea at St Pauls Byron Bay on Thursday 28th May @10am. Entry \$10.00. This years theme is a Teddy Bears Picnic, bring a teddy bear, new, pre owned, well loved, or even the Dougal Bear from the cancer council. There will be prizes for the bears and a trading table.

Weekly Activities

More Than a Cuppa

We are now refreshed from our break and ready to try new things this term. Looking forward to seeing you @ 10am Thursday 23rd April.

Faithfulness in Service Training

Faithfulness in Service is necessary for all licensed clergy and laity, together with all church workers or volunteers associated with any Anglican Church organisation (paid or unpaid). Certification is valid for three years.

There will be a Faithfulness in Service course in Alstonville Parish Ministry Centre on Saturday 2nd May 9am-12pm. Please contact John Noble on 0414 285 132 if you wish to attend.

Hymns of Praise

Hymns of Praise One of the presenters of Hymns of Praise Aled Jones will be sharing his story, favourite hymns etc at

Ballina RSL Club Friday 1st May 8pm
<https://ballinarsl.com.au/event/aled-jones>

Mission of the Month for April: Liberation Larder

Liberation Larder's services are essential for our clients. Fighting food insecurity with volunteers and donated food keeps Liberation Larder one of the lowest cost services of its kind! Food insecurity, fuelled by housing insecurity and the rising cost of living, is a growing issue in Byron Bay.

Prayer for Anzac Day

God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy, which was won for us through the courage and devotion of those who gave their lives in time of war. We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain, but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come. That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth. This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day Fourth Sunday of Easter

God of all power,
you called from death our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep:
send us as shepherds to rescue the lost,
to heal the injured,
and to feed one another with understanding;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**