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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.*

Parish Direct Debit details for tithes.

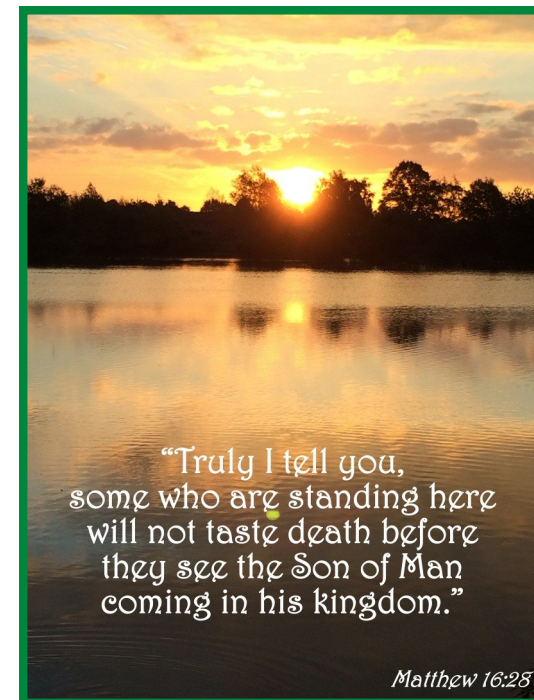
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30th August 2026

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

Jesus lived outside the box. In Matthew 16 this Sunday we hear the Apostle Peter in conversation with Jesus. Peter responds in the accepted way to news of Jesus' impending suffering. Peter is motivated to protect Jesus and for his trouble receives the title 'Satan'. I bet he didn't see that one coming. Jesus did not fit into the box that people tried to put him in. It was not possible for him to conform to the version of the rules of life that the world imposed. Jesus could not be fitted into a box. Jesus still does not fit into the neat little package that we would like to put him in. Jesus refuses to fit in.

Through Romans 12, Paul offers some guidelines for living this life outside the box. Some of these are: bless those who persecute you, do not repay anyone evil for evil – so revenge is out (vengeance belongs to God) – we need to let go of those hurts we are carrying and hand them over to God; overcome evil with good. We are called to live outside the box. When we follow Jesus there are messy bits, there are rough edges, there will be times when we just will not fit in. When others are having a sleep-in we will be gathering in praise and thanksgiving. We gather in this way out of our love of God. As I have said before it is not that we love God at the exclusion of others. The way we love God gives us the way we may love others. When Jesus says of his followers that they will need to take up their cross and follow him, each cross will be different. Even this is outside the box. The crosses we may be carrying may be hate, pride, our prejudices and our negativity. These can become very heavy. This is why we are encouraged to hand them over to the one waiting to carry them. We are not alone. We have, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, our sisters and brothers in Christ as companions on the way. Don't be afraid to be outside the box. It is what we are called to.

With every blessing, Grahame

Services & Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

30th August Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

TUESDAY

Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am-4pm

WEDNESDAY

Byron Bay Office 9am-3pm

THURSDAY

Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
More Than a Cuppa 10am-12noon
St Pauls Byron Bay
Spirituality Space 4-6pm
St Martins Mullumbimby

FRIDAY

Parish Office Mullumbimby 9am-4pm
Byron Bay Office 9am-12noon
Smarties Play Group 10.30am-12noon,
St Martins Hall

Next SUNDAY

6th September Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

MISSION

National Council of Churches
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The Rev'd Ruth Pobjoy & Stan

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Stan Pobjoy, Rena Thorley

Local Prayer Focus

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

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

Mission of the Month of August: Fletcher Street Cottage:

Fletcher Street Cottage is a welcoming, safe and respectful space where people who are doing it tough can come to enjoy practical relief opportunities, find meaningful connections and access broader support to get back onto their feet.

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

Readings

30th August Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 3:1-15, Psalm 105:1-6,23-26, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28

6th September Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 12:1-14, Psalm 149, Romans 13:1-10, Matthew 18:10-20

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

Annual Cathedral Quiet Day

Saturday 5 September 2026, 10:00am to 3:00pm at Grafton Cathedral.

This year's theme, "**Being Petrified: Hope in barren & parched lands,**" will be led by Rev'd Katherine Bowyer and offers an opportunity to be refreshed through Scripture, silence, music and prayer.

Bookings are essential. Please reserve your place here:

<https://events.humanitix.com/cathedral-quiet-day-2026>

Sentence

If you want to become a disciple of Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross and follow him.
Matthew 16.24–25

Prayer of the day

O God,
whose Son has shown the way of the cross
to be the way of life:
transform and renew our minds
that we may not be conformed to this world
but may offer ourselves wholly to you as a living
sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Saviour;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hope 26 Concert Hope for tomorrow

On Sunday 23rd August our Hope 26 Concert shone a light on Fletcher Street Cottage and the work that they do. We were entertained by talented local artists who sang, danced and played. Many of the artists were Fletcher Street clients and some offered moving testimonials which offered an insight into their journeys. The concert was enjoyed so much some of the audience got up and danced with joy. It was pleasure to help Fletcher Street Cottage and those who have been supported by them.

