Byron Anglicans
We are one

25th October 2026

All are welcome



Artist Unknown

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

From Grahame

Power and influence. Jesus had great power. Jesus performed miracles. Jesus raised the dead to life. Jesus can do anything. But the thing which most endures in those who follow him, his greatest impact, was and is, through his influence in the lives of those he met; people who were transformed by their encounter and passed their experience on to others in the way they lived their lives of faith. In this way countless millions have come to know the love of God in Christ Jesus. This is discipleship. In 1 Thessalonians chapter 2, Paul gives us a description of discipleship – encouraging, comforting, urging.

In our passage from Matthew chapter 22, those considered keepers of the law try to trap Jesus again. Jesus responds with a very short statement which is all about love. This is the foundation of discipleship. Yet it did not seem like love to those who found the teachings of Jesus to be a threat to their positions of power. It was and remains a love of liberation for those who receive it and are open to be guided by it. We face those same challenges today as some attempt to contain and control a love which can be neither contained nor controlled by human powers. This is the greatest miracle, all else points to this one fact – God is love.

This Sunday we will have the privilege of witnessing some of our sisters and brothers in Christ as they receive the laying on of hands by Bishop Murray, acting as God's instrument of encouragement and love. Please continue to pray for those being Confirmed as they continue their faith journey and don't be afraid to offer some encouragement, some comfort and perhaps a little urging.

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

Readings

25th October Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 90:1-6,13-17,
1 Thessalonians 2:1-13, Matthew 22:34-46

1st November All Saints Day
Revelation 7:9-17, Psalm 34:1-10,22, 1 John 3:1-3,
Matthew 5:1-12

Parish News

Bishop's Visit
This morning we warmly welcome Bishop Murray for his regular pastoral visit. This visit is particularly special as it will be the first confirmation service for our still new Parish of Byron. The combined service will be followed by morning tea. Please pray for the candidates as they prepare for their confirmation. A time to celebrate the working of the Holy Spirit in each of us.

Diocesan Ordination Service
Saturday 28 November 11.00am
Amanda Stark and John Edwards will be ordained as Deacons. Mandy and John are currently Formation Students in the Parish of Maclean The Rev'd Yoshiya Sakamoto will be ordained as a Priest. Yoshiya is currently the Parish Deacon at Port Macquarie. Please pray for them as they prepare for their ordination.

Faithfulness in Service
The last Faithfulness in Service for in the parish year will be on Saturday 14th November 10am-1pm held in St Martins Mullumbimby. Thursday 19th November 10am held in All Saints in the Church Undercroft Murwillumbah. To register please email office@allsaintsanglican.org.au.

It is a Diocesan requirement that the following people must participate in a training course:
Clergy and Licenced Lay Ministers; Members of Parish Council; Paid employees; All leaders or coordinators of parish ministries e.g MU, Op Shop; All leaders and helpers involved in family and children's

ministry, People involved in contact ministries e.g. officer volunteers, Op Shop workers, hospital and aged care visitors. Enrolments forms can be found in the Op Shops or by contacting Brenda or Sue.

Socks

Do you have a lot of odd socks lying around?



Don't throw them away as Fletcher Street Cottage are short on socks for their clients. Please take them to the cottage or bring them in for us to deliver.

Op Shop Opening Hours

Mullumbimby Op Shop

Monday - Friday 9.30am– 3.30pm

Bangalow Op Shop

Monday - Friday 10am-2pmSaturday - 9.30am-12.30pm

Byron Op Shop

Monday - Friday 9am—1pm

Prayer of the week

Almighty and everlasting God,
give to us the increase of faith, hope and love;
and, that we may obtain what you promise,
make us to love what you command;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sentence

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. Matthew 22.37–40

Prayer of the day

O God,
whose Son has taught us that love is the fulfilment of your law:
stir up within us the fire of your Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts your greatest gift of love,
so that we may love you with our whole being,
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



There is still time to go and view Jay artwork. The exhibit is still got another 5 weeks to go. Jay has already sold 2 paintings; all funds go to Fletcher Street Cottage.

Prayer Focus This Week:



MISSION

Anglican Cursillo Movement
National Lay Director: Paul Doyle
Episcopal Overseer: The Right Reverend Carol Wagner
National Spiritual Advisor: The Right Reverend Dr Lee Weissel

Diocese of Grafton

Senior Leadership Team
Bishop The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey
Assistant Bishop The Right Rev'd Tiffany Sparks

THE DIOCESE OF NORTH QUEENSLAND

Bishop Keith Joseph, Clergy and Laity

The Parish of Maclean

The Venerable Kay Hart & Alan The Rev' d Canon Judy Edwards & John, The Rev' d Lenore Parker

LLM

Cristina, John, Mark, Gwynne, Wendy, Gay.

Local Prayer Focus

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

Please pray for the students sitting their HSC Exams.

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 October:

The Buttery (Addiction and Mental Health rehabilitation centre)
Since 1973, we have specialised in caring for and supporting people with mental health issues and alcohol and other drug conditions. All Buttery programs are evidence-based and represent best practice.

Services & Weekly Happenings

Clergy & Staff can be contacted via email or phone

25th October Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

9am	St Pauls Byron Bay, Bishop's visit and Confirmation
5pm	Sunday Hive Family Worship All Souls Hall

TUESDAY Parish Office Mullumbimby Closed until 17 November

WEDNESDAY Byron Bay Office 9am-3pm

THURSDAY Parish Office Mullumbimby Closed until 17 November
More Than a Cuppa 10am-12noon
St Pauls Byron Bay
Spirituality Space 4-6pm
St Martins Mullumbimby

FRIDAY Parish Office Mullumbimby Closed until 17 November
Byron Bay Office 9am-12noon
Smarties Play Group 10.30am-12noon,
St Martins Hall Mullumbimby

Next SUNDAY

1st November All Saints Day

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

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.