



BALLINA & LENNOX HEAD ANGLICANS

An inclusive Christ-centred community, growing in our
relationship with God and the wider community

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Bundjalung nation,
and pay respects to their elders past and present.

TRINITY SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2020

Pastoral message from the Rector

Today is Trinity Sunday and it is often the one Sunday in the Church calendar when clergy make a special effort to invite guest preachers to speak about this doctrine of the Church, which can be hard to explain. I am pleased that this year Cathy has agreed to be our preacher (I did it last year after asking three other people who all said 'no'!!). I am looking forward to her sermon.

Today we are also featuring Bush Church Aid (BCA) as a special focus of our missionary outreach. The following is from the BCA website bushchurchaid.com.au: "Bush Church Aid has a heart for people living in remote and regional Australia. We are committed to going the distance to reach Australia for Christ.

People living in sparsely populated areas often don't benefit from strong support networks. Churches in these areas can struggle financially due to fluctuating populations. Ongoing fellowship can be hard to maintain and encouragement can become a rarity.

In partnership with Anglican Dioceses across the country, Bush Church Aid places committed and gifted Christians in a variety of locations to help people connect with the grace of God revealed in Jesus."

With our Mailout this week there is a short video presentation from BCA as well as information about how we can support this important ministry. I commend BCA to you for your prayers and, if you are able, your financial support.

Every blessing



Matthew

HOW DO I DONATE?

- **Online at the BCA website**
 - www.bushchurchoaid.com.au/donate (One-off donations & recurring tax deductible donations)
 - www.bushchurchoaid.com.au/distance (Distance Giving Program recurring general donations)
- **Direct Deposit**

Name: The Bush Church Aid Society of Australia

BSB: 032 008

Account: 000706

Reference: please use your supporter number

– for existing supporters this can be found on the back cover of your Real Australian magazine just above your address

- for an anonymous donation use 'AnonQ'



Birthdays: Judy Riley, Joan Pickup, Gwen Taylor, and Jann Lancaster.

News: SPECIAL COVID-19 APPEAL

To help maintain Parish ministry and the jobs of paid churchworkers through this crisis, the Diocese has opened a special appeal. Contributions to this fund will go first to maintaining paid roles of churchworkers across the Diocese, whether located in Parishes, the Registry or special ministries such as chaplaincies. Click here to find out more and learn about ways to donate: [The Anglican Diocese of Grafton COVID-19 Support Fund](#)

COVID Safe App: Matthew and Cathy encourage all parishioners with a Smart Phone to download the government's COVID Safe App. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy who is happy to help.

Ballina Christian Education Committee (BCEC) for supporting religious education in the Ballina Coast High School.

BCEC wants to bless and support Local Businesses to get back on their feet. The BCEC is hoping to create a local Ballina Shire flavoured puzzle book as an ongoing fundraiser. We are looking to promote our local area and businesses. We have some template examples to show if requested. We wish to offer businesses in the Shire the opportunity free of charge to be part of this book.

If you are interested please contact:

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PACT Prayer: -

Loving Lord, we ask you to lead us into the coming week with faithful hearts and minds. Help us to believe that you are close by us. You are the God of all compassion and comfort, and we thank you that you listen to our prayers. We pray today for our world, our nation, our city, and our church at this troubling time; especially those involved in education and training as our schools seek to continue their important work in stressful and difficult circumstances.

Would you please keep teachers and students safe, and help them to care for each other. Amen.

EAC Prayer Points:

- We give thanks for a return to on campus learning, with all our students coming back to school this week.
- We give thanks for the amazing work of our maintenance and cleaning staff as they continue to do a great deal of extra cleaning to keep our school safe.
- We pray for our teachers as they write school reports and guide students through the assessment tasks in this middle part of our school year

Financial Giving to the Parish

During this difficult time we continue to minister to our people and our community, although in different ways. Expenses still need to be met. To cover these expenses we will shortly be drawing cash from long term deposits. Our major sources of income to cover expenses are normally provided by the giving of Parishioners and the Op Shop. The Op Shop has ceased operating and giving by Parishioners has been by the various electronic transfer methods only. A small amount of cash has been received but this method is now not to be used.

You are encouraged to support the Parish through regular giving in the following ways:

Direct deposits through AfGD (Anglican funds Grafton Diocese) known as Parish

Provider: Application Form is attached. Print, complete and scan it for return as an attachment to AfGD email address: office@afgd.com.au. Alternatively, you can complete the Application Form attached, photo it with your smartphone and send the photo to AfGD email address: office@afgd.com.au.

To minimise exposure to COVID-19 please do not use the postal system to deliver the form.

Direct deposit to the Parish of Ballina Working Account: this method enables you to use your bank to electronically direct transfer funds into the following account.

Account: Parish of Ballina Working Account: *BSB:* 705-077 *Account Number:* 00040134.
Use Reference: Offering.

This system enables users to make regular weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments.

Other ways for you to support the work of the Parish are being investigated.

Many of you may be unable to use either of these methods in which case we encourage you to make a catchup donation at some time in the future when current restrictions are lifted and you can afford the outlay.

Hugh McIntosh
Parish Treasurer
3 April'20

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“COUCH CHURCH”: WORSHIPPING GOD AT HOME

7 JUNE 2020

TRINITY SUNDAY

Ctrl+ Click or Click on the [Couch Church](#) to watch the service on YouTube.

Call to Worship:

The word of the eternal Father created us.
The love of the gracious Son redeemed us.
The presence of the Holy Spirit unites and empowers us.
Come and worship the glorious Trinity,
our God of power, love and peace.

Hymn: This Day God Gives Me

This day God gives me.
strength of high heaven,
sun and moon shining,
flame in my hearth,
flashing of lightning,
wind in its swiftness,
deeps of the ocean,
firmness of earth.

This day God sends me.
strength to sustain me,
might to uphold me,
wisdom as guide.
Your eyes are watchful,
your ears are listening,
your lips are speaking,
friend at my side.

God's way is my way,
God's shield is round me,
God's host defends me,
saving from ill.
Angels from heaven,
drive from me always
all that would harm me,
stand by me still.

Rising, I thank you,
mighty and strong One,
king of creation,
giver of rest,
firmly confessing
threeness of persons,
oneness of Godhead,
trinity blest.

Gathering Prayer:

All authority in heaven has been given to you,
Son of God,
Loving Lord.

You call us, you welcome us, we gather in your name,
Son of God,
Loving Lord.

Teach us, heal us, and inspire us,
Son of God,
Loving Lord.

Amen.

Sentence:

Proclaim the Name: ‘The Lord, the Lord, a God who is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.’

Exodus 34:6

Prayer of the Day:

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given to us your servants
grace by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity,
and in the power of the divine majesty
to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
and evermore defend us from all adversities,
for you live and reign, one God, for ever and for ever. Amen.

Readings:

Exodus 34:1-8

The Lord said to Moses, “Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke. Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain. No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain.” So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone. The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, “The Lord.” The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children’s children, to the third and the fourth generation.” And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

Song of the Three Young Men

Blessed are you, the God of our forebears:

All sing: worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed is your holy and glorious name:

All sing: worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you, glorious in your holy temple:

All sing: worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you who behold the depths:

All sing: worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom:

All sing: worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

Blessed are you in the heights of heaven:

All sing: worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
 alleluia, alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam,
and silver moon with softer gleam,
 O praise him, O praise him,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Dear mother earth, who day by day,
unfold rich blessings on our way,
 O praise him, alleluia!

All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show,
 O praise him, alleluia,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And everyone of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
 O praise him, alleluia!

All who long pain and sorrow bear
praise God and on him cast your care;
 O praise him, alleluia,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
 O praise him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
 O praise him, O praise him,
 alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel Acclamation:**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

All sing: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:16-20 (NRSV)

*Sermon***Nicene Creed:**

WE BELIEVE in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions:

Praise to you, O God, Word and Spirit, your glory is beyond our knowing, yet you take delight in the human race: hear the prayers that we bring for your people.

Creator God, you formed the waters and the dry land, and your fingers set the stars and moon in the heavens: hear our prayers for the earth and its creatures. We pray for your people in the US during this time of civil unrest, may your love and peace enter into their hearts and unite your people into communities of justice and peace, so that they may live together in peace.

Father, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Wisdom and Word of God, you chose to dwell with the children of humanity: hear our prayers for your worldwide church. We pray for the church in places where it is persecuted or ignored; for

church leaders especially our Bishop, our Rector and Associate Priest, and for all who minister or serve you in this community of faith of Ballina and Lennox Head during this time of isolation due to Covid-19. We also pray for our brothers and sisters in Coffs Harbour, that they, and we, may grow in understanding of your Word, with the aid of the Internet, and proclaim your gospel.

Father, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Spirit of God, you hovered over the waters of creation, and you are with us today, bringing love and peace: hear the prayers for those whose lives are disadvantaged or neglected; for our families and our friends, for each other, and for ourselves. Unite your people in a community of love, that we may support the weak, care for the vulnerable, and welcome the outsiders in your midst.

Father, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Three-in-one God, you give life to your people, comforting us in our sorrows and sustaining us in our needs: hear our prayers for all who suffer. We pray for the grief-stricken, the broken-hearted, and all in despair due to being isolated from their loved ones; for those who are over-worked, and for those with no work; for the sick, and for all who are close to death. Unite your people in a community of compassion, that we may bring consolation to the suffering and uphold one another in times of need. Remembering those whose names appear in our parish bulletin.

We pray for those in need of healing, especially:

Ria Mars, Joy Swinbourne, Lucy van Eck, Neil Maclean, Norma Meehan, Malcolm Streher, Josh Stanley, Fran Shepherd, Bonnie Kerkenezov, Anne Marie Troutman, Margaret Leadbeater, Margaret Waller, Maureen Colburt, Lynda Garde, Sue Hurford, Rachael Hampton, Alton Rowe, Ros Rowe, Elaine Frederiksen, Karen and Ben Shaw.

Father, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Father, our beginning and our end, you reign in majesty and you crown your people with glory and honour: hear our prayers for your faithful servants. We remember Barnabas, Apostle and Martyr, and all the saints and martyrs of every age, for those of this parish who have gone before us, and all whose yearly remembrance occurs at this time. Unite your people in a community of hope, that at our life's end we may be raised to eternal life, to share with all your saints in glory.

Father, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray-

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Confession:

Lord Jesus, you send us into the world,
but we confess that our vision is narrow;
you give us clear commandments,
but we pretend not to understand them;
you promise to be with us always,
but we ignore your presence and follow our own way.
Forgive us; give us fresh vision and restore us to your way,
we pray. Amen.

*Absolution***Hymn: Lord Christ, True Peace of All Above.**

Lord Christ, true peace of all above,
sure hope of all below,
establish in your grace and love
your people as we go.

Your blessing, Lord, who bless us all,
abide with us today;
your mercy, peace, and watchful care
surround us on our way.

Your presence in our life remain
that all the world may know
how Christ may walk the world again,
in us himself to show.

Brian Anthony Moore (1931 - 97)
TIS 623

Sending Out Prayer:

May the grace of the Father be with you;
may the love of the Son enfold you;
and may the peace of the Spirit comfort you,
today and always.

Amen.

Blessing

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