



# ANGLICAN PARISH OF BALLINA

*“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.*

**SUNDAY 21 JANUARY 2024**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

God of hope, teach us, like your first disciples, to respond to your call, to repent of our old ways, proclaiming your gospel through our words and actions, trusting in your strength. Give to this Parish the vision, wisdom and willingness to hear your call to bring healing and wholeness to our community through the power of Jesus our Saviour. Amen. **Parish Prayer**

## PARISH PRAYER POINTS

**We pray for those who have asked for healing prayer:** Joy Swinbourne, Ros Rowe, Alex & Myra Arrighi, Gerri White's granddaughter, Phil and Felicity Ross, Ramin Nairyzi, Mavis McDonald, Betty Missingham, Damien Bourke, Josh Stanley, Margaret Saul, Maisie Stratton and David McCarthy.

**Birthday:** John Thornton

## Readings for this week:

**Jonah 3.1-10; Psalm 62.5-12; Mark 1.14-20**

**Reading sheets** We are no longer using reading sheets in our Sunday services. The readings are on the screen for you to follow. Some people like to follow the readings at other times in the service, e.g. during the sermon. There are several ways you could do this: (1) Bring your Bible and look up the readings; (2) print out the readings at home - you receive them in our weekly Friday email; or (3) Use your phone to open the weekly email and open up the readings attachment. The reading references are included in the bulletin each week, as above, so it's easy to look them up in your Bible.

**Men's get-together: cuppa and conversation January 24 8.30am** in St Mary's function room.

**Community BBQ Breakfast at St Mary's, 3rd Saturday of each month** Would you like to volunteer at our Saturday BBQ breakfast? Roles include: barbecue cook, tea/coffee serving, table waiting, cleaning up. Contact Rev. Cathy if you're interested.

The breakfasts will start in March with more details coming soon..

This is a new initiative of the Isaiah 61 Project.

## **Australia Day Office Closure**

The Parish Office will be closed for the Australia Day Public Holiday on Friday 26 January.

**MISSION FOR JANUARY: ANGLICARE NORTH COAST-AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOUNDATION.** There are many people in our region who have difficulty affording to pay for suitable accommodation to live in. The Foundation assists people who are disadvantaged in some way and are unable to afford to pay normal market rent. There are strict eligibility guidelines to ensure that the Foundation operates in a very fair and equitable manner.

**Annual Reports for inclusion at the AGM** must be received by the office by **Thursday 25 January**.

## THIS FORTNIGHT TOGETHER

<b>Monday - Thursday</b>	9.00am - 3.30pm	Op Shop-OPEN
<b>Friday 26/01/2024</b>	<i>Australia Day Holiday</i>	Op Shop-CLOSED
<b>Saturday</b>	9.00am - 1.00pm	Op Shop-OPEN
<b>Monday - Friday</b>	9.00am - 3.30pm	Op Shop-OPEN

<b>Sunday</b>	21 January	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
<b>Third</b>		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Sunday after Epiphany</b>			
<b>Tuesday</b>	23 January	4.15pm	BCEC Prayer Group-Ballina Baptist Church
<b>Wednesday</b>	24 January	8.30am	Men's Get-together-Function Room
		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Sunday</b>	28 January	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
<b>Fourth</b>		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Sunday after Epiphany</b>			
<b>Tuesday</b>	30 January	9.00am	Craft Group-Admin Building
<b>Wednesday</b>	31 January	10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Thursday</b>	1 February	10.30am	Coffee 'n' Chat-Gallery Café, Ballina
		2.00pm	Singing Group-St Mary's
<b>Sunday</b>	4 February	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
<b>Fifth</b>		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Sunday after Epiphany</b>			

### **PREPARATION FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Sunday 25 February 2024**

Nominations are called for the following positions:

Parish Churchwarden- two positions	Parish Council members- multiplies of 3, maximum of 9
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**Compliance Requirements: Churchwardens and Parish Council Member:** Working With Children Check (every five years), Safe Ministry Check (every three years) , Safe Ministry Training (every three years), Faithfulness in Service training (every three years)

**Nomination Forms-** back of each church or Parish Office

**Nominations to Parish Council Secretary or Parish Office by COB Thursday 15 February 2024.** No nominations can be accepted at the meeting. **Any vacant positions are filled by Parish Council.**

Incumbent	The Rev'd Cathy Ridd Days off: Monday and Friday	<b>Parish Office Administrator</b>	Cathie Guest 9.00am to 1.00pm, Mon - Fri
Assist. Curate	The Rev'd Mandy Larkin Days off: Friday and Saturday	<b>Parish Office Hours</b>	
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**EFTPOS is available for any payments in the Parish Office.**

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