



# 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 7 JANUARY 2024 THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Dear Lord, like the Wise Men, we come to adore and worship you and recognise your power for good in the world. We acknowledge the many blessings that you send and ask you to help us fulfill your promises in this broken and turbulent world. 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 and Maisie Stratton.

**Birthdays:** Edna Kane.

### Readings for this week:

**Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, Matthew 2:1-12**

**Working bee to pack up St Mary's Nativity - Tuesday 9 January 9am** We need helpers to deconstruct and pack up the life-sized nativity, and move everything to the shed and storeroom. Can you help? Turn up on the day and you will be warmly welcomed!

**Change to Rev Cathy's hours** From 1 January Rev Cathy will be working 5 days a week, not 6. Her days off will be Monday and Friday.

**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** are due to be received by the office by Thursday 25 January at the latest, sooner if at all possible. If you are responsible for preparation of a report from one of our groups, please be giving consideration to that report at this time. If you have any questions, or wonder if you are on that list, please email Cathie at [office@anglicanballina.com.au](mailto:office@anglicanballina.com.au). **Please also look for any photos that would be suitable for inclusion in for the Annual Report.**

## THIS FORTNIGHT TOGETHER

<b>Monday - Friday</b>	9.00am - 3.30pm	Op Shop-OPEN
<b>Saturday</b>	9.00am - 1.00pm	Op Shop-OPEN

<b>Sunday</b>	7 January	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
<b>Epiphany</b>		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Wednesday</b>	10 January	10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
		11.30am	Holy Communion-Palm Lake Resort
<b>Sunday</b>	14 January	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Second Sunday after Epiphany</b>			
<b>Tuesday</b>	16 January	10.00am	Holy Communion-St Andrews Village
<b>Wednesday</b>	17 January	10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Sunday</b>	21 January	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
<b>Third Sunday after Epiphany</b>			

### Christmas Closures

Craft Group will resume 30 January 2024.

Coffee 'n' Chat resumes 1 February 2024.

Coffee & Conversation will resume 22 February 2024

### 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.**

Being COVID Safe: Another wave of COVID has arrived in our region. To protect our most vulnerable people, our welcomers and hospitality teams will continue to wear masks. The clergy will also wear masks during communion.

Incumbent	The Rev'd Cathy Ridd Days off: Monday and Friday	<b>Parish Office Administrator</b>	Cathie Guest <b>Parish Office Hours</b> 9.00am to 1.00pm, Mon - Fri
Assist. Curate	The Rev'd Mandy Larkin Days off: Friday and Saturday	<b>Rev Cathy Ridd Email</b>	<a href="mailto:revridd@gmail.com">revridd@gmail.com</a>
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**Bank Account: BSB 705077 / Account 00040134**

**EFTPOS is available for any payments in the Parish Office.**

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