



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 11 FEBRUARY 2024

TRANSFIGURATION

Dear God the creator of all that is good and beautiful in this universe, your perfection shines before and all around us. Thank you for your mighty and never ending grace that flows upon your faithful ones. Grant us the courage to let your light shine through us according to your will. May we hear your voice ever more clearly and get to know you more and more each and every day. And may that knowledge of you, your Son and Spirit determine our wills and our hearts to follow your way this day and always. 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.

Birthdays: Margaret Davis, Rhonda McCaughey

Readings for this week:

Ps 50:1-6; 2 Cor. 4:3-12; Mark 9:2-9

Readings for next week:

Gen. 9:8-17; Ps 25:1-10; Mark 1:9-15

Bring in your old palm crosses - Ash Wednesday is 14 February. Please bring in your old palm crosses and leave them in the box at each centre. We will burn the old palm crosses to make ashes for use on Ash Wednesday.

Marking Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) in a different way It is customary in many cultures to feast on Shrove Tuesday before the Lenten fast begins. In our Anglican tradition this is how it came to be known as Pancake Day. But Shrove Tuesday is not only about feasting. It is also the day when Christians traditionally prepare for Lent by making their confession. That's where the name 'Shrove Tuesday' comes from: to shrive yourself is to make your confession to a priest. This year you're invited to mark Shrove Tuesday with both pancakes and confession:

Pancake morning tea at Ballina McDonalds - 10.30 am Tuesday 13 February: add your name to the sign-up sheet to give us an idea of numbers.

Individual confession: Tuesday 13 February. St John the Baptist - 8 - 10:15am; St Mary's - 12 - 5:15pm. Book yourself into an available time slot on the sign-up sheet, or turn up on the day and check which slots are still open.

Ash Wednesday 'Imposition of ashes' - 14 February, 10am, St Mary's; 11.30am Palm Lake Resort. Lent is a time to reflect deeply on the ways that we don't live and behave as God wants us to, and to ask God's help to change. Begin your Lent with the imposition of ashes: an outward sign of your commitment to change, with God's help.

Lenten Daily Reflections: Get your copy of our Lenten daily reflections, to help your daily prayer as you travel the path toward Easter.

MISSION FOR FEBRUARY: Bible Society Projects in Australia include: Indigenous Audio Bibles, Bible for Bubs, Bibles for Schools, Bibles for ADF. Projects in PNG include: Bibles and Maternal Health Care, Rebuilding Bible Society; Cambodia: Literacy by Listening; South Africa: Hope for Prisoners.

Prayer Points for Emmanuel Anglican College: We give thanks for - the appointment of Chaplain, the Reverend Richard Browning; the Reverend Greg Ezzy for his willingness to continue as Chaplain to staff; a very successful start to 2024. We pray for - EAC community - staff, students and their families as they commence another year; new students, especially Kindergarten, Year 5 and Year 7 that they will feel supported and quickly become part of this vibrant learning community; New staff joining the College team, fostering and supporting the Christian ethos of the College.

THIS FORTNIGHT TOGETHER

Monday - Friday		9.00am - 3.30pm	Op Shop-OPEN
Saturday		9.00am - 1.00pm	Op Shop-OPEN
Sunday	11 February	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
Transfiguration		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
		3.00pm	Syrinx & Cello Concert-St Mary's
Tuesday	13 February	8.00am	Private Confession-St John the Baptist
Shrove		9.00am	Craft Group-Admin Building
Tuesday		10.30am	Pancake Morning Tea-McDonalds
		12.00pm	Private Confession-St Mary's
Wednesday	14 February	10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
Ash Wednesday		11.30am	Holy Communion-Palm Lake Resort
Thursday	15 February	10.30am	Coffee 'n' Chat-Gallery Café, Ballina
		2.00pm	Singing Group-St Mary's
Sunday	18 February	8.00am	Holy Communion-St John the Baptist
First Sunday in Lent		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
Tuesday	20 February	9.00am	Craft Group-Admin Building
		10.00am	Holy Communion-St Andrews Village
Wednesday	21 February	10.00am	Holy Communion-St Mary's
Thursday	22 February	10.00am	Coffee & Conversation-Neon Mango, Epiq Marketplace, Lennox Head
		10.30am	Coffee 'n' Chat-Gallery Café, Ballina
		2.00pm	Singing Group-St Mary's
Saturday	24 February	12.00pm	Sleepbus Open Day-St Mary's
Sunday	25 February	10.00am	Combined Service Holy Communion-St Mary's
Second Sunday in Lent		11.15am	Annual General Meeting-St Mary's
		3.00pm	Terzetta Concert-St Mary's

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
------------------------------------	---

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	Parish Office Administrator Cathie Guest Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 1.00pm, Mon - Fri
Assist. Curate	The Rev'd Mandy Larkin Days off: Friday and Saturday	Rev Cathy Ridd Email revridd@gmail.com Rev Cathy Ridd Mobile 0427 836 988
Parish Phone	6686 2094	Rev Mandy Larkin Email mandylarkin08@gmail.com Rev Mandy Mobile: 0460 872 944
Email	office@anglicanballina.com.au	
Op Shop Phone:	6686 0868	

Bank Account: BSB 705077 / Account 00040134

EFTPOS is available for any payments in the Parish Office.

The Anglican Parish of Ballina in the Diocese of Grafton is committed to protecting your privacy.