Welcome to church!

Welcome to Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

9 MARCH 2025

If you're new we'd love to connect with you and hear more of your story. Fill in a follow-up card or talk to one of the priests.

PRAYER AND CARE

Prayer for Hope

God of Hope, you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world; by your Spirit awaken in us a true vision of your kingdom, a greater certainty of our salvation, and a deeper dedication to your service; that through our words and actions the same Spirit may bring many who are lost to be found, and for them to celebrate the hope that we can only have in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Pray for those in need of healing

Joy Swinbourne, Ros Rowe, Phil and Felicity Ross, Mavis McDonald, Maisie Stratton, Yvette Paish, Janice Peate, Cate Bible, Alison Lee, Bonnie and Jeanette Peard.

Schools Prayer:

We give thanks for all our emergency and support services who have managed the preparation and recovery to allow schools to open as soon as possible following the cyclone and flooding event. We pray for the students, their families and staff for a smooth return to learning especially for their wellbeing and those impacted by memories of the 2022 flood event.

FEATURED NEWS

LENT BIBLE STUDY

Join our Hope25 Lent study at Lennox Head each Sunday from 4 - 5.30 pm, or Ballina each Tuesday from 2 - 3.30 pm.

Bring your Hope25 study book, Bible and a pen.

HOPE AT THE OP SHOP

<u>Hope25</u> will run from Easter Day to Pentecost Sunday. In this time Anglican churches around Australia are encouraged to connect with their communities, and to share hope in Jesus.

We will do this through meaningful conversations with people in our community. And what better place to meet people than at our Op Shop! Throughout the Season of Hope we will be in front of the Op Shop talking (maybe even praying) with passers-by.

Would you like to be part of this? You can be rostered on as little or as often as you wish. There will always be at least 2 people present,

including one of the clergy, and there will be practice/training to prepare for this ministry.

Hope at the Op Shop: 1- 3 pm each Tuesday and Thursday, from 29 April to 5 June

Contact Rev. Cathy

God calls us to...

Worship and pray *creatively* encountering God in old ways and new
Think and learn *eagerly* discovering more about God and faith
Serve and care *generously* sharing God's love and justice in our community
Accept and include *compassionately* because God's table has a place for everyone

BALLINA: St Mary's, 38 Norton Street LENNOX HEAD: St John the Baptist: corner Byron & Fern Streets

READINGS for this week

Lent 2 Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 13:31-35

READINGS for next week Lent 3

Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-9; Luke 13:1-9

OP SHOP AND ISAIAH 61 PROJECT NEWS

Op Shop open Mon-Fri 9.00 - 3.30; Sat 9.00 - 1.00

Free Community BBQ Breakfast

8-10 am at St Mary's every third Saturday Come for a delicious breakfast and friendly conversation. All are welcome.

God calls us to bring good news to the poor and the oppressed. (Is. 61:1)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Commissioning of Parish Councillors

16 March 8am Lennox Head 16 March 10am Ballina

Invitation to a High Tea for all **Volunteers**

Saturday 22 March from 10 am, St Mary's

This is for everyone who has given their time, gifts and talents in the service of God in this parish, whether now or in the past. Join us for a delicious high tea as we say thank you. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the foyer, to help us with catering.

Orava String Quartet Concert

3pm Sunday 23 March St Mary's. This is a world class presentation and is being co-hosted by Byron Music Society.

March Men's Group

Please join us for a chat 8am Wednesday 26 March at St John the Baptist, Lennox Head. RSVP to john.bryen@gmail.com

Coffee & Conversation

10am 27 March Goanna Café, Lennox Head

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday 16 March 8am Lennox Head 10am Ballina

Tuesday 18 March 10am St Andrews Village 5.15pm Evening Prayer Ballina or by Zoom

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3499296241 ?pwd=9ol76lJiQtu56mYaZDblpBuiVBxt LA.1#success

> Wednesday 19 March 10am Ballina

Sunday 23 March 8am Lennox Head 10am Ballina

Tuesday 25 March 5.15pm Evening Prayer Ballina or by Zoom

Wednesday 26 March 10am Ballina 11.30 Palm Lake Resort 1pm Youth Service (EAC Primary) Ballina

Thursday 27 March 10.30am St Andrews Chapel 2pm RSL Lifecare

ON EVERY WEEK

Mondays 9.30 am except Public Holidays **Craft Group** Thursdays 10.30 am Coffee 'n' Chat - Ballina Thursdays 2pm

St Mary's Singing Group 2 pm Function Room

CONTACT US

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In Person

Gifts can be placed in offertory box during services

Birthday:

Richard Brown

MISSION OF THE MONTH:

MISSION FOR MARCH: Anglican Lent Appeal 2025. ABM AID's Lent Appeal 2025 features our partners and the women they empower through education, livelihoods, and community leadership in Zambia, Papua New Guinea, Kenya, Vanuatu, and the Philippines. Together, we help them transform lives and challenge injustice.