

# Welcome to church!

Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

27 APRIL 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

### Parish Prayer

Jesus, our risen Lord, through your great sacrifice we have confidence in your unconditional love for us, which sets us free from all our sins. As you forgive us, Lord, help us to do as you call us to do and forgive those who do us wrong. We praise you, knowing that we are never alone and with you by our side we are empowered to show your love to all, from the greatest to the least, giving hope to all who seek the peace that only you can give. We pray in Jesus' name, 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, Jeanette Peard, Joyce Dooley and Rev. Russell Tricker.

### Schools Prayer

As schools resume for Term 2 we pray for all places of learning and all who support our children and young people in their journey of discovery. May they also be places that encourage reflection on what it means to be an active participant in the world of the twenty first century, seeking meaning for life now and in the future in God's world. Amen.

## FEATURED NEWS



### **CONVERSATION STATION: How's Your Day Going?**

From now until Pentecost we will be running our 'Conversation Station' in front of the Op Shop, talking with passers-by. We want to hear their stories, offering them a compassionate listening ear, and discerning how God calls us to bring hope to our community.

Please hold this ministry in prayer, asking God to fill each volunteer with wisdom and discernment as they connect with our community.

You're very welcome to call by and have a chat too!

1- 3 pm each Tuesday and Thursday,  
from 29 April to 5 June

### **Syrinx Vocal Ensemble**

3pm Sunday 4 May St Mary's  
present La Damoiselle Elue

\$25/\$20 Concession, tickets at the door  
or from

<https://themusicestuary.org/program/syrinx/>

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

## READINGS for this week

*Easter 2*

Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

## READINGS for next week

*Domestic Violence Sunday*

Isaiah 61:1-4; Psalm 34:17-20; 2 Corinthians 1:3-7;

Luke 4: 14-21

### 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)*

### CONTACT US

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### GIVING OPTIONS

#### By Direct Debit or online

BSB: 705077 Acc:

00040134

#### In Person

Gifts can be placed in  
offertory box during services

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### BCEC Prayer Group

4.15pm Tuesday 29 April

Ballina Baptist Church

#### Death Café

10am Saturday 3 May

Function Room

You're invited to join a  
conversation – or just listen –  
about death and dying.

#### A Labyrinth Walk for Peace

is being held at St Mary's  
Labyrinth 1pm Saturday 3 May.  
Please see flyer in the foyer. For  
more information please contact  
Kerry Johnston 0407257129

#### Sunday 4 May

Together with Anglican Parishes  
around Australia, our service on  
Sunday 4 May will raise  
awareness of domestic violence,  
and its impact on people in our  
churches. If you have been  
affected by domestic violence,  
please do whatever is needed for  
you to feel safe. You may wish to  
speak with Rev. Cathy or Rev.  
Mandy for confidential pastoral  
conversation and prayer.

*Rev Cathy is on leave from 25  
April, returning 29 April.*

### WORSHIP TIMES

*Sunday 27 April*

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

*Tuesday 29 April*

5.15pm Evening Prayer Ballina  
or by Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3499296241?pwd=9ol76lJiQtu56mYaZDbIpBuiVBxtLA.1#success>

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*Wednesday 30 April*

10am Ballina

*Sunday 3 May*

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

*Tuesday 29 April*

5.15pm Evening Prayer Ballina  
or by Zoom

### 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  
Function Room

### SEEKING A LAY PERSON TO LEAD WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer occurs in March each year, and is hosted on a rotating cycle by a few churches in Ballina. World Day of Prayer is a ministry led by lay people, not clergy.

Two years ago we could not find a lay person who was available to lead the event either as a one-off or on an ongoing basis. Parish Council made the difficult decision that without a lay leader, we could no longer be a host church.

Time has moved on and your situation may have changed. So we are asking again: *do you feel called to lead this event every 3 years?* This includes planning, advertising, arranging catering, recruiting other lay people from the Parish and from other churches to be part of the liturgy, and leading the event on the day. If God is calling you to this role, please contact Rev. Cathy.