Welcome to church!

Welcome to Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

21 SEPTEMBER 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

Dear Lord, thank you for the many privileges we enjoy: our financial wellbeing, our health care, our family, our environment and government. Grant us the courage to change our lives, that we may grow in numbers and closer to you each day. We pray that in every waking moment we will look for your face in those so much less fortunate than we are! Grant us generosity, that we may happily share them with those in need, sickness or adversity. Your mercy, dear God, is never ending, so we give you thanks and praise. Amen.

Pray for those in need of healing

Joy Swinbourne, Ros Rowe, Felicity Ross, Mavis McDonald, Maisie Stratton, Janice Peate, Cate Bible, Alison Lee, Bonnie, Joyce Dooley, Rev. Russell Trickey, John & Beverley Grant, Jacob & Ali and Ayla Mae, Alex & Myra Arrighi, Janice Bruem, Joan Swinbourne and Merle McCully.

Schools Prayer

This week we pray for our Year 12 students as they finish their final week of schooling. We pray that the celebrations will be a time to reflect and give thanks for all who have contributed to their education. We continue to pray for their preparation for the HSC. We especially pray for Emmanuel Anglican College Year 12, for their Retreat at St Mary's followed by the Valedictory Service in St Mary's Church at 6.30pm on Tuesday 23 September and then the Graduation Celebration on Thursday 25 September in the Lindsay Walker Centre at 11am. May both occasions be a time to acknowledge the journey with members of the College community, their families and wider community.

FEATURED NEWS

HOPE THROUGH MUSIC

Everyone has their special song or piece of music that touches, uplifts, inspires and perhaps consoles them. Many songs and symphonies have been written inspired by Hope or to express Hope in times of uncertainty. Where words can no longer reach, music often can speak and touch through its rhythms, melodies and harmonies to move and reconnect.

In this workshop we listen, reflect on and sing music that has been inspired or carries the theme of Hope. We hear about the stories behind this music and explore to connect with the deeper layers in each work.

This workshop is open for anyone who likes to listen to music and sing. No musical background or skills are required to attend.

Saturday, 4,11, 25 October 3.00-4.30pm

SONGS FROM THE HEART

Fundraising Concert for Northern Rivers for Refugees Saturday 27 September, 3 pm at St Mary's

This concert is part of our Isaiah 61 Project, in partnership with Northern Rivers for Refugees.

Featuring a variety of local musicians including our own Threshold Singers, with headline act 'Monkey & The Fish'.

Tickets available at the door: \$25/\$20 concession including afternoon tea.

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

Pentecost 15 Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113; Luke 16:1-13

READINGS *for next week*

Pentecost 16
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:1-13

OP SHOP AND ISAIAH 61 PROJECT NEWS

Op Shop open Mon-Fri 9.00 - 3.30; Sat 9.00 - 12.30

Free Community BBQ Breakfast
8-10 am at St Mary's 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays,

Next one is 27 September.

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

Coffee & Conversation

Thursday 25 September 10am The Point Café, Lennox Head

Grand Piano Concert

Sunday 28 September 3pm St Mary's.

Ayesha Gough plays 'Dante's Purgatory'.

Tickets available from www.themusicestuary.org or at the door

Hope Through Music

Saturdays 4, 11, 25 October 3-4.30pm

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Caring For Creation

To mark the Season of Creation our Parish is running a special recycling project called BRAD (Banish, Recycle, and Divert), in partnership with a Sydney-based company. BRAD allows us to recycle many items which usually end up in landfill.

You can be part of this - it's simple! Just collect the items at home, and drop them in the BRAD box in the church foyer. We will box them up and send them to BRAD.

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday 21 September 8am Lennox Head 10am Ballina

Wednesday 24 September 10am Ballina 11.30am Palm Lake Resort

Thursday 25 September 10.30am St Andrews Hostel 2pm RSL Lifecare

Sunday 28 September 8am Lennox Head 10am Ballina

Tuesday 30 September
5.15pm Evening Prayer Ballina
or by Zoom
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Wednesday 1 October 10am Ballina

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

CONTACT US

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In Person

Gifts can be placed in offertory box during services

<u>Mission of the Month – Ballina Christian Education Committee - BCEC</u>

BCEC fund raising supports Christian Education classes in our state primary schools through provision of lesson teaching materials and a part-time co-ordinator as well as funding a chaplain at Ballina Coast High School. Your generous support will enable this important outreach ministry to the young people in our community. Donations can be made through the mission side of your weekly envelope, placing your donation in an envelope marked BCEC or direct deposit to our bank account- Ballina Anglican Parish BSB 705 077 Account number- 00040134. Reference- BCEC.