

Welcome to church!

Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

23 NOVEMBER 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

God of peace and grace, help us to find times to be still, to listen to your voice even when things change around us, you assure us you will be present and be our refuge and our strength. We give you thanks and praise that you sent your Son to be our King. May we behold your wonderful works and like Jesus on the cross, be a people of forgiveness and reconciliation in our relationships. 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, Merle McCully and Cedric Stedman.

Schools Prayer

Give thanks for successful Year 12 graduation activities. Pray for these young adults as they wait for HSC results, celebrate safely the end of their schooling and plan the next phase of their life journey. Also focus our prayers on Year 11 as they commence their time as leaders in their schools.

FEATURED NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENT: REV. MANDY

Last Sunday I announced in both our services that the Bishop has appointed Rev. Mandy to be the priest in charge of the Parish of Murwillumbah. She will be starting there in mid-January. Her last day in this Parish will be Christmas Day. Please hold Mandy in your prayers as she responds to God's call, and prepares to move to a new Parish and new responsibilities.

I do have some good news: Rev. Mark Sibby will be coming here as locum for six months, starting immediately after my retirement date on 22 February 2026. Many of you already know Mark and his wife Sarah. He will take great care of the parish while he is here.

Rev. Cathy

FAREWELL REVEREND MANDY LARKIN- Sunday 21 December 2025

A Farewell Morning Tea will be held for Reverend Mandy following the 10am service on Sunday 21 December in the Function Room.

Parish Gift: To acknowledge Reverend Mandy's 3 years and her contribution to the life of the Parish a gift will be presented at the Morning Tea. If you would like to contribute to the gift place your donation in an envelope marked 'Gift Reverend Mandy' and put in the offertory boxes OR hand in at the Parish Office. We can also accept online donations that are clearly marked as "Gift Rev Mandy".

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

Christ the King
Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46;
Luke 23:33-43

READINGS for next week

Advent 1
Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122;
Matthew 24:36-44

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 13 December.

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)

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*Rev Mandy is on leave and
will return 24 November*

GIVING OPTIONS

By Direct Debit or online

BSB: 705077 Acc:
00040134

In Person

Gifts can be placed in
offertory box during services

Birthdays:

Duncan Moyle

Anniversary:

Alex & Myra Arrighi

SPECIAL EVENTS

Taizé

12pm Monday 24 November

St Francis Xavier Church,

47 Cherry Street, Ballina.

This is the final Taizé for 2025.

BCEC Prayer Group

4.15pm Tuesday 25 November

Ballina Baptist Church

Coffee & Conversation

10am Thursday 27 November

at the Point Café Lennox Head

Advent dates for your diary

Advent musical reflections -

Tuesdays 2, 9, 16 and 23

December,

5-5.30 pm at St Mary's

Vox Caldera 'Gloria' concert -

Sunday 14 December,

3 pm at St Mary's

Nine Lessons and Carols -

Wednesday 17 December,

6 pm at St Mary's

Coffee & Conversation last
meeting is 27 November

St Mary's Singers last practice
is 11 December

Craft Group last meeting for
2025 is 15 December

Coffee 'n' Chat last meeting is
18 December

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday 23 November

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Tuesday 25 November

5.15pm Evening Prayer

Ballina or by Zoom

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Wednesday 26 November

10am Ballina

11.30am Palm Lake Resort

Thursday 27 November

10.30am St Andrews Chapel

2pm RSL Lifecare

Sunday 30 November

10am Combined Service

Ballina

Wednesday 3 December

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

Mission of the Month – Angel Tree A Prison Fellowship Ministry

Angel Tree A Prison Fellowship Ministry provides people with the opportunity to buy Christmas gifts for children whose parent is in prison. Your donations will allow the agency to provide the gifts and deliver them to the relevant families in time for Christmas. The donations cover not only the cost of a gift but in many families the cost of postage.