

# Welcome to church!

Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

19 APRIL 2026

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 our locum priest.

## PRAYER AND CARE

### Parish Prayer

Loving God, thank you for being such a loving Father. Thank you for always being there when we need you. Thank you for your compassion when things go topsy turvy and life is difficult and full of tears and anger. Help us to always remember that we are your precious children. Give us courage and energy to be the people you need us to be, sharing the joy of serving you. Bring healing to the world where there is war, poverty, and hatred and may the spirit of peace move amongst your people. Amen.

### Pray for those in need of healing

Joy Swinbourne, Ros Rowe, Felicity Ross, Janice Peate, Cate Bible, Alison Lee, Joyce Dooley, Rev. Russell Trickey, Beverley Grant, Alex & Myra Arrighi, Janice Bruem, Joan Swinbourne, Merle McCully and Cedric Stedman.

### POSITION OF ASSISTANT TREASURER- Parish of Ballina

The Parish Treasurer has responsibility for the overall management of Parish finances. The Office Administrator Cathie Guest is employed 5 days a week as Bookkeeper, managing the day to day finances using Xero software package. The Treasurer has overall responsibility and oversight, providing direction in consultation with Parish Council. Parish Council is seeking a person to work with the Treasurer, John Bryen, in a mentoring role with the view to taking on the Treasurer's position in 2027. John has indicated he will not be continuing in 2027. For further information and details contact John Bryen- 0417678564.

## FEATURED NEWS

### HELPERS NEEDED

Some more volunteers are needed especially to assist with morning teas on the second Sunday of the month. If you can help please contact Cathie at the office. The second Sunday for May is Mothers Day so it would be nice to have a morning tea that day.

### **BRAD COLLECTION- DECISION TO NO LONGER CONTINUE THIS PROJECT**

Due to difficulties in transporting the items to Banish in Sydney, Parish Council decided not to continue this project.

- Webster/Blister packs can be taken to Blooms Pharmacy at Ballina Fair.
- Please avoid using takeaway coffee cups by using your own mug.

**Note:** takeaway coffee cups are among the top 10 littered items on the NSW coast. Nearly 2 billion coffee cups are landfilled in Australia every year. Some logs from deforestation of native forests in NSW and Tasmania are sent to China and come back as single use coffee cups that we then landfill in Queensland! Save the trees for our native animals who need them. Thank you for the positive response to BRAD in this care for the environment project.

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 3

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 8,  
Luke 24:13-35

## READINGS for next week

Easter 4

Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23, 1 Peter 2:1-10;  
John 10:1-10

### OP SHOP AND ISAIAH 61 PROJECT NEWS

Op Shop open Tues-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 25 April.**

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

#### Locum

The Rev'd Mark Sibly  
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or via office email

*Workdays: Sunday, Tuesday  
and Wednesday*

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#### Facebook

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Anglicans

#### Parish YouTube Channel:

Ballina Lennox Head  
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### GIVING OPTIONS

#### By Direct Debit or online

BSB: 705077 Acc:  
00040134

Ballina Anglican Parish

#### In Person

Gifts can be placed in  
offertory box during services

#### Prayer at the time of choosing an incumbent.

Bountiful God, give to this  
parish a faithful pastor who will  
faithfully speak your word and  
minister your sacraments; an  
encourager who will equip  
your people for ministry and  
enable us to fulfil our calling.  
Give to those who will choose,  
wisdom, discernment and  
patience, and to us give warm  
and generous hearts, for  
Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Ensemble Trivium Concert

3pm Sunday 26 April

'Trilogy' – elegance,  
effervescence and passion, an  
afternoon of richly contrasted  
chamber music, showcasing the  
beauty and expressive  
possibilities of the combination  
flute, violin and viola.

#### BCEC are holding their first Street Stall

for the year on Saturday May 2nd  
in River Street near the pedestrian  
crossing from 7.30 am to 1pm.  
Please consider donating goods  
especially cooking and other items  
to our Stall to support the SRE  
(Scripture) in our local BCHS.  
Please ensure any cooking has  
the ingredients on the label  
We are very grateful for all your  
support as always.

**The World Labyrinth Walk for  
Peace** is being held at St Mary's  
on Saturday 2 May 2026. We walk  
as One at 1pm.

There will be an indoor labyrinth,  
handheld labyrinths as well as the  
outdoor one. The Threshold  
Singers will accompany the walk.

For more information please  
contact Kerry Johnston.

#### THANK YOU FOR WEARING YOUR NAME BADGE

If you don't have a badge or can't  
find it, fill in a form requesting a  
new one at no cost. The forms are  
in the foyer at each church.

### WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday 19 April

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Tuesday 21 April

10am St Andrews Village

Wednesday 22 April

10am Ballina

11.30am Palm Lake Resort

Thursday 23 April

10.30am St Andrews Chapel

2pm RSL Lifecare

Sunday 26 April

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Wednesday 29 April

10am Ballina

### ON EVERY WEEK

Mondays 9.30am

Craft Group

Function Room

Thursdays 2pm

St Mary's Singing Group

Function Room

Thursdays 3pm

Prayer Group,

Mariners Chapel

### ON EVERY MONTH

#### Men's group

Second Wednesday monthly

8.30am The Corner Café

next 13 May

#### Death Café

First Saturday of each month

10.30am Function Room

next 2 May

**Mission of the Month of April – Bush Church Aid.** Bush Church Aid is all about Aid to the Church in the Bush; providing biblically faithful ministry and bringing the life-changing gospel message of Jesus to rural, regional, and remote Australia.