

# Welcome to church!

Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

26 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

Dear Lord, thank you for your great and never-ending mercy to those who follow you. We are so blessed that you created a gate for us, your Son, to a life eternal that is so abundant and full. Strengthen our devotion to your teaching, we pray, for we have received your mercy indeed. Guide us as we are renewed in spirit to build your spiritual house as guided by the teachings of our Lord Jesus, that your house may rest on a foundation of peace and love. Strengthen our desire to care for all those less fortunate than ourselves in our community. Accept please mighty God, these prayers that we offer in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. 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.

### Emmanuel Anglican College Musical:

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory- Roald Dahl

#### Performances:

Friday 15 May- Opening Night 7pm

Saturday 16 May: 2pm Matinee and Evening 7pm

Thursday 21 May: 5pm

Friday 22 May: Evening 7pm

Saturday 23 May: 2pm Matinee and

Closing Night 7pm

Tickets- \$35. Booking online through the College webpage.

## FEATURED NEWS

### 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.

### MEETING OF PARISHIONERS: SUNDAY 3 MAY 2026 11.30AM ST MARY'S FUNCTION ROOM

to discuss a proposal for Lots 3 and 4, 24 Burnet St Ballina. (The two lots beside St Mary's Church with the Admin. hall and shed). A paper will be available on Sunday 26 April outlining the proposal to give parishioners time for consideration before the meeting.

John Bryen- Parish Council Secretary

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 4*

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

## READINGS for next week

*Easter 5*

Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 17-18; 1 Peter 2:11-25;  
John 14:1-14

### 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 9 May.**

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*

#### Parish Office

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#### Facebook

Ballina and Lennox Head  
Anglicans

#### Parish YouTube Channel:

Ballina Lennox Head  
Anglicans

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Ensemble Trivium Concert

3pm Sunday 26 April

'Trilogy' –the combination flute,  
violin and viola.

#### BCEC are holding a Street

**Stall** Saturday May 2nd

in River Street from

7.30 am to 1pm.

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.

#### 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.

***The Parish Office will be  
closed Monday 27 April for  
the Public Holiday***

### WORSHIP TIMES

*Sunday 26 April*

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

*Wednesday 29 April*

10am Ballina

*Sunday 3 May*

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

*Wednesday 6 May*

10am Ballina

### ON EVERY WEEK

#### ***Monday 27 April in Recess***

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

### 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.**

**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.