

Welcome to church!

Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

19 JULY 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

Gracious God: help us to live with the confidence that you are always with us. Whether we are celebrating or struggling, whether we feel close to you or far away, remind us that we can never be beyond your presence or your care. When we are anxious or overwhelmed, help us to rest in the truth that you go before us and stand beside us. Guide our steps, shape our heart, and give us the courage to trust you with whatever lies ahead. Thank you for your constant love and faithfulness. May our life reflect our confidence in you each day. Amen

Pray for those in need of healing

Joy Swinbourne, Felicity Ross, Cate Bible, Alison Lee, Joyce Dooley, Beverley Grant, Alex & Myra Arrighi, Janice Bruem, Joan Swinbourne, Lexie Hurford and Rhonda McCaughey.

Schools Prayer

Term 3 commences 20 July. Prayer Points-Successful School Development Day to start Term 3 for all staff; a positive return for students, ready to focus on learning and growth in their skills, knowledge and understandings where all students are engaged in all that schools have to offer.

Saints Days This Week: Wednesday: Mary Magdalene; Saturday: James, Apostle and Martyr.

FEATURED NEWS

ST MARY'S GROUND MAINTENANCE- URGENT HELP REQUIRED: Help is required to maintain St Mary's and Rectory lawns and gardens. (Both women and men) Includes- push and ride-on mowing, whipper snipping, trimming edges, cleaning grass from paths, weeding and labyrinth area. Contact Hugh McIntosh for further details.

Office Administrator's Leave: Cathie Guest will be taking long term leave from Thursday 16 July to have surgery on her foot. It is anticipated Cathie will be away for up to 8 weeks. Her workload will be covered by volunteers (Parish Council members and others) with the Parish Office open Monday to Friday 9am to 1pm. Reverend Cathy Ridd has volunteered to do the Sunday service powerpoints and prepare service sheets. Parish Office phone calls will be diverted to John Bryen with emails checked daily. Information for the weekly bulletin to be sent to the office email by Tuesday each week. The Locum will respond to mobile calls. Your patience and understanding is requested during Cathie's leave. Our prayers and best wishes for Cathie's post surgery recovery.

Funerals in St Mary's Church

Cedric Stedman- Thursday 30 July 3pm

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 8

Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-11, 23-24;
Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-33, 36-43

READINGS for next week

Pentecost 9

Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 128; Romans 8:26-39;
Matthew 13:44-58

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, 4th and 5th Saturdays,

Next one is 25 July.

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)***

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

Bible Study with Rev Cathy:

God's people in the wilderness
Sundays 4-5.30 pm
at Lennox Head, from
5 July - 9 August

Locum Ministry:

Reverend Mark Sibly and Sarah's time with us will finish at the end of this month (July). Rev'd Mark's last day will be Wednesday 29 July. A special morning tea after the 10am service on Sunday 26 July will be an opportunity to express our appreciation to both Mark and Sarah.

Next Locum:

The Right Reverend Carol Wagner and her husband Jay will arrive on the Saturday 1 August. Rev'd Carol will work 3 days a week- Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Bishop Carol retired as the Assistant Bishop of Canberra/Goulburn in 2024. Bishop Carol and Jay will live in the Rectory. We look forward to the ministry gifts Bishop Carol will share with us

MU 150 ANNIVERSARY SERVICE:

Where: Cathedral Grafton.

Time: 10.30am Saturday 25 July

SYNOD 2026 REPORTS:

Two reports are included with the email mailout this week. A small number of copies are available for those not on the mailout list.

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday 19 July

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Tuesday 21 July

10.00am St Andrews Village

Wednesday 22 July

10am Ballina

11.30am: Palm Lake Resort

Thursday 23 July

10.30am St Andrews Chapel

2pm RSL LifeCare

Sunday 26 July

8am Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Wednesday 29 July

10am Ballina

ON EVERY WEEK

Craft Group

Mondays 9.30am

except Public Holidays

Function Room

St Mary's Singing Group

Thursdays 2pm

Function Room

Prayer Group

Thursdays 3pm

Mariners Chapel

ON EVERY MONTH

Death Café

First Saturday of each month

10.30am Function Room

Men's group

Second Wednesday monthly

8.30am The Corner Café

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GIVING OPTIONS

By Direct Debit or online

BSB: 705077 Acc:

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Ballina Anglican Parish

In Person

Gifts can be placed in
offertory box during services

Funeral Catering

Parish Council has decided to trial catering for smaller funerals. This will include tea/coffee/juice; sandwiches; slices and cakes.

This will depend on the availability of volunteers. Please let Vicki Goulding know if you are available to be on a roster.
(0408 665 017)

Mission of the Month – Anglican Overseas Aid

Anglican Overseas Aid (AOA) is an overseas relief and development agency associated with the Anglican Church of Australia. We long to see dignity, equality and inclusion for those experiencing poverty and marginalisation, with an emphasis on gender and climate justice. We work with the broader Anglican community to see the world as God designed it to be, renewed and restored