

Welcome to church!

Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans

We're so glad you are here

4 October 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, we see you in all your creation as it sings of your wonder and greatness. You are ever present in the world around us and in our lives, calling us to grow in trust and faith in Jesus, our loving Saviour. You sent us your word so that we could come to know more of your promises and trust in your forgiveness. Thank you that we are called to love you and give us the confidence to tell others about your great love, which is for everyone, so that those who are searching for peace in their lives will find you. We pray in Jesus name, 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 and Rhonda McCaughey.

Schools Prayer this week:

God of all truth, teach us to love you with heart and mind. Bless our schools that they may be lively centres for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom. May all who teach and all who learn seek and love the truth, and in humility look to you, the source of all wisdom and understanding, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Saints Days This Week:

William Tyndale, biblical scholar (d. 1536)

FEATURED NEWS

LOCUM CHANGES

Today we thank Bishop Carol for her ministry with us during the first part of her time in the Parish. We pray for safe travel and refreshment during her overseas trip.

This coming week we welcome the Reverend David Angus and Cathy as they join us, living in the Rectory. Reverend David will work the same days as Bishop Carol-Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday. Reverend David and Cathy, until recently, lived in Cameron Road Wollongbar before moving to Canberra. Reverend David was part of the Ministry Team in Ballina in the 1990's.

150 Celebrations- January 2027

St Mary's church buildings (1877, 1906 and 1998) have been the focus and gathering place for followers (disciples) of Jesus Christ in the Ballina region- a community of faith of the Church of England until 1981. The name was then changed to the Anglican Church of Australia, an independent province of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

The first St Mary's Church was part of the Diocese of Grafton and Armidale. The Diocese of Grafton was achieved in March 1914 when Cecil Henry Druitt was installed as the first Bishop of Grafton. The Right Reverend Dr Murray Harvey is the twelfth Bishop of Grafton.

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 19
 Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14;
 Matthew 21:33-46

READINGS for next week

Pentecost 20
 Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6, 20-24;
 Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

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, 4th Saturday

Next one is 10 October

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)***

St Mary's Music Estuary

Concerts: 25 October: Art Song. Join sparkling soprano, Katie Stenzel, and award-winning pianist, Alex Raineri, on a musical exploration spanning art song, opera and musical theatre.

A talk on the Islamic Faith Perspectives to Death and Dying will be presented by Ahmet Ozturk on Saturday 17 October 2026 at 12.30pm in the Function Room.

Ahmet is the manager of the Islamic Scientific and Research Academy Centre in Sydney. RSVP to Kerry Johnston

An All Souls Day Service will be held on Saturday 31 October 2026 at 6pm. Please join us for a special service to remember those who have died and to acknowledge our grief.

Appeal for Nepal: The Parish is making a \$2000 donation to the Nepal Appeal. Parishioners are invited to add to this amount by donating as follows: in an envelope marked "Nepal Appeal" and placed in the collection or as a direct debit online: BSB 705 077 Acc. 00040134, Reference Nepal Appeal.

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday 4 October

8am: Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Wednesday 7 October

10am Ballina

Sunday 11 October

8am: Lennox Head

10am Ballina

Wednesday 14 October

10am Ballina

11.30am Palm Lake Resort

ON EVERY WEEK**Craft Group**

Mondays 9.30am

except Public Holidays

Function Room

St Mary's Singing Group

In recess until 22 October

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

8.00am The Corner Café

FORTNIGHTLY**Community Supported****Produce**

Monday 12 & 26 October

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Ballina Anglican Parish

In Person

Gifts can be placed in
 offertory box during services

Birthday

Graham Shaw

Nursing Home Services:

BUPA Chapel Service

10 am Saturday 3 October

*Monday 5 October is a public
 holiday. The Parish Office will
 be closed on that day.*

Mission of the Month – ABM Auxiliary Diocese of Grafton: supporting ABM Projects.

Donations: by placing your donation in an envelope marked ABM Auxiliary or direct deposit to our bank account- Ballina Anglican Parish BSB 705 077 Account number- 00040134. Reference- ABM Auxiliary.