

Anglican Diocese of Grafton

Prayer Diary 2018



A LETTER FROM THE BISHOP

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This 2018 edition of our Diocesan Prayer Diary once again gathers the prayer requests of all our ministry units and agencies, enabling us to focus our prayers through the year, upholding each other and lovingly supporting each other.

Although we are scattered along the coastal strip of northern NSW, from Tweed Heads south to Port Macquarie, we are held together by our love of God, our commitment to each other and to the Gospel, and by the prayer we offer for each other day by day, week by week, throughout the year. As we pray, so we offer a gift of love to those for whom we are praying. The very act of prayer also deepens our own relationship with God.

I encourage you to pray for the people, parishes, schools and agencies of the Diocese, and particularly for the Discernment Synod and Bishop's Appointment process.

As 2018 unfolds there will be many prayer points which emerge. If you would like to receive the weekly Diocesan Prayer Chain, please contact the Rev'd David Hanger at hangeron@bigpond.com. This weekly email offers an up to date list of prayer points.

May you be richly blessed in your prayer life.

Grace and peace,

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil

Although I can't see the outcome, you will be beside me whatever happens to me I am always in your hands.

PARISH: Alstonville:

The Reverend Dr Desiree Snyman (Marius)

The Reverend Geoff Vidal (Carol)

The Reverend John Kidson (Kris)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Iris Cowie Diana Eagles Charlie Handley Mark Stuckey

Please Pray:

Please join with us as we pray for:

- Messy Church leaders, families and newcomers
- Intergenerational Worship leaders, congregation and newcomers
- LIFE Group leaders, participants and newcomers
- Op Shop leaders, volunteers, clients and Drop-in Centre ministry
- Seniors' Ministry leaders, congregation and newcomers.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA:

Primate: Archbishop Philip Freier (Joy)

General Secretary: Anne Hywood

General Synod Office Staff

The General Synod and the Standing Committee

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Bishop Sarah Macneil (lan)

Pray as a Diocese

That we may build Anglican communities of God's people embracing the spirit of Christ in our time and in the places God has placed us

So let us not grow weary in doing what is right for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up Galatians 6:9

PARISH: Ballina:

The Reverend Matthew Jones

The Reverend Cathy Ridd

The Reverend Richard Brown (Carolyn)

The Reverend Ivan Shepherd (Fran)

The Reverend Margaret Davis (Cliff)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

John Bryen Fran Legge John Phillips Ros Rowe

THE DIOCESE OF ADELAIDE

Archbishop Geoff Smith (Lynn)
Bishop Tim Harris (Fiona)
Bishop Chris McLeod (Susan)

Olamor and Laite

Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Registrar/General Manager Chris Nelson **Diocesan Accountant:** Terry Luce

Assistant Accountant: Darrin Johnstone

Payroll Officer & Accounts:

PA to Bishop and MDO:

PA to Registrar:

Admin Assistant

Archivist (Volunteer)

Jenny Brock

Maree Collett

Kaytrina Jessup

Linda Predo

Bev Knox

MISSION:

The Anglican Board of Mission

Executive Director: The Reverend John Deane

I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord; 'whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.' John 11:25, 26

PARISH:

Bangalow

The Reverend Canon Matthew Smedley The Reverend Doug Bannerman (Anne)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Joan Davies Julieanne Sinclair

Please Pray for:

- A strengthening of our community as 'we welcome all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation or religion.'
- The growth to wholeness and abundance for residents of The Buttery, giving thanks for The Buttery's programs and dedicated staff.
- The Op Shop, our volunteers, and all those in need who come to us.
- The development of St Peter's Place our social housing project in Bangalow.
- A wise stewardship of our resources for the benefit of the community.

THE DIOCESE OF ARMIDALE:

Bishop Richard (Rick) Lewers (Janene) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

ABM – Auxiliary Diocese of Grafton President – Janice Peate

MISSIONS:

Church Missionary Society Australia

Acting General Secretary QLD/NNSW: The Right Reverend Peter Tasker General Secretary NSW/ACT: The Reverend Canon Malcolm Richards

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!' Isaiah 6:8

PARISH:

The Bellinger

The Reverend Zoe Everingham

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Dianne Neuman Leonie Sills

Please Pray for:

- God's guidance as we discern creative ways of being church and meaningful ways to serve people in our communities of Bellingen, Urunga, Raleigh, Repton, Mylestom and Thora.
- Pastoral care ministry at Bellingen District Hospital, Bellorana Nursing Home, Raleigh Urunga Masonic Village and in the community.
- Partnership of all churches in Bellingen at weekly prayers, combined Christmas and Easter services.

THE DIOCESE OF BALLARAT:

Bishop Garry Weatherill Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

ANGLICAN FUNDS GRAFTON DIOCESE:

Fund Manager: Blaine Fitzgerald Customer Service Officer: Annette Dent

Anglican Funds Grafton Diocese Board

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil Mr David Ford Mr Ted Clarke Mr Phil Crandon Mr Gary Boyd Mr Terry Hunt Mr John Adlington Mr Chris Nelson Mrs Lisa Mulvaney Mr James Flavin

MISSION:

Anglican Overseas Aid

Chair: Associate Professor Julian Rait

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfector of our faith. Hebrews 12:2

PARISH:

Byron Bay

In Transition
Locum The Venerable Greg Ezzy (Del)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Prue Harrington

Please Pray for:

 Discernment, courage, stamina and zeal as we move into the development of a Spirituality Centre and new ways of being church.

THE DIOCESE OF BATHURST

Bishop Ian Palmer (Liz) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Household of Deacons

The Reverend Paul Hodge The Reverend Carol Ford
The Reverend Ron Miller The Reverend Jenny Parker
The Reverend Margaret Rose The Reverend Chad Rynehart

The Reverend Pam Stone

MISSION:

The Church Army Australia

Chief Executive Officer: Judy Douglas

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Jeremiah 29.11

PARISH:

Casino:

The Reverend Canon Judy Edwards (John)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Annette Battistuzzi Mark Earl Bev Hendley Susan Lollback Fiona Miller

Please Pray for:

- for St Mark's and all centres to be welcoming places of peace for all in the power of the Holy Spirit
- Creative family worship
- Establishment of Children's ministry
- Engagement with local community
- Effective Administration systems
- Equipping of laity for ministry
- Establishment of Lectionary Bible Studies

THE DIOCESE OF BENDIGO

Bishop – elect Matt Brain (Rachael) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Corporate Trustees of the Diocese

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil Ms Lee Archinal Dr Gordon Burch Mr Stephen Campbell Mr Lindsay Walker

MISSION:

The Bush Church Aid Society

National Director: The Reverend Dr Mark Short

Regional Officer QLD/NNSW: The Reverend David Rogers-Smith

Regional Officer NSW/ACT: The Reverend Ted Bush

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

PARISH

Coffs Harbour:

In Transition

The Reverend Anne Goode (Peter)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Bob Chambers Ruth Cooper Elaine Cleary
Allan Crossingham David Ford Jennifer Hallet
Lyn Mercer Allan Reko Gae Shorten
Rob Sunderland John Tigwell Bob Walsh

Kassimiro Yanga

Please Pray for:

Outreach to the wider community.

- A sense of connectedness between the city of Coffs Harbour and the Parish of St Johns.
- Continued growth in the sense of mission in the parishioners of the parish.

THE DIOCESE OF BRISBANE

Archbishop Phillip Aspinall (Christa)

Bishop Jonathan Holland (Kerry)

Bishop-elect John Roundhill (Frances Thompson)

Bishop Cameron Venables (Kate)

Bishop Jeremy Greaves (Josie)

Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Buildings and Property Committee

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil Mr Gary Boyd

The Reverend Keith McPherson Mr Richard Dubois Mr Richard Crandon Mr Peter Farrell

Mr Chris Nelson

MISSION:

National Home Mission Fund (Anglican Outback Fund)

Chairman: The Right Reverend John Parkes

Better is one day in your courts than thousands elsewhere Psalm 84 v 10

PARISH:

The Dorrigo

The Reverend Michael Ridge (Stephanie)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Stephanie Ridge

Please Pray:

- For the continued success and growth of messy church
- That we would grow deeper in our relationship with God through prayer and bible study
- For the review of our strategic plan in 2018 and God's leading for the future

THE DIOCESE OF BUNBURY

In Transition
Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

The Chancellor

Judge Richard Cogswell

Bishop in Council

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil The Venerable Gail Hagon
The Venerable Matthew Jones The Venerable Stuart Webb

The Venerable Sally Miller The Very Reverend Greg Jenks(early 2018)

The Reverend Canon Matthew Smedley The Reverend Christian Ford
The Reverend Canon Judy Edwards The Reverend Zoe Everingham
The Reverend Keith McPherson The Reverend David Hanger

Mr Chris Nelson Canon Terry Shorten

Canon John Bryen Mr David Ford

Mrs Desley Ryan Mrs Stephanie Ridge Mr Lawrence Outridge Mrs Pamela Langford

MISSIONS:

Anglican Aid Abroad

Patron: The Most Reverend Phillip Aspinall, Archbishop of Brisbane

The Lord is good; his love is eternal and his faithfulness lasts forever.

Psalm 100:5

PARISH: Grafton:

Dean Elect - The Reverend Canon Dr Greg Jenks (Eve James)

The Reverend Ian Chaplin (+Sarah Macneil)

The Reverend Camellia Flanagan

Please Pray for:

- The centres of Ministry to work together for the building up of the Body of Christ – the Cathedral, Holy Apostles' Copmanhurst, All Saints' Lawrence and Baryulgil.
- For greater mutual ministry between the parish and Clarence Valley Anglican School.
- For stronger positive links with the City of Grafton and the wider community of the Clarence Valley.

THE DIOCESE OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN

Bishop Stuart Robinson (Jane) until 31 March 2018

Bishop Trevor Edwards (Ruth)

Bishop Stephen Pickard (Jennifer)

Bishop Matt Brain (Rachael) until January 2018

Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Grafton Anglican Schools Commission

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil Mr Phillip Bonser (Chair) Mr Martin Drevikovsky

Mr Brad Bishop Ms Selena Arthur Mrs Carol Bowern

MISSION:

Anglican Women of Australia

Chaplain: The Reverend Gail Stevenson

"Be still and know that I am God" Psalm 46:10

PARISH: Kempsey:

The Reverend Bronwyn Marchant

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Sr Dr Helen CSC Barbara Cheers

Please Pray for:

- Pre-school music and movement –for children, parents, grandparents, and caregivers who join with us.
- For all our outreach to the community and for discernment and courage as we seek new ways to connect.
- That we be open to God's guidance as new opportunities for ministry and mission open up for the people in this place

Community of the Sisters of the Church

The Reverend Sister Linda Mary Sister Dr Helen Sister Fiona

DEFENCE FORCE ANGLICAN CHAPLAINCY

Bishop Ian Lambert (Jill)
Chaplains and Members of the Defence Forces

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Cathedral Chapter: as at December 2017

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil
The Venerable Gail Hagon
The Reverend Canon Judy Edwards
The Reverend Canon Matthew Smedley

Mr Chris Nelson
Canon John Bryen
Canon Terry Shorten

MISSION

SparkLit (formerly The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge Australia)

National Director: Mr Michael Collie

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts 2:42

PARISH:

Kingscliff:

In Transition

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Jenny Priest

Please Pray for:

Spreading God's love in our Parish through:

- Holy and passionate worship
- Committed and authentic discipleship
- Bold and insightful mission

We give thanks for:-

- Pastoral Visiting Team
- Outreach ministries; kids ministries, christian meditation, Taizé, SRE and home group network
- Faithful parishioners
- Opportunities to spread the good news of Jesus to the growing Tweed Coast

THE DIOCESE OF GIPPSLAND

In Transition
Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Media Liaison Officer:

The Reverend Vivian Hoskins

North Coast Anglican:

The Editor – Ms Louise Mackay

MISSION:

GFS Australia (Formerly Girls Friendly Society) / Kids Plus+Chair: Julie Smith

Forgiveness is your greatest gift for you, God, are full of compassion and mercy.

PARISH: Kyogle:

The Reverend Leslie Fotakis (Peter)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Noel Bodycote Maurice Powell

Penny Price

Please Pray for:

- Give thanks for the faithful ministry of the past.
- For our vision to increase as we embrace a new future.
- The community in which we live, that our connections will be authentic, lasting and rich.

THE DIOCESE OF GRAFTON

Bishop Sarah Macneil (Ian) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Anglicare North Coast

Chair: The Reverend Canon Matthew Smedley Chief Executive Officer: Ms Estelle Graham

MISSION:

Anglicare Australia

Chair: The Right Reverend Chris Jones Executive Director: Kasy Chambers

And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6:8b

PARISH: Lismore:

The Reverend Christian Ford (Brenda)

The Reverend Alan Shaw (Sue)

The Reverend Rhonda Callander

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Russell Cook Stephen Hall Gabriel Madit Gary Murphy Ray Nickel Douglas Ridley

Bill Scott (Snr)

Please Pray for:

- Our new Mainly Music Ministry to families.
- Stronger connections between Parish Pre School and Parish.
- Our implementation of the Pathways Project.
- Our continued working with our Strategic Plan.

THE DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

Archbishop Philip Freier (Joy)

Bishop Genieve Blackwell (John)

Bishop Philip Huggins (Liz)

Bishop Brad Billings (Karen)

Bishop Paul Barker

Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Hospital Chaplains:

Port Macquarie – The Reverend Leanne Smith

Lismore - The Reverend Alan Shaw

Coffs Harbour – The Reverend Anne Goode

MISSION:

NATSIAC

Chair: The Reverend Gloria Shipp

For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

PARISH:

Lower Macleay:

In Transition
The Reverend Michael Bain (Donna)
The Reverend Jeff Murnain (Ruth)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Walter Sharoff

Please Pray for:

- Healing, consolidation and reorientation for the parish.
- Discernment in the search for and appointment of a new Rector.
- We give thanks for the blending of two services into one intergenerational service.
- the future of the Hat Head Village Church in 2018.

THE DIOCESE OF NEWCASTLE

Bishop Peter Stuart (Nicki) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Vocations Panel:

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil The Venerable Gail Hagon The Reverend Canon Judy Edwards Mrs Anne Morris Bannerman Mr Terry Muldoon

MISSION:

Mission to Seafarers

National Executive Officer: The Reverend Garry Dodd

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. Colossians 2:6,7

Parish of Macksville

The Reverend Clyde Appleby (Linda)

Licensed Lay Ministers

Lesle Cropp Sheralee Hardaker David Jones

Pamela Langford Sue Noble

Please pray for:

- The life and mission of Jesus Christ to be central to our worship and service.
- The leading of the Holy Spirit as we seek new ways to connect with our community.
- That young mothers will come into the Craft and Skills to Share Group to learn from our older ladies.
- That God will bless the faithful and generous service of our Op Shop volunteers.
- That we will be a parish of peace, harmony and unity.
- For wisdom for the Ministry Team and Parish Council as we seek God's direction for our parish.

THE DIOCESE OF NORTH QUEENSLAND

Bishop Bill Ray (Robin) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Anglican Cursillo Movement Grafton Diocesan Spiritual Director:

The Reverend Rhonda Callander

Diocesan Lay Co-Ordinator:

Mr Kevin Hill Mrs Marg Gardnir

MISSIONS:

Anglican Cursillo Movement

National Lay Director: Mr Rodger O'Hara

I have come that they may have life in abundance. John 10:10

PARISH:

Maclean:

The Reverend Lyn Bullard

The Reverend Lenore Parker

The Reverend Hope Bennett

Licensed Lay Ministers

Liz Bryant Ross Bryant Cristina Parsons

Joy Rouse Gwynne Thomas

Please Pray for:

- Our continually expanding playgroups;
- Outreach ministry with the boat "Church on the Clarence";
- Strength and energy for our ageing congregation;
- for fruit to come from our outreach ministries

THE DIOCESE OF NORTH WEST AUSTRALIA

Bishop Gary Nelson (Christine) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Anglican Mothers Union Australia

President: Mrs Sandra Chambers

Chaplain: The Reverend Camellia Flanagan

Please Pray for:

For Mother's Union members and branches throughout the Diocese and the many projects undertaken by them.

MISSION:

MU Australia

Acting Provincial President: The Reverend Anne Kennedy

Enlarge the site of your tent, and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out; do not hold back: lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes. For the Lord has called you. Isaiah 54:2,6a

PARISH:

Mid Richmond:

The Reverend Cathy Ridd

Please Pray:

That we will be ready as God answers our Parish collect prayer for growth:

God of abundance and growth,

You call us to join you in building your kingdom.

Give us the courage to make space for your kingdom to grow in this parish.

Help our parish to grow in numbers.

Help us to grow in our faith and commitment to you, through prayer, study, and loving action.

We make this petition through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

THE DIOCESE OF PERTH

Archbishop-elect Kay Goldsworthy (Jeri) Bishop Jeremy James (Lynne) Bishop Kate Wilmot Clergy and Laity

MISSION:

Anglican Men's Society

National Executive Chairman: The Right Reverend John Stead

The LORD your God in your midst, the Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17

PARISH:

Mullumbimby:

The Reverend Lyn Baldwin (Howard)
The Reverend Margaret Rose (Bob)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Laura East Merle Siwicki

Please Pray:

- Lord, we ask that we would recognise you in our midst, in your Word, as we break bread together, in one another and in those we minister with.
- As you rejoice over us, cause us to rejoice in you and each other. Help us to know your love in our world and your peace in our lives. Amen

THE DIOCESE OF RIVERINA

Bishop Rob Gillion (Janine) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Professional Standards Director:

Mr Peter Barnett (Acting)

Professional Standards Committee:

The Reverend Lyndon Mulholland (Chair)

Professional Standards Board

His Honour Judge Andrew Colefax SC (President)

MISSION:

Anglican Communion and the Archbishop of Canterbury
The Most Reverend Justin Welby

Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:33

PARISH:

Murwillumbah:

The Reverend Lyndon Mulholland (Anna)
The Reverend John Tyman (Penny)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Maureen Harper David Miller Madeline Pearce Iona Rossely

Please Pray for:

- The people of All Saints Murwillumbah, Holy Trinity Uki, and St John's Tyalgum to grow in confidence in the Gospel and to reach out in love.
- To be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

THE DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

Bishop David Robinson (Jan) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Ministry Development Officer
Mission Archdeacon North
Mission Archdeacon South
Mission Archdeacon Schools
The Venerable Gail Hagon
The Venerable Matthew Jones
The Venerable Stuart Webb
The Venerable Sally Miller

Ministry Support Officer North The Reverend Canon Matthew Smedley

Ministry Support Officer Richmond The Reverend Christian Ford Ministry Support Officer Central The Reverend Lynette Bullard Ministry Support Officer South The Reverend Ross Duncan

MISSION:

Anglican Consultative Council

Chair: The Most Reverend Dr Paul Kwong

Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live." Ezekiel 47.6-9

PARISH:

Nambucca Heads:

In Transition

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Jan Llewellyn Brian Pade

Yvonne Patman Christine Wilson

Please Pray for:

 Appointment of a new Rector and part-time children and family minister.

Consolidation of new ministries currently operating.

THE DIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Archbishop Glenn Davies (Dianne)

Bishop Michael Stead (Felicity)

Bishop Ivan Lee (Virginia)

Bishop Peter Hayward (Julie)

Bishop Chris Edwards (Belinda)

Bishop Peter Lin (Isobel)

Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

St Cuthbert's Retirement Living Complexes, Tweed Heads

Director: Ms Heather Lewis

Chair: Mr David Miller

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.1 Corinthians 1:18

PARISH:

Northern Beaches Anglicans (Woolgoolga):

The Reverend David Hanger (Leone)

The Reverend Simon Reeve (Alison)

The Reverend Pam Stone

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Anne Dorman

Stephen Egan

Yve Fraser

Please Pray:

We give thanks to God for the growth in our parish and pray that we will faithfully walk in a manner worthy of our calling as Christians as we make connections with our communities, share the gospel of God's saving love in Christ and demonstrate his sacrificial love of all the world.

THE DIOCESE OF TASMANIA

Bishop Richard Condie (Helen)

Bishop Ross Nicholson (Jenny)

Bishop Chris Jones (Christine)

Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Representatives to General Synod:

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil

The Venerable Gail Hagon

The Venerable Stuart Webb

Mr Chris Nelson

Ms Anne Morris Bannerman

MISSION:

St George's College Jerusalem:

Dean: The Very Reverend Hosam Naoum

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable, for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. 2 Timothy 3:16

PARISH:

Orara Valley

In partnership with the Coffs Harbour Parish

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Ted Clarke Gayl Ellem Ruth Pobjoy

Please Pray for:

- We give thanks to God for His many blessings to us.
- We give thanks for our many community groups in our beautiful Orara Valley.
- We pray that we may grow together with God's Holy Spirit in love and fellowship.
- We pray for congregation growth for our Churches at Coramba, Nana Glen and Glenreagh.

THE DIOCESE OF THE MURRAY

Bishop John Ford (Bridget) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

School Chaplains:

The Reverend Naomi Cooke (Bishop Druitt College)

The Reverend David Morgan (Bishop Druitt College)

The Reverend Nicole Hagon (Clarence Valley Anglican School)

In Transition (Emmanuel Anglican College)

The Reverend Chad Rynehart (Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School)

The Reverend Paul Hodge (St Columba Anglican School)

MISSION:

Vicar of Bangkok

Vicar: Revd Tim Eady

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let you gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious for anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4: 4-7

PARISH:

Port Macquarie:

The Venerable Stuart Webb (Michelle)
The Reverend Ross Duncan (Debbie)

Families and Youth Ministers:

Mr David Morgan (Elizabeth) Mr Lawrence Outridge

Hospital Chaplains:

The Reverend Leanne Smith (Cary)
Mrs Kim Butler

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Keith Bevan Gary Boyd Mrs Kim Butler Bruce Nosworthy Ray Peters

Please Pray for:

Wisdom and courage as we take new directions.

THE DIOCESE OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Bishop Greg Anderson (Annette) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Diocesan Schools:

Bishop Druitt College Coffs Harbour

Principal: Mr Nick Johnstone

Chair: Mr David Ford

MISSION:

National Council of Churches

President: The Right Reverend Philip Huggins

I am the way, the truth and the light, no-one comes to the Father except through me!

John 14:6

PARISH:

Sawtell/Bonville:

The Reverend Keith McPherson (Naomi)

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Geoff Stevens Trevor Watson

Please Pray for:

- Outreach to the Mainly Music families.
- Growth in our love of and obedience to God's word.
- Growth in numbers
- Raising up new leaders to give those who are tired a rest from carrying the burden.

THE DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA

Bishop John Parkes AM (Margaret) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Diocesan Schools:

Clarence Valley Anglican School - Grafton

Principal: Mr Martin Oates

Acting Chair: Mr Phillip Bonser

MISSION:

The Buttery (Drugs and Gambling Rehabilitation)

Chief Executive Officer: John Mundy Chair: Professor Robert Weatherby

I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:18

PARISH:

South Grafton:

The Reverend Margaret Beach The Reverend Jenny Parker (Ian)

Parish Mission Prayer:

God of Mission and Ministry send your Holy Spirit to give discernment to us in our planning, wisdom and understanding in our actions, and courage to walk with the stranger in our midst. Grow our church both in love and in numbers, as we promise to welcome, to support and care for all with whom we encounter. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE DIOCESE OF WILLOCHRA

Bishop John Stead (Jan) Clergy and Laity

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Diocesan Schools:

Emmanuel Anglican College: Ballina

Principal: Mr Robert Tobias

Chair: Mr Bill Adler

MISSION:

SOMA (Sharing of Ministries Abroad)

Chair: Bishop Ian Lambert

'See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the desert.' Isaiah 43:19

PARISH:

Tweed Heads:

The Reverend Rachel Rynehart (Chad)

The Reverend Chad Rynehart (Rachel)

The Reverend Sue Woodcock

The Reverend John Reid

The Reverend Cameron Smith

The Reverend Gavin Talbot

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Mary Birch John Gandey Maria Gandey Adrian Rogers Joy Maynard Yvonne Turner

Please Pray for:

- Courage and discernment as we seek a vision for future mission and ministry.
- Opportunity to grow and strengthen connections between the Parish of Tweed Heads and Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School
- Openness to the call of God in our lives, as individuals and as a community.

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Diocesan Schools:

Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School: Terranora

Principal: Mr Stuart Marquardt

Chair: Mr Chris Goldstone

Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word Luke 1:38

PARISH:

Upper Clarence:

Ministry Team

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Kerry Martin

Little Brothers of St Francis:

Brother Wayne, Brother Howard & Brother Geoffrey

Please Pray for:

- Pray for the people of the Upper Clarence area, that they will continue to be faithful in work, worship and witness for our Lord.
- Pray for the grace to face the challenges involved in becoming a ministering community.
- Give thanks for new initiatives amongst parishes

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Diocesan Schools:

St Columba Anglican School: Port Macquarie

Principal: Mr Terry Muldoon

Chair: The Reverend Dr John Barrett

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Non Stipended Clergy of the Diocese Retired Clergy Clergy Widows and Widowers

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth. The former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. Isaiah 65:17

PARISH: Wauchope:

In Transition

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Gordon Burch Robert Drysdale Frankie Gatenby Lorraine Kirkman

Please Pray:

- for the work of the Holy Spirit amongst us
- for God's guidance in our time of transition
- that we will continue to be faithful in worship, witness and work in the community
- that we will be able to change and grow

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:

Environment Commission
Liturgy Commission
Audit Committee
Stipends Committee
Finance Committee
Other Sub Committees of Bishop in Council

How good and how exciting it is to work together in unity.

DIOCESE OF GRAFTON

That we may continue to "embrace the Spirit of Christ in our time" and in our places where God has placed us.

Diocesan Vision Statement

We are Anglican communities of God's people embracing the Spirit of Christ in our time.

We are compassionate signs and channels of God's reconciling transforming mission in the world.

Diocesan Prayer

Gracious God
whose very being is love,
who reaches out into the whole of your creation,
who came amongst us in Christ Jesus,
and who invites us to share in your love;
grant us the grace to hear and to listen to your Word,
to receive and respond to your call upon our lives;
so that enriched and enlivened by the Holy Spirit,
we may be compassionate signs and channels
of your reconciling transforming love in the world. Amen

Please Pray:

- for the grace to proclaim the love of God for all people and for the faith to take our place in the life of the church.
- for those who work to serve our community fire fighters, police and ambulance officers etc.
- for local and primary industries, that all who help to provide for our community may be blessed.
- for organisations supporting and caring for the aged at home, and that our community may recognise the value and stability the elderly give to our society
- for local homes, hostels and refuges. That Christ may be seen in those with nowhere to lay their head
- for our homes and families, that we may bring those we love to a greater joy in the Lord.
- for those in authority: heads of government and parliaments.
- for our local state and federal representatives.
- for our brothers and sisters worshipping our Lord in other denominations.

You strengthen me when I need support when I am unsure of the future, you will guide me.

MINISTRY WITH THE ABORIGINAL PEOPLE OF AUSTRALIA

Bishop Chris McLeod (Susan) Aboriginal Clergy and Laity

MINISTRY WITH THE TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE OF AUSTRALIA

Bishop in Transition
Torres Strait Islander Clergy and Laity

Please pray for the process of reconciliation in our diocese and in our nation

Lord God, bring us together as one, reconciled with you and reconciled with each other, You made us in your likeness, you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ.

He has given us forgiveness from sin.

Lord God, bring us together as one, different in culture, but given new life in Jesus Christ, together as your body, your church, your people.

Lord God, bring us together as one, reconciled, healed, forgiven sharing you with others as you have called us to do. In Jesus Christ, let us be together as one

Amen

(A Prayer Book for Australia p203)

Turn again, our God, and enliven us that your people may rejoice in you.

Theological Colleges

Australian College of Theology

St. Francis' College (Brisbane)

St. Barnabas' College (Adelaide)

St. Mark's College (Canberra)

Moore College (Sydney)

St. John's College (Newcastle)

Ridley College (Melbourne)

Trinity College (Melbourne)

Wollaston College (Perth)

Nungalinga College (Darwin)

Wontulp-Bi-Buya College (Cairns)

Religious Orders:

The Society of the Sacred Mission

The Society of the Sacred Advent

The Society of St. Francis (including the Third Order)

The Brotherhood of St. Barnabas

The Order of St. Benedict

The Community of St Barnabas & St Cecilia

The Community of the Holy Name

The Community of the Sisters of the Church

The Sisters of the Incarnation

The Little Brothers of St. Francis

Mission and Evangelism

Anglican Board of Mission-Australia

The Church Missionary Society

The Church Army

The National Home Mission Fund

The Bush Church Aid Society

Sparklit (formerly The Society for the Promotion of

Christian Knowledge Australia)

Anglican Aid Abroad.

For all our Deacons and remembering Deacons World Wide.

A list of all Saints' Days to which the Churches and Centres in the Diocese are dedicated, so that we can remember each particular congregation on their day

January 25

Conversion of St. Paul Byron Bay, Coramba

March 20

St Cuthbert Tweed Heads, Ellenborough

March 25

Feast of the Annunciation Bonalbo

Lady Day

April 25

St Mark Casino, Pottsville, Nimbin, Urbenville

May 26

Holy Trinity Macksville, Uki, South West Rocks

May 28

St. Augustine of Canterbury Woolgoolga

June 9

St. Columba Ewingsdale

June 10

St. Margaret of Scotland Bellingen, Woodenbong

June 11

St. Barnabas Urunga, Wardell

June 22

St. Alban Woodburn

June 24

St. John the Baptist Lennox Head, Nambucca Heads

June 29

St. Peter Tregeagle, Frederickton, Iluka,

Nana Glen, Goonellabah

July 20

St. Margaret Wooli, Woodenbong

July 22

St. Mary Magdalene Coraki

July 25

St. James Bellbrook, Kingscliff, Kyogle,

Maclean, Bowraville, Byabarra

August 3

St. Stephen Dorrigo

August 5

St. Oswald Broken Head

August 15

Mary Mother of the Lord Ballina

August 25

St. Bartholomew Alstonville

August 31

St. Aidan Eureka

September 21

St. Matthew Dunoon, South Grafton, Wauchope

October 6

St. Faith Doubtful Creek

November 1

All Saints Clovass, Yamba, Kempsey,

Lawrence, Stuart's Point, Murwillumbah, Old Bonalbo,

Pappinbarra

November 2

All Souls Bangalow

November 11

St. Martin Mullumbimby

November 22

The Feast of Christ the King The Cathedral, Hat Head, Glenreagh

November 30

St. Andrew Lismore

December 6

St. Nicholas Sawtell

December 21

St. Thomas Wyrallah, Port Macquarie,

Brunswick Heads

December 27

St. John Rappville, Evans Head, Tabulam,

Coffs Harbour, Lennox Head,

Tyalgum,

While every attempt has been made to ensure the information from relevant ministry units in the Prayer Diary are correct, we apologise for any errors.

Please inform us of any changes which need to be made

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Reference

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If reprinting or reposting material, please mention Psalms of Life and include a link to www.psalmsoflife.com

On 4 February 2018, the Diocese of Grafton commences the process of discernment and search for a new Bishop of Grafton.

Please pray for the Bishop Appointment Board.

Eternal God, shepherd and guide,
In your mercy give your Church in this diocese
a shepherd after your own heart
who will walk in your ways,
and with loving care watch over your people.
Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of truth.
So may your church be built up
And your name glorified;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

(A Prayer Book for Australia p212)