



**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](mailto: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,

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads "+ Sarah". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

The Right Reverend Dr Sarah Macneil

## **DAY 1**

*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 (Ian)

### **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

## **DAY 2**

*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)  
Clergy and Laity

### **DIOCESE OF GRAFTON:**

<b>Registrar/General Manager</b>	Chris Nelson
<b>Diocesan Accountant:</b>	Terry Luce
<b>Assistant Accountant:</b>	Darrin Johnstone
<b>Payroll Officer &amp; Accounts:</b>	Jenny Brock
<b>PA to Bishop and MDO:</b>	Maree Collett
<b>PA to Registrar:</b>	Kaytrina Jessup
<b>Admin Assistant</b>	Linda Predo
<b>Archivist (Volunteer)</b>	Bev Knox

### **MISSION:**

The Anglican Board of Mission  
Executive Director: The Reverend John Deane

## **DAY 3**

*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

## **DAY 4**

*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 Ted Clarke

Mr Gary Boyd

Mr John Adlington

Mrs Lisa Mulvaney

Mr David Ford

Mr Phil Crandon

Mr Terry Hunt

Mr Chris Nelson

Mr James Flavin

### **MISSION:**

Anglican Overseas Aid

Chair: Associate Professor Julian Rait

## **DAY 5**

*Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter 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 Ron Miller

The Reverend Margaret Rose

The Reverend Pam Stone

The Reverend Carol Ford

The Reverend Jenny Parker

The Reverend Chad Rynehart

### **MISSION:**

The Church Army Australia

Chief Executive Officer: Judy Douglas

## **DAY 6**

*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
Mr Brad Bishop	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



## **DAY 7**

*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)

The Reverend Carol Ford (David)

#### **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

## DAY 8

*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 <sup>(early 2018)</sup>
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

## **DAY 9**

*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 Brad Bishop
Mr Phillip Bonser (Chair)	Ms Selena Arthur
Mr Martin Drevikovsky	Mrs Carol Bower

### **MISSION:**

Anglican Women of Australia  
Chaplain: The Reverend Gail Stevenson

## **DAY 10**

*“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

## **DAY 11**

*They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts2:42*

### **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

## **DAY 12**

*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

## **DAY 13**

*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

## **DAY 14**

*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



## **DAY 15**

*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

## **DAY 16**

*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

## **DAY 17**

*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

## **DAY 18**

*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

## DAY 19

*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

The Venerable Gail Hagon

Mission Archdeacon North

The Venerable Matthew Jones

Mission Archdeacon South

The Venerable Stuart Webb

Mission Archdeacon Schools

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

## **DAY 20**

*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

Yvonne Patman

Brian Pade

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

## **DAY 21**

*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

## **DAY 22**

*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

Ian Ellem

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



## **DAY 23**

*Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your 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 Drutt College Coffs Harbour***

Principal: Mr Nick Johnstone

Chair: Mr David Ford

### **MISSION:**

National Council of Churches

President: The Right Reverend Philip Huggins

## **DAY 24**

*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

## **DAY 25**

*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

## **DAY 26**

*'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

## **DAY 27**

*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

## **DAY 28**

*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

## **DAY 29**

*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.

## **DAY 30**

*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)*



## **DAY 31**

*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  
Lady Day

Bonalbo

**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

<b>June 29</b> St. Peter	Tregeagle, Frederickton, Iluka, Nana Glen, Goonellabah
<b>July 20</b> St. Margaret	Wooli, Woodenbong
<b>July 22</b> St. Mary Magdalene	Coraki
<b>July 25</b> St. James	Bellbrook, Kingscliff, Kyogle, Macleay, Bowraville, Byabarra
<b>August 3</b> St. Stephen	Dorrigo
<b>August 5</b> St. Oswald	Broken Head
<b>August 15</b> Mary Mother of the Lord	Ballina
<b>August 25</b> St. Bartholomew	Alstonville
<b>August 31</b> St. Aidan	Eureka
<b>September 21</b> St. Matthew	Dunoon, South Grafton, Wauchope
<b>October 6</b> St. Faith	Doubtful Creek
<b>November 1</b> All Saints	Clovass, Yamba, Kempsey, Lawrence, Stuart's Point, Murwillumbah, Old Bonalbo, Pappinbarra
<b>November 2</b> 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,

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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)*