

**THIS WEEK: 3 – 9 June**

Monday	3 June	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity until 8 June</i>
		9:00am Morning Prayer
		5:00pm Evening Prayer
Wednesday	5 June	<i>The Visitation of Elizabeth to the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
		<i>Eid-al-fitr, Breaking of the Fast (Muslim)</i>
		9:00am Morning Prayer
		10:00am Eucharist, Bangalow
		5:00pm Evening Prayer
Thursday	6 June	9:00am Morning Prayer
		5:00pm Evening Prayer
Friday	7 June	<i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth</i>
		9:00am Morning Prayer
		5:00pm Evening Prayer
Sunday	9 June	9:00am Eucharist, Bangalow
		10:45am Parish Council



**THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF BANGALOW**

All Souls' Bangalow  
St Aidan's Eureka

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**The Seventh Sunday of Easter — 2 June 2019**

As we gather for worship, we acknowledge the **Bundjalung Nation**, traditional custodians of this land.

**And that will be heaven**

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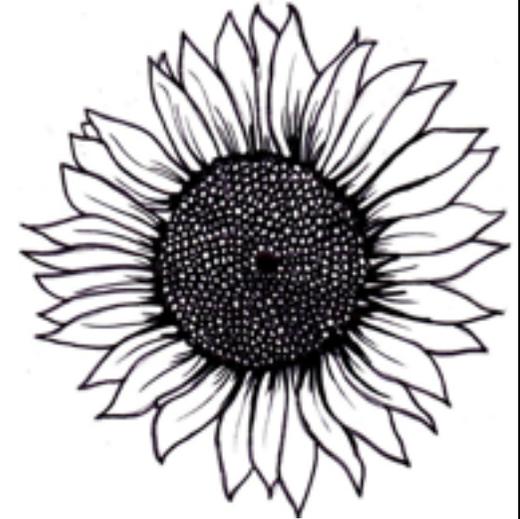
at last the first unclouded  
seeing

to stand like the sunflower  
turned full face to the sun drenched  
with light in the still centre  
held while the circling planets  
hum with an utter joy

seeing and knowing  
at last in every particle  
seen and unknown and not turning  
away

never turning away  
again

*Evangeline Paterson*



**God of all creation,  
you call us to live in harmony and love.  
May we be unified as you and your risen Son,  
Jesus Christ, are unified.  
So may we be signs of your unity  
throughout the earth.  
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

**PARISH GOALS**

- to pursue a social justice agenda
- to offer hospitality
- to support the spread of the Gospel in schools
- to maintain environmental care

**SERVICE TIMES**

Bangalow		
Sunday	9.00am	Eucharist
Wednesday	10.00am	Eucharist
Eureka	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	11.00am

Bangalow Anglican Church



**THIS SUNDAY 2 JUNE 2019 – EASTER 7**

*Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22:12-22; John 17:20-26.*

**NEXT SUNDAY 9 JUNE 2019 – PENTECOST**

*Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:26-36; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17.*



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## Becoming Alive in the Spirit of the Resurrection

What praxis is bound up with hope for 'the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come'? The ideas which hope takes always both open up and limit the way and the experience of any life. The horizon of expectation makes the sphere of experience accessible. These forms given to hope are not imaginary wish-fulfillments, although of course we in fact find that they are sometimes misused in this way. But essentially speaking these are expectations and hopes which release energies in all those who cherish them and make experiences possible because they 'set people on the move.' If we ask about the praxis of the resurrection hope, we are asking about the way of life and the experience of life of the people who are animated—'ensouled'—by this hope. The expected 'resurrection of the body' is already present in 'the Spirit of the resurrection' and is effective here and now. Life in the Spirit of God is consequently a life in the power of the resurrection. Traditionally it was understood as rebirth through the Spirit, and was symbolically sealed in baptism. Taken literally, it means 'being born again to a living hope through the raising of Christ from the dead' (1 Peter 1:3). This spiritual rebirth of a human being is nothing less than the anticipated rebirth of the whole cosmos. It is a personal happening with cosmic relevance. The people who are 'born again' through the Spirit of the resurrection are not redeemed from 'this wicked world.' They are called to the liberation of suffering creation and are made alive for that purpose. The living hope to which we are reborn is an inclusive hope for all sad created beings, but never an exclusive hope in which believers assure themselves complacently of their own salvation and let the rest of the world go to hell.

Christian faith starts from the assumption that it is impossible to reconcile life and death without the future of God. Should we accept death as a natural part of life? Then we must renounce love, which desires the life of the beloved and not his death. Should we renounce the body because it is mortal? Then we must renounce love altogether. If we accept death and if we repress death we cannot love life. Consciously or unconsciously, the knowledge of death destroys love's ability to affirm life. Whether we accept death as unavoidable, or whether we repress it, the result is that the natural life drive is perverted into an unnatural death instinct. The liberation of the life drive from the death instinct is the authentic effect of the hope for 'the resurrection of the body.' Surprising though it may sound it is hope for the resurrection of the body which is the foundation and motivation for what Bonhoeffer called 'Christianity's profound this-worldliness.' It is precisely this hope which – contrary to what Nietzsche said – moves men and women to 'remain true to the earth,' even in the face of the individual, collective and universal death.

The Spirit of the resurrection is 'the life-giving Spirit.' The Spirit is experienced wherever life here is quickened and its living energies awake. This happens wherever this mortal life is unreservedly affirmed. It is affirmed where its self-isolation is overcome through communication with other life. For life is communion in communication. Death acts on this life and in it as the power of division and isolation. But the resurrection actively penetrates life too, by virtue of hope, and cancels the results of death's power.

Moltmann, Jürgen. *The Way of Jesus Christ* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1993), pp. 263-64.

## PARISH NOTICES

- ★ The Rev'd Allan Foster died on 23 May after a long illness. Rev'd Allan was the Rector of St John's Coffs Harbour between 1998 and 200 and his funeral service was held Thursday 30 May at the Anglican 'Church of the Resurrection' at Mount Macedon, VIC.
- ★ The Buttery helps people change their lives for the better – this tax time please consider making a life-changing donation to help a teenager or adult who really wants to lead a better life free from addiction. Go to [www.buttery.org.au](http://www.buttery.org.au).
- ★ Please continue to pray for parishes seeking new incumbents: Casino, Coffs Harbour, Nambucca Heads, South Grafton, The Bellinger and Tweed Heads. The Parishes of Mullumbimby and Mid-Richmond are in transition.

Fr Matthew

*Religious conversion is being grasped by ultimate concern. It is other-worldly falling in love. It is total and permanent self-surrender without conditions, qualifications, reservations. But it is such a surrender, not as an act, but as a dynamic state that is prior to and principle of subsequent acts. It is revealed in retrospect as an undertow of existential consciousness, as a fated acceptance of a vocation to holiness, as perhaps an increasing simplicity and passivity in prayer. It is interpreted differently in the context of different religious traditions. For Christians it is God's love flooding our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. It is the gift of grace...*

Bernard Lonergan (1904-1984)

### Prayers

Daughter of Jerusalem, sing and shout for joy,  
**for the Lord has risen. Alleluia!**

Anglican Communion — La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico: The Most Rev'd Francisco Moreno, Presiding Bishop of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico & Bishop of Northern Mexico

Australia — Diocese of Adelaide: Bishop Geoff Smith, Bishop Tim Harris, Bishop Chris McLeod, Bishop-elect Denise Ferguson, Clergy and Laity

Diocese — Registrar Chris Nelson, Diocesan Accountant Terry Luce, Assistant Accountant Darrin Johnstone, Insurance & Accounts Jenny Brock, PA to Bishop & MDO Maree Collett, PA to Registrar Kaytrina Jessup, Admin Assistant Linda Butler, Volunteer Archivist Bev Knox; Parish of Ballina: Ven Matthew Jones, Rev'd Cathy Ridd, Rev'd Richard Brown, Rev'd Ivan Shepherd, Rev'd Margaret Davis, LLMs John Bryen, Fran Legge, Pat Kerr, Amkela Malaba, John Phillips, Ros Rowe

Please pray for Fr Craig, those who are sick, lonely, homeless, refugees and asylum seekers

Anniversaries of Death — Robert Clarence Newport, Thomas Taylor, Oswald James Jackson, John William Shepperson, Herbert Wallis, Lillian May Rankin, Amelia Lillian Graham, Sylvia Marie Flick