

COLLECT: O God, the king of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: leave us not desolate, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to where our Saviour Christ has gone before, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for evermore. **Amen.**

PRAYER BEFORE READING: Thank you, Father, for making yourself known to us, showing us the way of salvation through faith in your Son. We ask you now to teach us through your word, so that we may be ready to serve you, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



Sunday 17 May 2026 AD

Next Week's Bible Readings:

2 Samuel 15:25-37
Zechariah 9:9-17
John 12:12-19

Next Sunday's Sermon Text:

John 12:12-19

SERMON SERIES MEMORY VERSE

"Instead, God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the less honorable, so that there would be no division in the body, but that the members would have the same concern for each other. So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it."

1 Corinthians 12:24b-26 (CSB)

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

- Monday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup)
2.00pm - Fellowship Gathering @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre
- Tuesday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
10am - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (contact Chris Wilson)
4pm - Choir Rehearsal
6pm - Dinner and Bible Study - Dan and Shonae Rowe's home (contact Dan)
- Wednesday:** 9-10am - Prayer Gathering
1.30pm - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre
2pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Lilian Essex-Clark's home)
- Thursday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
12.30pm - Gentlemen's Lunch (at Bluebottles Cafe) - see David Aber
4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga
- Friday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)
6pm - WiFY - Years 6-12
- 2nd Sunday:** 2pm - Jesus Club: **TODAY** Sunday 17 May

DAYS UNAVAILABLE: Simon—Thursday, Daniel—Wednesday, Pam—Friday

We warmly welcome you to Northern Beaches Anglicans.

If you are new, visiting, or one of our regulars, we are glad you have joined us today.



A Burial – John 12:1-11

By the end of chapter 11, Jesus had largely withdrawn from public ministry because of the growing threats against his life. He and his disciples appear to have been staying in Ephraim, a village near the wilderness region. Yet as the Passover Festival approaches, Jesus begins making his way toward Jerusalem and arrives in the small town of Bethany, where he is reunited with the resurrected Lazarus and his two sisters, Mary and Martha. The celebratory dinner that follows takes an unexpected turn. Mary's extravagant act of devotion – anointing Jesus' feet with fragrant oil – sparks a terse exchange between Judas, the soon-to-be betrayer, and Jesus. While Judas objects to what he sees as wastefulness, Jesus uses the moment to teach those present and to reveal the path that lies ahead. By speaking of his burial and hinting that he will not always be with them, Jesus clearly points toward his coming death. The reader is left to consider two contrasting responses to Jesus: Mary's, or Judas's.

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) & Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). NEXT Combined Service 31 May 2026 Sunday@9 - 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Robert Anderson, Edward Maher, Annie Finch, Yve Fraser, Doug Hawtin, Pat Smith and Julianne Oxley.

Please pray for the family and friends of Lily McLaughlin as they grieve her recent death.

Northern Beaches Anglicans in the Diocese of Grafton is committed to protecting your privacy. The people on this list have requested prayer at this time.



PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP:

The Parish Council met on Tuesday last week. There were a number of items discussed that require our thanksgiving and prayer.

- * Simon gave report of the last two months of ministry activity including his three-week leave and the visit from CMS link missionaries M & L.
- * Simon noted the generous donation that was received into the church accounts in April.
- * Simon noted the Assistant Ministry position will be due for renewal soon (July), and a new contract will need to be drawn up to continue this role.
- * Simon reported that Leone Hanger will officially finish as Office Manager on 30 June this year.
- * Simon reported that our application to purchase the Crown Land road between the buildings has finally progressed. One month is given for community submissions before we enter the next stage of our application.
- * Simon noted that we have been invited to participate in the next National Church Life Survey (NCLS) in August/September this year.
- * Parish Council considered the options to improve candle performance at the 8am Service.
- * Parish Council moved to contribute \$2500 toward ARDFA's Middle Eastern Crisis Appeal.
- * Dan and Pam reported on their ministry activities since the last PC meeting.
- * The treasurer reported on the current financial position of the parish.
- * Parish Council moved to roll over the maturing term deposit for a further 12-month, and also to invest the generous donation into high interest short-term deposits so that they can become available if and when they are needed.
- * Steve presented the warden's report on current property maintenance.
- * A letter of thanks was received from the Halls Creek Remote Op Shop Project which we have contributed to.
- * Two recent physical injuries at the Op Shop were noted and have been referred to the Diocese.



"A Burial"

Today's Readings:

2 Samuel 15:15-23 (pg 315)
Deuteronomy 15:1-11 (pg 191)
John 12:1-11 (pg 1078)

Today's Sermon Text:

John 12:1-11 (pg 1078)



SYNOD 2026: 26-28 June

In the last week we have received notification of the upcoming Diocesan Synod for 2026. A Synod is like an AGM for the diocese, where significant changes can be made and vision is set. I would like our parish to commit to praying for all aspects of the upcoming Synod, including the preparation, for our representatives, for the outcome, and for God's kingdom to grow across the region as a result of decisions made. Please join together in this commitment.



Offertory: March & April

	Actual	Budget
March	10,198.65	11,250.00
April	11,027.00	11,250.00
YTD	33,205.00	45,000.00



Women's High Tea

Save the Date:

Saturday 30 May 10.30am
in the Parish Hall.

Please see enclosed invitation.



Our Songs of Praise

@8* Hosanna

- * I Just Want To Praise You
- * I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say
- * Praise To The Lord
- @10* Hallelujah to the King of Kings
- * We Declare
- * Jesus Paid It All
- * The Power of the Cross



NORTH COAST MEN'S CONVENTION:

Saturday 13 June

at Yamba Presbyterian Church.
Guest Speakers: **Simon Manchester**
David Cook.

More details to come.



COMBINED SERVICE:

Please remember that our next Combined Service is on Sunday 31 May at 9am.



David & Leone Hanger
Wednesday 20 May

May you enjoy your celebration and may God bless you both on your special day.