

Higher *Lite*

Anglican Parish of Kingscliff, July 26, 2026

Parish Secretary Ximena de Sada is on vacation for two weeks so we will circulate this simple format newsletter until she returns.

Harley Farewelled in Huge Service at St James

Our dear friend Harley was nothing if not gregarious. And the huge turnout at his funeral at St. James on Monday reflected that. A dignified service led by Rev. Constantine sang Harley's favourite hymns, heard eulogies from his family, prayers from his Bible Study Group and a moving quote from Shakespeare, as we bid farewell to a true believer we all loved as a brother. Vale Harley, he has gone to be with the Lord.



Stewardship Sunday, July 26th

This Sunday is Stewardship Sunday. We would appreciate all parishioners returning the completed forms this Sunday using the envelopes provided in the foyer of each church. We will offer a blessing over these offerings of practical and financial support of our Parish. We pray, God may grant us the means to continue to prosper and bring people to faith through the generosity of these pledges.

Nola Hines Funeral

Harry Hines' dear mum Nola sadly has passed away. Nola was a longstanding parishioner of the Parish and back in the day used to teach Sunday School at St James. Her funeral will be held at 10.30 am at Melucca Station on Friday July 24.

Rev Susan Woodcock Preaches at Both Centres

Rev. Sue Woodcock returned to the Parish last week to lead the Sunday services at both centres. Sue preached on the story of siblings Jacob and Esau, in which she emphasised the importance of God's equal love of all.

Winter Clothing Appeal

Rev. Constantine recently met with John Lee of local charity "You Have a Friend" to ask what the Parish could do to help. The answer was to supply as many warm winter clothing items (track suits, beanies, gloves, woolly socks) as possible, as well as lightweight sleeping bags that are easy to carry (available for about \$15 from Kmart). Tinned food is always appreciated so long as it hasn't passed its use-by date. Please leave your donations with the Wardens. There is also a collection bin inside St. James foyer.

Pre Loved Fashion Parade and High Tea

The date for the Pre Loved Fashion Parade and High Tea has been set for Sat, Sep 19th - 1 to 4pm. **Save the date** in your diary for this wonderful fundraiser for our ongoing modification and renovations to our church properties. If you have "cat walk" worthy clothes to donate please contact Kaz at calendar@apok.org.au or see Kerrie Duval at St. James – if you need clarification over what we are looking for. We ask only a few "like new" items as we don't want to be overwhelmed with stock and having to donate clothes that we cannot use please.

RSVPs Due for the Hope Walk for Hope Vale on St James Day

The Hope Walk will take place on St. James Day, Saturday July 25th starting from St James at 12 pm (for a 12.30 start) and heading south to St Marks, arriving no later than 4pm, with several stops enroute. Walk as far or little as you like. All are invited to join in a community barbecue and evening prayer at St. Marks after. A bus will be available for those wishing to return to St. James at the completion of the walk.

SATURDAY, JULY 25TH – St. James Day

We will remember St. James on Sunday, July 26th with a scrumptious morning tea.

St. James the Great (or the Greater): *An apostle and the brother of St. John. Jesus nicknamed them the "Sons of Thunder" for their fiery temperaments. He was the first apostle to be martyred (beheaded by order of King Herod Agrippa in 44 AD). Tradition holds that he evangelized in Spain, and his alleged remains are buried at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela, the destination of the famous Camino de Santiago pilgrimage. Hence the shell symbol on our logo and on the church.*

Connect and Welcome Cards

The Parish's new Welcome and Connect cards are now in the foyer so please direct any newcomers you meet to them so that we can be in touch with them and send them the Higher Newsletter.

Free Christian Books in the Foyer

A stocktake of the Parish's book resources has yielded a selection of books being given away for free at St. James.

Clergy Retreat

Rev. Constantine has been attending the Clergy retreat this past week. He will lead the services this Sunday but will be away again until August 4th with leave and work commitments.

Baby Kene's Christening

What a beautiful celebration of God's wonderful creation as we welcomed Kene Patrick into Gods' family and our parish family. He was his usual calm and collected self as the church overflowed with well-wishers wanting to commemorate this very special day. Thanks to all that helped with morning tea and provided food.

DATES COMING UP

Sunday, July 26th KAP "Kids At Pottsville" with enhanced morning tea.
All welcome especially those new to our church.

Saturday, August 1st No Healing Service

Sunday, August 2nd – KICK at St. James with enhanced morning tea. All
welcome and especially we want to extend an invite to
newcomers.

Sunday August 2nd Mike Upton from BCA "Bush Churches Association" will
address both congregations.

Wednesday, August 4th Constantine resumes regular duties

Sunday, August 9th NEW DATE for Spiritual Gym at Lindisfarne
Contemporary Worship Service at St James 5pm