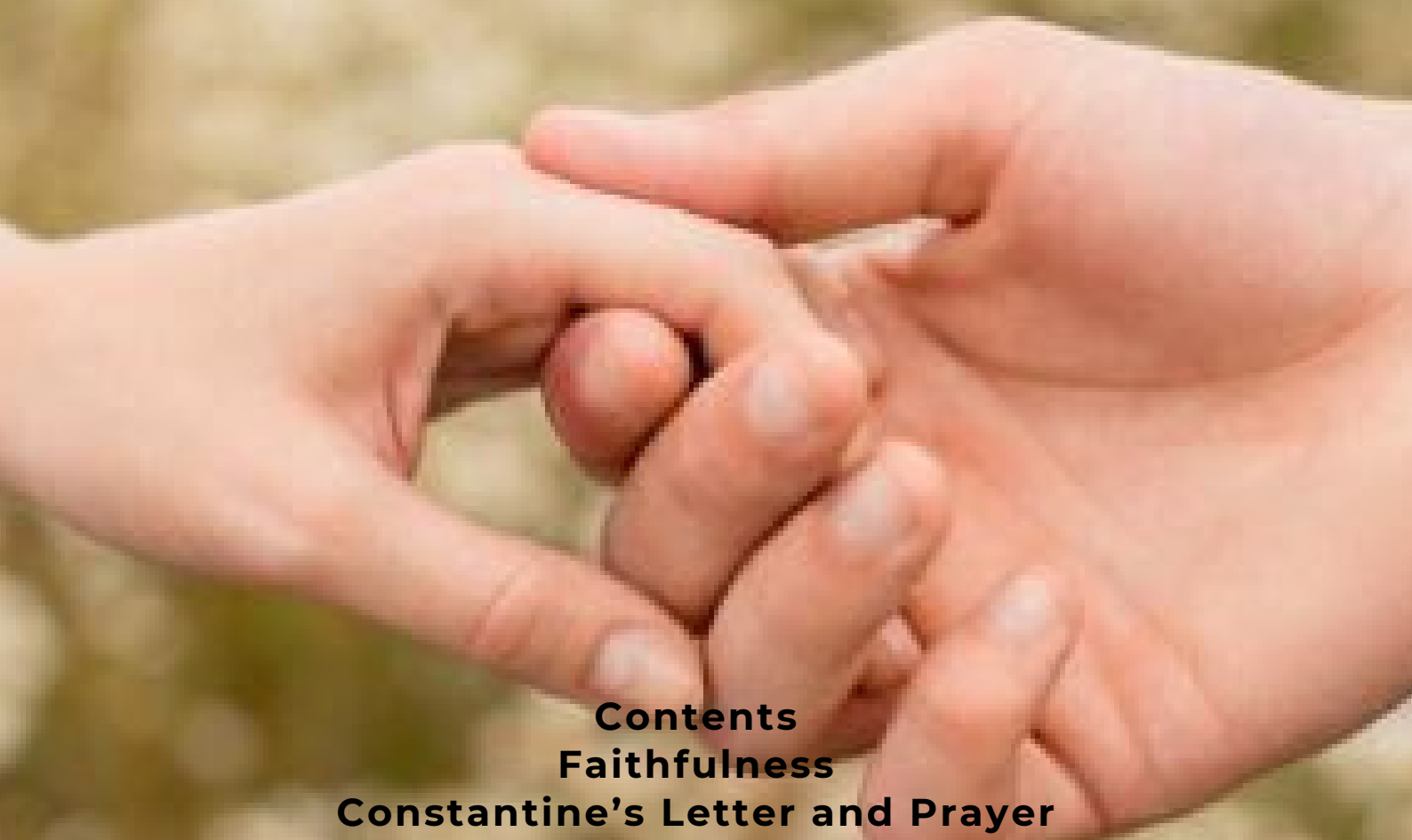


ANGLICAN PARISH OF KINGSCLIFF
BULLETIN

Higher

“as it is in heaven”

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Higher

Welcome stranger! If you are visiting St James in Kingscliff or St Marks in Pottsville, this page is especially for you. We are the two Anglican Churches in this part of the world and are delighted to welcome you to our growing Parish. You can learn more by leafing through this magazine, HIGHER, our weekly bulletin, which keeps our Christian community informed and updated about all that is going on.

If you are curious to know more about our Christian faith please contact our Rector, Rev. Constantine Osuchukwu whose details can be found at the back of this bulletin. Give him a call and invite him for coffee. We are all about hospitality and the love of God here and would love you to join us. You can also get a better idea of who we are what we are about by attending worship on Sundays (8.30 – 9.30 am at St James, 10.30 – 11.30 am at St Marks) and staying on for morning tea afterwards.

Faithfulness

Letter from Constantine

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ

The Two Pockets: Dust and Dignity

A wise Jewish rabbi, Simcha Bunim, once taught that every person should carry two slips of paper in their pockets. On one, the words: “I am only dust and ashes.” On the other: “For my sake was the world created.” His advice was simple: when you feel proud and self-important, read the first. When you feel disheartened and worthless, read the second.

This beautiful parable offers a profound lesson for our own walk of faith. It captures the delicate, God-given balance of the Christian life.

In one pocket, we carry our dignity. The message, “For my sake was the world created,” echoes the very first chapter of Genesis, where God creates humanity in His own image and declares His creation “very good” (see Genesis 1:26-31). It is a truth reaffirmed in our Baptism, where we are claimed as beloved sons and daughters of God. When we are burdened by failure, grief, or a sense of insignificance, we must reach into this pocket. We are reminded that we are of infinite worth to our Creator; the whole drama of salvation, through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, was undertaken for our sake. We are not accidents, but cherished children for whom the world was made.

In the other pocket, we carry our humility. “I am only dust and ashes” is not a statement of worthlessness, but a grounding reminder of our creatureliness. We are not God. Our plans will falter, our understanding is limited, and we are utterly dependent on our Creator for every breath. When we are tempted by pride, frustration with others, or the belief that we are solely in charge, this truth brings us back to earth. It helps us to laugh at our own seriousness, to extend grace to others who are also ‘dust,’ and to kneel in rightful awe before the One who formed us from that dust.

As members of the Christian Anglican tradition, which so values a balanced and thoughtful faith, this wisdom is a wonderful guide. It calls us to hold both truths in tension. We are neither so low that we are beyond God's love and purpose, nor so high that we have no need of His grace and mercy.

This week, may we learn to carry these two truths in our hearts. May we embrace our God-given dignity when the world makes us feel small, and may we embrace our holy humility when our pride threatens to isolate us from God and our neighbour. In this sacred balance, we find the freedom to live as the people God created us to be.

In the words of St Paul in Ephesians 2:10, "we are God's work of art." May the Divine artist make us a beautiful masterpiece.

Thank you immensely for who you are and for what you do.

In Christ,

Constantine

60 Prayers for our 60th Parish Anniversary (1965-2025)

'Pray always and never lose heart' (Words of Jesus in Luke 18:1)

We're compiling 60 special prayers to celebrate our Parish's 60th Anniversary, and we'd love your contribution!

You're welcome to send a prayer you've written yourself, a traditional prayer, or one from another source that you find meaningful.

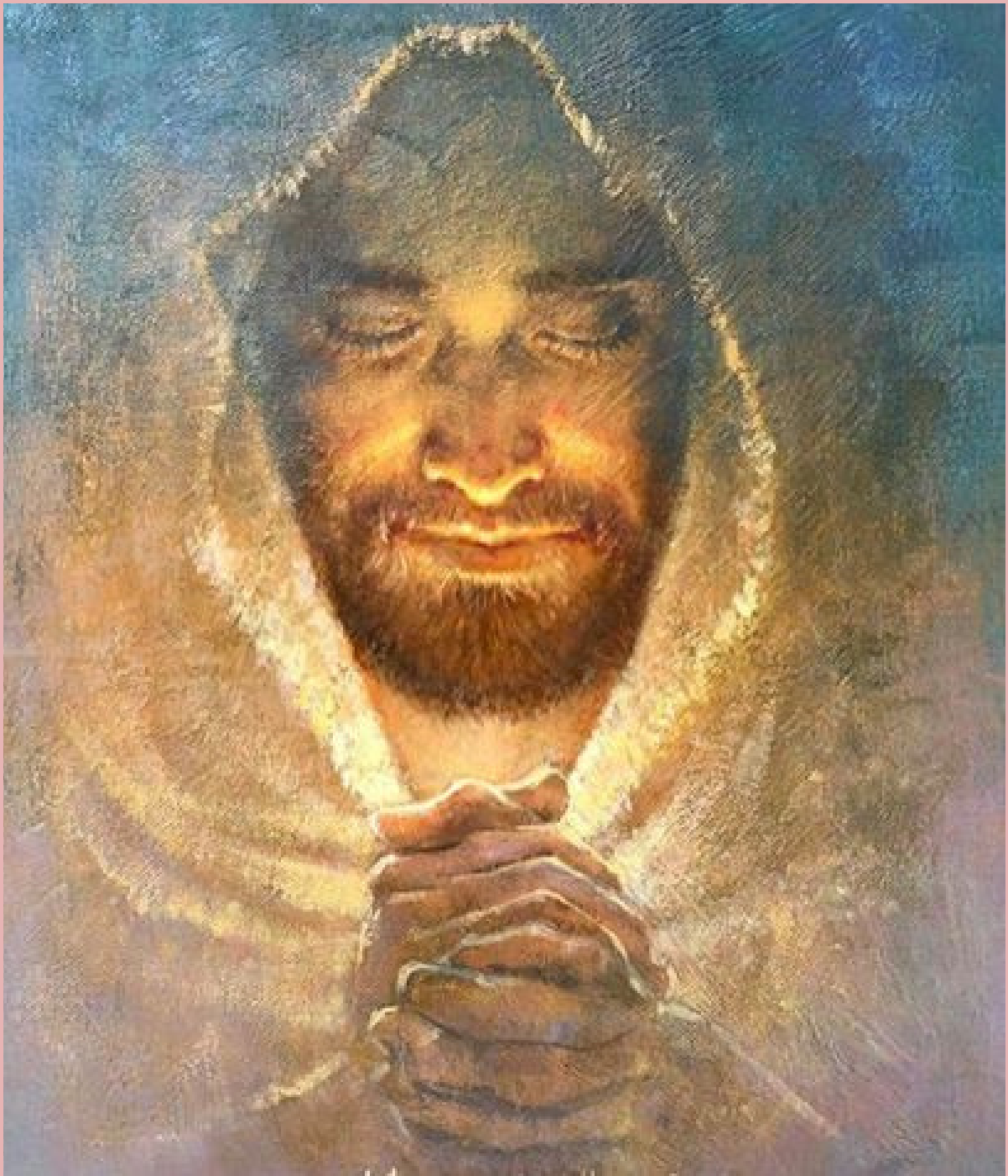
Please email your prayer to rector@apok.org.au

Thank you for your support.

Constantine

A Prayer of Trust and Patience by St Teresa of Avila (Feast Day -15 October)

Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing;
God only is changeless.
Patience gains all things.
Who has God wants nothing.
God alone suffices.
Amen.



Wheels and Cartwheels

St James' popular coffee cart will soon be enjoying a new lease of life as a mobile café on Campus, after initially being set up to occupy the southeast corner of St James. After the cart was wheeled away a few weeks back, Huck and members of the Working Group were hard at work on Tuesday and Wednesday relocating the foundation and re-grassing the area, where soon, we hope to see children playing and turning cartwheels on the new lawn.



Christmas Market Preparations

Our “Bigger-than-Ben-Hur” Christmas Market Day on Sat Nov 22 is edging closer and closer. Only 35 sleeps to go! The team will meet again after Church in the Parish Hall next Sunday. If you are running a stall please attend.



Raffle Tickets

Raewyn and the team have organised some fabulous prizes for the Raffle, the star exhibit being a wheelbarrow full of Chrissie goodies, fit for a king! Please remember to collect a book or two of tickets after Church on Sunday, and sell them to your family, friends and neighbours before the big day. If you've already sold some, you can return your ticket stubs, and money to Terry after Church Service. Please make sure your return is recorded on our run sheet.

Cooks for Cakes

Marg has put out a call for bakers to help with the cooking of cakes, biscuits, sweets etc. Please see Marg at Church or Raewyn at the next Christmas Market planning meeting in, if you can help.

Planting and Potting

Also those who are planting and potting please let Raewyn know what, exactly, so the team knows what to expect.

Any other enquiries please call Raewyn on 0419 423 742.

Parish Birthday Celebrations

The Parish will celebrate its 60th birthday with special services at St Marks on Wednesday 3rd Dec and St James on Friday Dec 5th. The Wednesday service in Pottsville is in the evening, commencing at 5:00pm, followed by a Community BBQ, whilst the Friday event starts 10 am, with the Bishop Murray coming all the way from Grafton to join is. There will be morning tea and a Q & A with the Bishop afterwards, and many other activities. So put it in your diary!

Leonie's 'Faithfulness in Service' Course Packed Out

Leonie's inaugural offering of the "Faithfulness in Service" course on Sat 25th October is now all-but fully booked with all 15 places taken. Due to the overwhelming demand for this popular (or perhaps, just mandatory!) course, Leonie will run a second one on Sat Nov 8th for those who missed out.

With this degree of enthusiasm, with eager parishioners lining up to learn more about Christian faithfulness at Church, we say: "Taylor Swift eat your heart out!"

High School Scripture

The annual general meeting of Tweed Coast Christian Education Association will be held on Tuesday 21st October at Tweed Heads Presbyterian Church, 18 Florence St Tweed Heads.

There will be a light dinner provided prior to commencement of the meeting starting at 6:00 pm.

For catering purposes please let Terry know if you are attending by 6:00 pm Sunday afternoon.

Increased Offerings and Donations

Treasurer Terry MacNellee reports that two highlights from the financial information he presented to Parish Council on the 8th October were: -

1. Church offerings for the period 01/01/25 to 30/09/25 amounted to \$69,365 which is an increase of 16% on the total of \$58,142 received for the same period last year.

2. In addition to the increase in the offerings specific donations for the 'stained-glass' windows, wheelchairs for hospitals in Nigeria and new computer for St James totalling \$8,500 have been made.

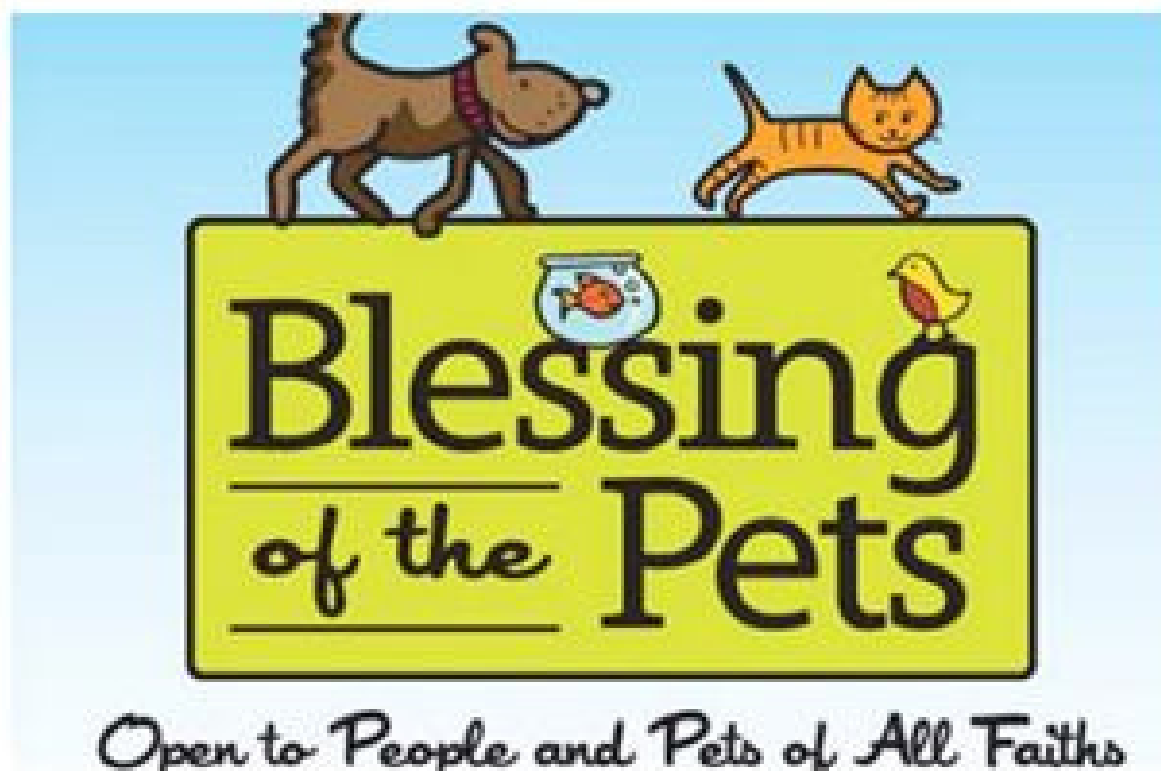
Parish Council thanks the Parishioners of St James and St Marks for the generous financial support.

Anglican Parish of Kingscliff and Pottsville
Invites you to

A FAMILY AND KIDS' SERVICE

Sunday 26 October 2025, 10.30am

In honour of St. Francis of Assisi and all of creation



People and Pets of all ages

Welcome

(or photos of pets)

Individual blessings

Donations for RSPCA welcomed

What is this?

A Kids' Service

(outdoors)

Followed by: **Sausage Sizzle and
Morning Tea (outdoors)**

Pets must be friendly and either on a
leash (dogs), in carriers (cats), or in
cages, fish bowls or terrariums.

When: 26 October 10.30 am
Where: St. Mark's Church garden,
15a Coronation Ave, Pottsville

October 31st
3:15 – 5:30 pm
LIGHT NIGHT
FREE FUN !

"You are the light of the world... let your light shine before others"
Matthew 5:14-15

Games ➡ Food ➡ Worship

For students **Years 3 - 8** in the Tweed / Banora community

Venue: Pacific Coast Christian School Hall

Hosted by the Pacific Group of Christian Schools and Combined Churches



**Registration
Form**





Pencil Tree Fundraiser

Fashion Parade

Help educate needy children in India

Enjoy the latest fashions from
Drift Boutique Cabarita



- Includes a delicious meal
- Lucky door prize
- Gifts and raffles
- Cost \$45 BYO drinks



To book online use the QR code
focus your phone camera on the code

18 October 2025

4:00pm - 7:00pm

The Nook Italian Bistro
87-89 Tweed Coast Rd, Hastings Point
(02) 6670 4444

LINDISFARNE ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL WARMLY INVITES YOU TO A

SPIRITUAL GYM

For our next Spiritual Gym we will be remembering our departed loved ones.



Sunday, 2 November 2025

4.30pm Refreshments | 5.00pm Service

Mahers Lane Chapel | All Welcome



LINDISFARNE
Anglican Grammar School

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God,
your Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your
presence:
give us pure hearts and
steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in
truth;
through the same Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.



Bank Account Details

If you would like to contribute financially to the life and mission of both churches in the Parish of Kingscliff by electronic means, our bank account details are:

BSB: 062-673

Account: 1001 5155

Account Name: Anglican Parish of Kingscliff

Thank you for your support, we appreciate your generosity.

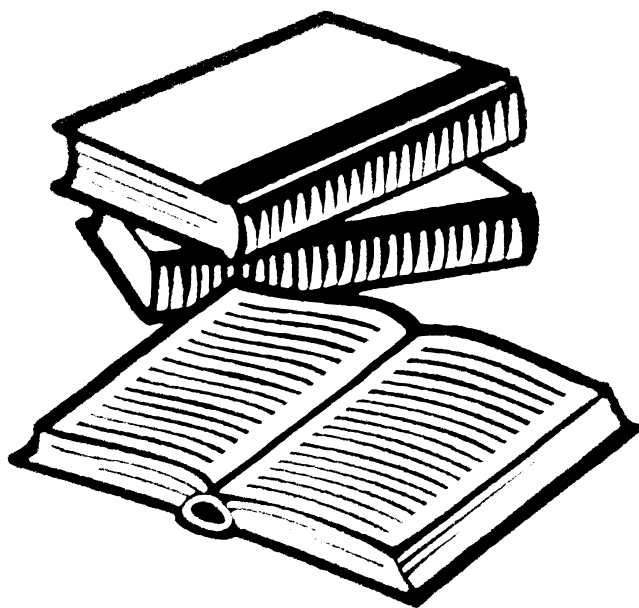
Parish Food Ministry

The Parish would like to thank all who helped distribute the meals through the Food Ministry this week, add both St Marks and St James. Well done all for keeping this vital long running ministry alive.

St James - 88 meals

St Marks - 42 meals

Praise be to God!



Sunday Worship Readings

Sunday 19 October 2025

Jeremiah 31.27-34

Psalms 119.97-104

2 Timothy 3.10-4.5

Luke 18.1-14

Sunday 26 October 2025

Joel 2.23-32

Psalms 65

2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18

Luke 18.15-30

Service Schedule

St James

Sunday 19 October 2025

8.30am

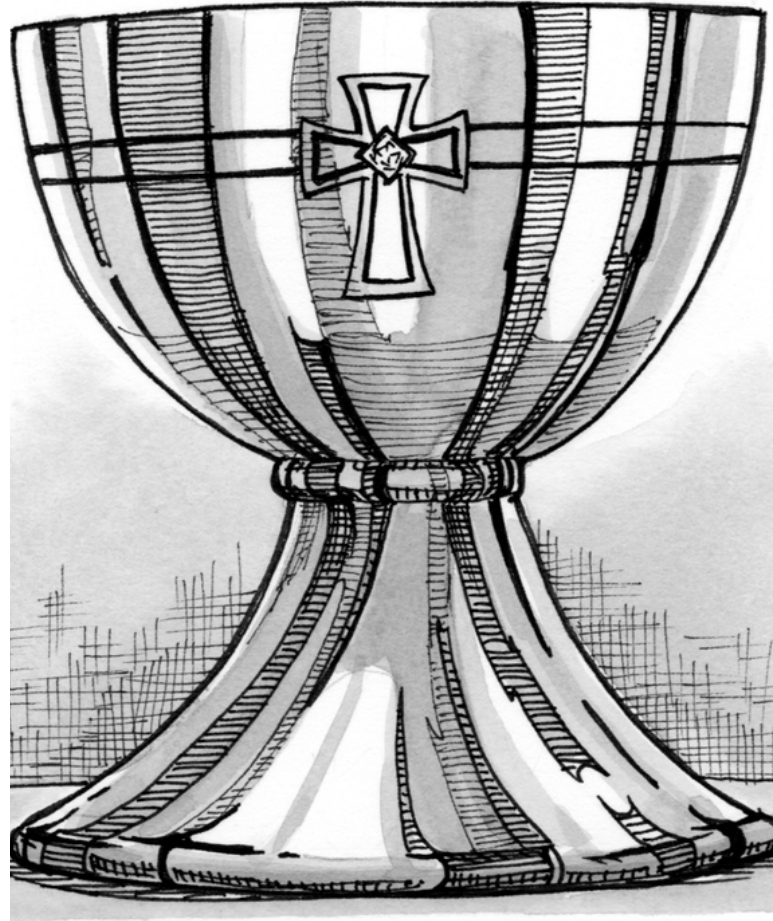
Rev. Constantine Osuchukwu

St Marks

Sunday 19 October 2025

10.30am

Rev. Constantine Osuchukwu



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Parish Calendar for October 2025

● Mondays

- U3A Art Group – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–12:00pm
- Bible Study – St James Parish Hall, 2:00pm–4:00pm
- Evening Prayer – St James Kingscliff, 5:15pm–5:30pm

● Tuesdays

- Justice of the Peace – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–12:00pm
- Meal Handout – St Mark's Pottsville 11:00am–1:00pm
 - Holy Communion/Eucharist – St Mark's Pottsville, 12.30pm -1,00pm
- Bible Study – St Mark's Pottsville Hall, 4:00pm
- AA Meeting – St James Kingscliff, 7:30pm
- Pottsville Community Association – Last Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm

● Wednesdays

- Holy Communion/Eucharist – St James Kingscliff, 10:00am
- 'Lectio Divina' (Holy Reading of the Bible) – St James Kingscliff, 11:30am
- Bible Study (fortnightly) -St Mark's Pottsville, 10.00am
- Meditation (in person) – St James Kingscliff, 4:00pm & Via Zoom

Zoom link

Meeting ID: 891 8478 4092 | Passcode: 516345

- Evening Prayer – St James Kingscliff, 5:15pm–5:30pm

● Thursdays

- Ladies Craft Group – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–12:00pm
- Meal Handout – St James Kingscliff, 11:00am–1:00pm
- AA Meeting – St Mark's Pottsville, 6:00pm
- Men's Bible Study – 6:30pm, Mike Sainsbury's Home, 5 Vulcan street, Kingscliff
Contact: Jason 0406 450 056
- Evening Prayer – St James Kingscliff, 5:15pm–5:30pm

● Fridays

- Sing to Connect Choir – St James Kingscliff, 9:30–10:45am
- Making Marks Art Group – St James Kingscliff, 1:00pm–4:00pm

● Saturdays

- Community Garden Club – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–11:00am
 - Seven-Day Adventist Church at St Mark's, 9.00am -1.00pm
 - BCP Healing Service at St James Kingscliff, 1st Saturday of the month at 5pm

● Sundays

- Holy Communion/Eucharist
 - St James Kingscliff, 8:30am
 - St Mark's Pottsville, 10:30am
 - Contemporary Service, 2nd Sundays of the Month at St James at 5pm.

📌 Upcoming Events

Spiritual Gym -2 November at 4:30 pm at Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School Chapel

Parish Council Meeting -12 November at 5:30 pm at St. James

Parish Market Day -22 November at St James Parish Grounds

Parish 60th Anniversary Celebrations -3rd and 5th December 2025