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“as it is in heaven”

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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.

**This Blessed
Weather**

Letter from Constantine

Putting Human Beings at The Centre

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have been battling laryngitis for several days now. While I am feeling much better than I sound, the experience has given me an opportunity to slow down, change pace, and allow myself the time needed for a full recovery. During this unexpected period of quiet and reflection, I have begun reading Pope Leo's recent encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, on artificial intelligence (AI). It is a thoughtful and timely document, well worth reading.

You can find the document here:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/encyclicals/documents/20260515-magnifica-humanitas.html>

"In the era of artificial intelligence," he writes, "when human dignity is threatened by new forms of dehumanisation, ours is the pressing duty to remain profoundly human. We must lovingly safeguard the grandeur of humanity bestowed upon us ... the splendour of which no machine can ever replace."

Pope Leo encourages us to embrace the benefits of AI while remaining vigilant about its risks. He warns against building a modern Tower of Babel -one that deepens division, violence, and injustice through technology. Instead, he calls us to be builders of communion: people who place the human person at the centre of all we do and every decision we make.

For educators, parents, grandparents, and all who care about the future of our young people, the challenge is clear: to use technology in ways that make our children and grandchildren more, not less, human. The task before us is captured in Pope Leo's stirring call:

“Each generation inherits the task of shaping its own era, of guiding history to become a place where the dignity of every person is safeguarded, justice is promoted and fraternity is made possible. Yet every era also runs the risk of creating an inhumane and more unjust world.”

May we have the wisdom, courage, and discernment to ensure that the technologies we create and use serve the flourishing of humanity, uphold human dignity, and strengthen our bonds of community and compassion.

Our Prayer Focus this Week

“Pray always and never lose heart” (words of Jesus in Luke 18 verse 1)

Let us pray for all those impacted by the Ebola virus in the Democratic Republic of Congo and other places;

Let us pray for those who suffer because of war and violence: the poor, the elderly and the weak, women and children;

Let us pray for those who foment war and profit from arms trade: that God may touch their hearts and convert them;

Let us pray for peace in our hearts and in our world.

Let us pray for all attending our Alpha Course sessions.

Let us pray for all the sick in our parish and hospitals.

Please if you'd like us to pray for you, send your prayer requests to prayers@apok.org.au

We would like to join you in praying for these requests.

I wish you all a rejuvenating long weekend, and God's richest blessings in every way.

I make mine the closing benediction in the Book of Jude (Jude 1:24-25) and pray God's richest blessings upon you and all your family:

"Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen."

Your brother in Christ,
Constantine

Prayer of St Teresa of Avila

Let nothing disturb you
Let nothing frighten you;
All things are passing,
God never changes.

Patience attains
All that it strives for.
Those who have God
Find they lack nothing.
God alone suffices.
Amen.

~St Teresa's Bookmark



This Blessed Weather

How happy have people been in Kingscliff and Pottsville this week, as we have enjoyed glorious sunny days one after another, with nary a cloud in sight? Jesus took a keen interest in the weather. He taught that the sun shone on the evil and the good alike, as the rain did when it fell (reflecting God's universal grace). And when the storm threatened the disciples on the Sea of Galilee Jesus calmed the storm.

As we soak up the goodness of the sunshine we have been blessed with these last days let us be reminded of the goodness of the Creator and our privileged place in Creation, custodians of this planet, the most beautiful and habitable in the known universe [note: the others are all rocks and gases and hostile to life - too hot or cold or with a toxic atmosphere]. On Planet Earth we say : God is good - all the time!!



Rev. Constantine Getting His Voice Back

Its been a quiet week around the Parish with Rev. Constantine recovering from a cold and losing his voice for a day or two. Thanks to Rev. Graeme who stepped in to lead the Wednesday service at St James, and to all who keep the Parish running.

KICK Returns to Reach the Children of God

The first Sunday of every month is KICK day at St James, which means a special service addressed to children - and to the child in us all (even if we are greying a bit).

KICK ("Kids in Church Kingscliff") features special songs and a message about our loving God that reaches young people in a way that they too can enjoy. The joyful service is followed by an Extended Morning Tea (to welcome newcomers to the Church) and a BBQ with sausage sangers for everyone - unless Obie gets there first!

Bring the kids, grandkids and/or great-grandkids!



Spiritual Gym Lindisfarne

The Spiritual Gym service at Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School brings people from all over the Tweed together in worship in the school chapel. It's an uplifting service with young people's involvement, often in the form of musical accompaniment to worship. So much God-given talent at that school! All are welcome. The service starts at 5pm, with afternoon tea served from 4.30 pm.

Lyndon's Testimony at June Contemporary Worship Service

The message at next weeks CWS service (5 pm Sunday 14 June), will be delivered by Rev. Lyndon Mulholland, Senior Chaplain of Lindisfarne Grammar, who will give his testimony about how he came to faith. Following hard on the heels of Pastor Adrian's talk on his faith journey last week, its encouraging to hear of the many ways God has reached into people's lives and hearts and called them to Him. Praise the Lord for His merciful gift of salvation, whoever we may be!

Parish Council to Meet at St Mark's

Parish Council will meet on June 10. For those who like to keep abreast of Parish Admin matters the minutes will be available in the foyer of both Churches the following week

No Monday Bible Study on the King's Birthday

There will be no Bible Study at Adrienne's place in Cudgen this Monday due to the public holiday. Adrienne reports that she plans to enjoy the break making use of the extra free time to "just loll about". Enjoy the break Adrienne!

The Tweed Christian Men's Muster

The Tweed Christian Men's Muster is a gathering of Christian men who meet to discuss men's issues once a month. Its always a lively and fascinating conversation as those present share their experience and perspective on significant matters, including faith, politics, society, and relationships. If you'd like to join the group as they meet at one another's houses for discussion and a meal (just as they did in the early days of the Church), please get in touch.



Contact Peter Pine on 0407 732 440. Do so in plenty of time so that whoever the host is that week knows how many are coming to dinner.

Dates for the Year Ahead

June

Sun 7/6 Spiritual Gym, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, 4.30pm

Sat 20/06 Alpha Course, Holy Spirit Day

Friday/Sun 26-28 Synod in Coffs Harbour

July

Sat 11/7 Faithfulness in Service Workshop, All Saints Murwillumbah 9am-12pm

18/7 Tweed Network meeting, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School 11.30am

25/7 Hope Walk for Hope Vale Indigenous Education, from Kingscliff to Pottsville, departing at 12noon and finishing at Pottsville with Evening Prayer, Community BBQ & Curries.

August

Sun 2/08 Spiritual Gym, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, 4.30pm

September

Sun, 6/9 Spiritual Gym, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, 4.30pm

Sat 19/9 Safe Church Ministry Training, Lismore

October

Sat 17/10 Tweed Network Prayer Day (St James Kingscliff)

Sun 18/10 Bishop Murray's Parish Pastoral Visit with confirmations of students from Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School.

November

Sun 1/11 Spiritual Gym, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, 4.30pm

Sat 28 Parish Festive Christmas Market

December

Sun 6/12 Spiritual Gym, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, 4.30pm

PROGRAM
ALL SAINTS MURWILLUMBAH
ORGAN CENTENARY



Saturday 13th &
Sunday 14th June 2026

All Saints Anglican Church Organ Centenary

Hymnifest

12 of your favourite hymns,
for congregational singing
and an aria from "Elijah"
with Lindisfarne School
choir

Organ and Choral Concert



**Warren Whitney,
organist.**

**Ian Holston, vocal soloist,
with Ayesha Gough**

Optional rehearsal, 1 pm



Guest organist Phillip Gearing

**Murwillumbah
Philharmonic Choir
and Chillingham Voices**

Conductor, Darren Postema

**Saturday June 13
3 pm**

**Sunday June 14
2 pm**

**All Saints Anglican Church
Byangum Road, Murwillumbah
Admission by donation**

Prayer of the Week

O Lord,
from whom alone all good
things come:
grant that by your holy
inspiration
we may think those things
that are good,
and by your merciful
guiding may perform them;
through our Lord Jesus
Christ.
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.

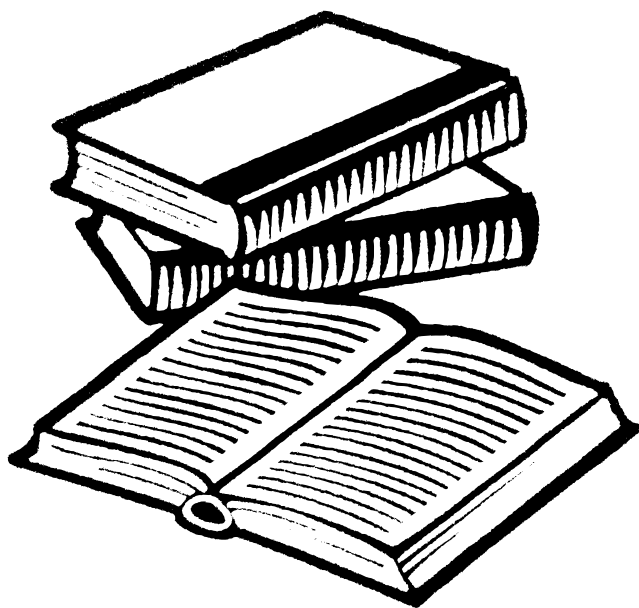
Parish Food Ministry

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 - 67 meals

St Marks - 63 meals

Praise be to God!



Sunday Worship Readings

Sunday 7 June 2026

Genesis 12 v 1-9

Psalms 33 v 1-12

Romans 4 v 13-25

Matthew 9 v 9-13, 18-26

Sunday 14 June 2026

Genesis 18 v 1-15

Psalms 116 v 1-2, 11-18

Romans 5 v 1-11

Matthew 9 v 35-10.8

Service Schedule

St James @ 8.30am

Sunday 7th May 2026

Officiant & Preacher:

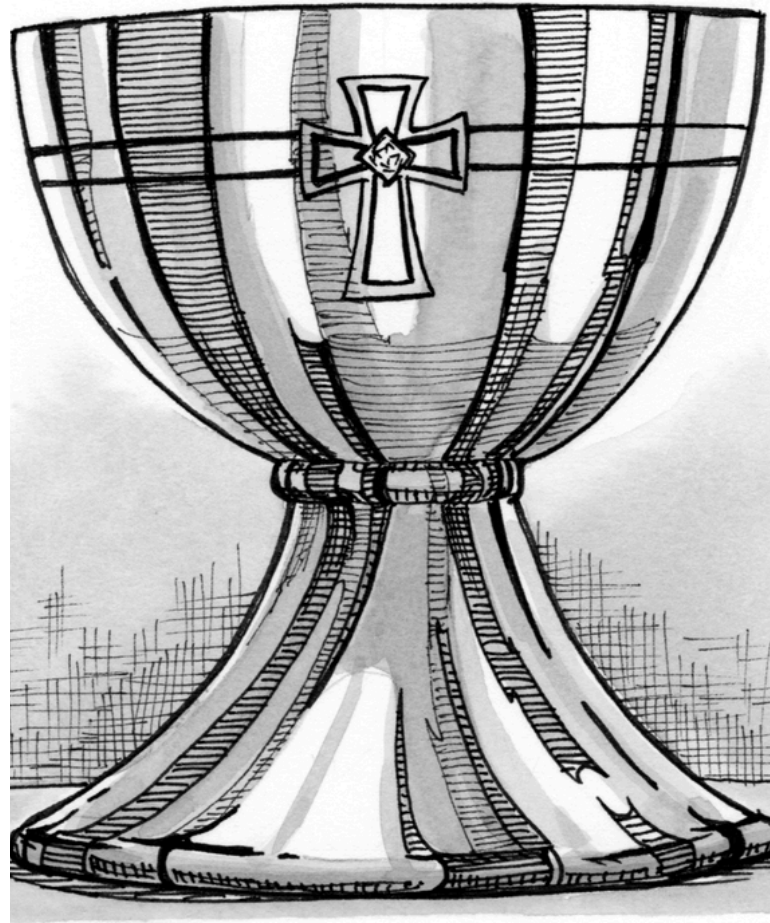
Rev. Graeme Hodgkinson

St Marks @ 10.30am

Sunday 7th May 2026

Officiant & Preacher:

Rev. Graeme Hodgkinson



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Parish Calendar for June 2026

Mondays

- U3A Art Group – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–12:00pm
- Evening Prayer – St James Kingscliff, 5:15pm–5:30pm
- Soup Kitchen, St James Kingscliff from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Tuesdays

- Meals Handout – St Mark's Pottsville 11:00am–1:00pm
- Justice of the Peace -St Mark's Pottsville 9:00am -12:00pm
- AA Meeting – St James Kingscliff, 7:30pm
- Pottsville Community Association – Last Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm
- Holy Communion Service 12.30pm at St Marks

Wednesdays

- Holy Communion/Eucharist – St James Kingscliff, 10:00am
- *Lectio Divina*, (Holy Reading of the Bible) St. James Hall, 11:30 am to 12 noon
- Ecumenical Bible Study -St Mark's Pottsville 10:00am, Fortnightly
- Christian Meditation -St James Kingscliff, 4pm, Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89184784092?pwd=TFI3eWc1UXM0b3VVZnR5bkMxUIM1Zz09>

Meeting ID: 891 8478 4092 Passcode: 516345

- ZOOM in to pray with fellow parishioners for peace and for the material and spiritual needs of all in our communities. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/84084825835?pwd=aPSm1tk4mn4GW9BiAHTkIIBNBfHFaE.1>

Meeting ID: 840 8482 5835 **Passcode:** K9D1Z4

Thursdays

- Ladies Craft Group – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–12:00pm
- Meals Handout – St James Kingscliff, 11:00am–1:00pm
- AA Meeting – St Mark's Pottsville, 6:00pm

Fridays

- Making Art Group – St. Mark's, Pottsville, 10:00am to 2:00pm
- Making Art Group – St James, Kingscliff, 1:00pm to 4:00pm
- **Sing to Connect Choir** 9.30 - 10.45. In the church. All welcome. Wendy Hawkins 0421651524

Saturdays

- Community Garden Club – St Mark's Pottsville, 9:00am–11:00am
- Sister Suzie's Sewing Circle – 10 Guilfoyle Plc, Cudgen, 1:00pm–3:00pm
- Seven-Day Adventist Church at St Mark's, 9.00am -1.00pm
- Healing Service (Book of Common Prayer) -St James Kingscliff, 5pm (1st Saturday)

Sundays

- Holy Communion/Eucharist, St James Kingscliff, 8:30am
- Holy Communion/Eucharist, St Mark's Pottsville, 10:30am
- Contemporary Service, 5pm, St James Kingscliff, every second Sunday of the month

Upcoming Events:

- **Sat June 6th**, Healing Service at St James Parish Hall at 5:00 pm
- **Sun, June 7th**, Spiritual Gym, Lindisfarne, 4.30pm refreshments, 5.00 pm Service.
- **Wed June 10th**, Parish Council Meeting at St Mark's Meeting Room at 5:30 pm.