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Higher

“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.

Going Home

Letter from Constantine

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Courage to Be Saints

"We are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2).

We usually celebrate All Saints Feast on November 1 annually. What is a saint and how can we become a saint? The saint is not someone in whom everyone sees God, but the one who sees God in everyone. Saints are those who put their trust in God, live with courage, and let God's grace transform them into signs of divine love. *Hebrews 12: 1 reminds us that "we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses..."* And so, these 'cloud of witnesses' are never far away from us, both in life and in death.

There's an old story of Rabbi Yehuda of Prague, famed for creating the Golem. One night he dreamed he had died and stood before the throne of God. When the angel read out the names of those welcomed into the Kingdom, Yehuda's name was not among them. He wept bitterly, and the angel said, "I have called your name—but you did not hear it." The angel explained that every person's true name is written in the book of life, but some never recognize their name when God calls because they never truly knew who they were. Yehuda awoke and prayed, "Master of the Universe, grant me before I die to hear my true name on the lips of my brothers and sisters."

Have we heard our own true name? A palliative nurse, Bronnie Ware, once said the most common regret she heard from the dying was: "I wish I had the courage to live the life I was meant to live."

To be a saint is to hear your true name and respond to God's call with courage.

There is no single pattern of holiness. Saints (canonized or not) are as diverse as humanity itself – from Mother Teresa to St James, from St Thérèse of Lisieux to St Mark's and St John Vianney, and the 'Saints next door'. Why not also Constantine, Mary, Peter, Joe, Bev, and all of us here today?

Rainer Maria Rilke wrote:

"Flare up like a flame and make big shadows I can move in... Give me your hand." God calls each of us: Embody me. Live me in the world. Give me your hand.

Leon Bloy puts it very powerfully, "the greatest tragedy is not to become saints" – not to live up to our God-given potential. So let us take courage. Open the doors of our hearts. Let God's love in us set the world ablaze. Let us, like the saints, make God the sole reason for our being, and so call others to salvation and fullness of life (cf. John 10:10)

Let us pray for the grace and courage to be saints -in other words, to be authentic witnesses of God's grace, and bearers of His love and joy in our world of today.

God loves you all and so do I.

In Christ

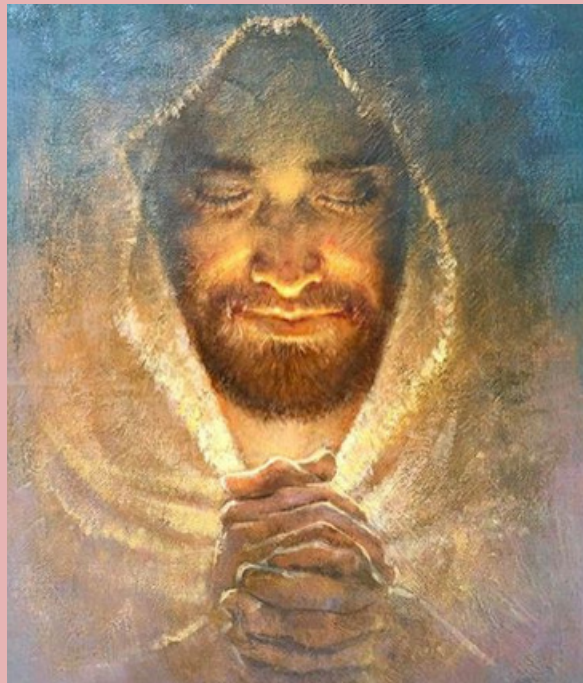
Constantine



BENEDICTION

"Glorious Lord, I give you greeting!
Let the church and the chancel praise you,
Let the chancel and the church praise you,
Let the plain and the hillside praise you,
Let the world's three well-springs praise you,
Two above wind and one above land,
Let the dark and the daylight praise you.
Abraham, founder of the faith, praised you:
Let the life everlasting praise you,
Let the birds and honeybees praise you,
Let the shorn Stems and shoots praise you.
Both Aaron and Moses praised you:
Let the male and the female praise you,
Let the air and the ether praise you,
Let the books and the letters praise you,
Let the fish in the swift streams praise you,
Let the thought and the action praise you,
Let the sand-grains and earth-clods praise you,
Let all the good that's performed praise you.
And I shall praise you, Lord of glory:
Glorious Lord, I give you greeting!"

Translated by Joseph P Clancy. 'The Earliest Welsh Poetry' (Macmillan, 1970)



John Wells Farewelled

Longtime parishioner, and dearly beloved of our own Leonie, John Wells was farewelled at St James on Thursday, 30 October in a dignified funeral service led by Rev. Constantine. Eulogies given by John's family and friends confirmed John as a man who had lived a faithful Christian life, meeting the challenges life presents with humility, grace and the strength our faith provides. Hearing tells of his enthusiasm for trains, travel and the many uses of "occy" straps, those who gathered to remember John, left encouraged by his life of devotion and uplifted by the knowledge that he has gone to be with the Lord.

The presence of many parishioners who'd known John, both for a long and short time, was a welcome sign of the loving family that is our Church community.



Men's Breakfast on Sat 1 Nov



The Ecumenical Men's Breakfast is on again this Saturday, from 8 am. Bacon, eggs, toast and coffee are not the only nourishment on offer: we'll be getting to know Father Paul McDonald of the Catholic Church in Kingscliff a bit better, as he speaks about his long life and ministry in the Tweed area.

Spiritual Gym on Sunday, 2 November

Lindisfarne's Spiritual Gym service is being held in the School Chapel from 5 pm on Sunday Nov 2. The school's usual generous offering of a sumptuous afternoon tea will be served from 4.30 pm so why not get there early and enjoy a time of fellowship with other Christians from all over the Tweed? Highly recommended.

Christmas Market Planning



Only 22 sleeps to go until the Christmas Market Day! The next meeting of the Planning Group will be in the Parish Hall after the service on Sunday.

Raewyn reports that the clothing and tool donations have reached full capacity, so no more contributions please! She also reminds everyone to get their money and ticket butts back to her and take another book if they can.



Monday Soup Kitchen

6:00 pm Monday every week



Free Community Meal Served with LOVE
St James Church Hall, Kingscliff
All Welcome!



Anglican Parish of Kingscliff

(1965-2025)

A celebration of
60 years of God's love
& faithfulness

"I have loved you with an everlasting love"
Jeremiah 31:3

You are invited

Wednesday, 3 December 2025

Time 2:00 pm, starting from
St James Kingscliff

Event 'Hope walk' in support of
Indigenous Education

St Mark's Pottsville

Time 5:30 pm

Event Evening Prayer and
Community BBQ

Location Community Garden at
St Marks

Friday, 5 December 2025

St James Kingscliff

Time 10:00 am

Event Holy Communion

Followed by Parish Brunch and
"Q & A with the Bishop"

RSVP e: office@apok.org.au
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Event Details

"We want to invite you to join us in the **Elijah House Transforming Hearts Seminar** – *A one-day event for every believer no matter your age or stage of life*

Elijah House Ministries Australia presents

TRANSFORMING HEARTS



Saturday 1 November, 2025

9am - 5pm

Hosted by



56 Caloola Drive, Tweed Heads

Cost \$75

Morning & Afternoon Tea Provided
Please BYO lunch or support a local food outlet
Parking Available

email info@elijahhouse.com.au for more information



Keynote Speaker:
Debbie Ferris
Elijah House National Director

Sessions Cover

- Identifying Bitter Roots, Inner Vows & Foundational Lies
- How We See God
- Honour
- Forgiveness
- Walking Out Your Freedom

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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

God our Father,
whose will it is to bring all
things to order
and unity in our Lord Jesus
Christ:
may all the peoples of the
world,
now divided and torn apart by
sin,
be brought together under his
sovereign rule of love;
through 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.

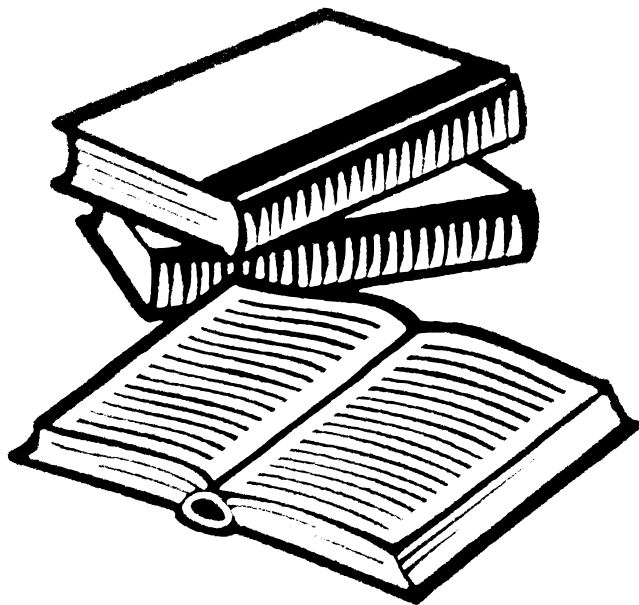
Parish Food Ministry

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 - 51 meals

St Marks - 21 meals

Praise be to God!



Sunday Worship Readings

Sunday 2 November 2025

Daniel 7 v1-3,15-18

Psalms 149

Ephesians 1 v11-23

Luke 6 v20-31

Sunday 9 November 2025

Haggai 1. v15 - 2v - 9

Psalms 98

2 Thessalonians 2 v1-5, 13-17

Luke 20 v27 - 40

Service Schedule

St James

Sunday 2 November 2025

8.30am

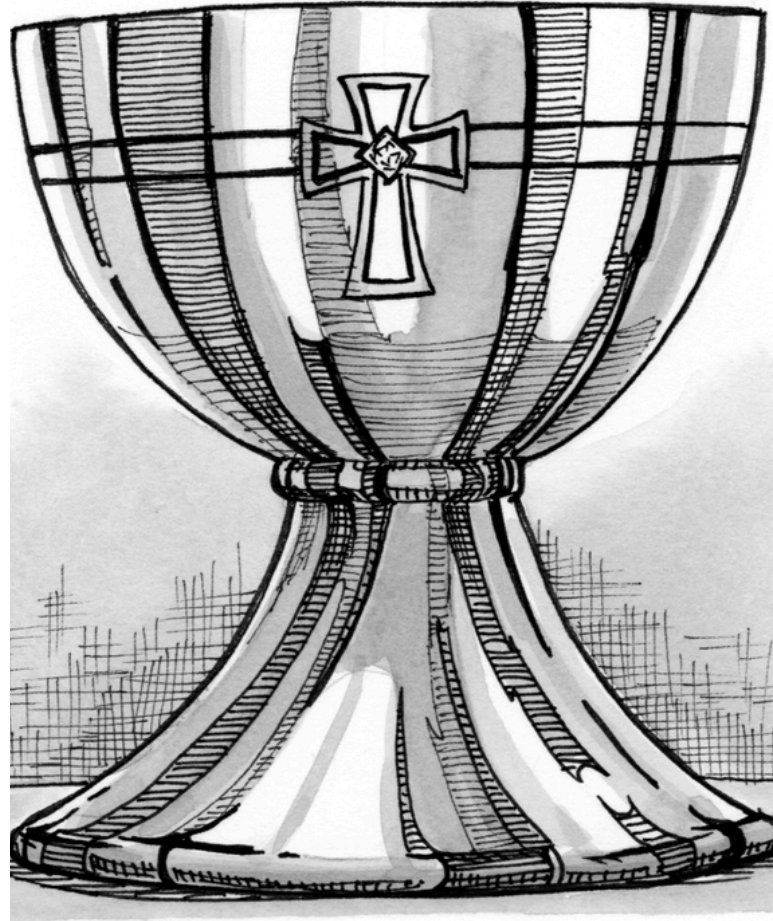
Rev. Constantine Osuchukwu

St Marks

Sunday 2 November 2025

10.30am

Rev. Constantine Osuchukwu



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Parish Calendar for November 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

Ecumenical Men's Breakfast - Saturday, 1 November at 8 am at St. James Parish Hall
BCP Healing Service, Saturday, 1 November at St James Kingscliff, at 5pm.
Spiritual Gym -2 November at 4:30 pm at Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School Chapel
Parish Council Meeting -Wednesday, 12 November at 5:30 pm at St. James
Parish Market Day - Saturday, 22 November at St James Parish Grounds
Parish 60th Anniversary Celebrations -3rd and 5th December 2025