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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

VIGIL:

KINGSCLIFF 5:00pm

SUNDAY:

POTTSVILLE 7:30am

KINGSCLIFF 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

TUESDAY: POTTSVILLE NO MASS

WEDNESDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

THURSDAY: KINGSCLIFF 9:00AM

FRIDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

RECONCILIATION TIMES

SATURDAY: KINGSCLIFF 4—4:30pm

SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7—7:25am

28th April 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, Year B.

The true vine that feeds us

In these weeks after Easter and before the feasts of Ascension and Pentecost, our gospel readings come from Jesus' farewell discourses in the Gospel of John. These are the teachings which Jesus shared with his disciples in that precious time just before his arrest and crucifixion.

His teachings offered solace to his disciples who were soon to endure his passion and death. We now read and ponder them in the light of his resurrection and Ascension. They also offer comfort to us in our time and place, as we face life's challenges and sorrows.

Last week, the gospel recounted Jesus telling the disciples that he is the Good Shepherd, who knows his sheep by name, who cares for them and protects them, and whose love and care are so great that he lays down his life for his sheep. This image of the Good Shepherd and his sheep describes a relationship of steadfast love and care.

This week, Jesus describes his relationship to his followers differently, this time in terms of a vine and its branches. This image highlights the intimacy, interconnection, mutuality and reciprocity of the relationship of Jesus to us, of Jesus to the Father, and of Jesus and the Father to us, individually and as a community.

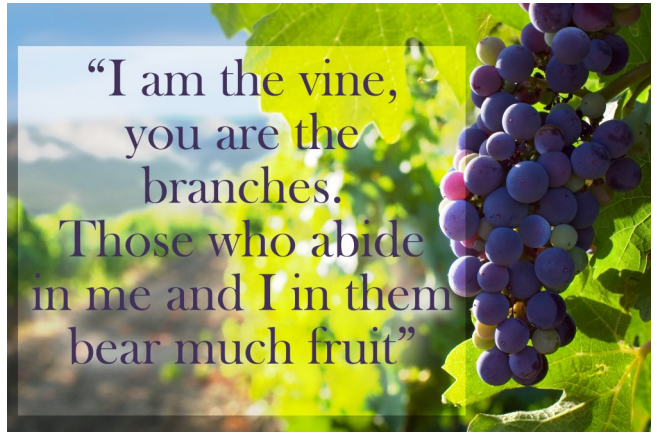
Jesus explains that he is the true vine, the Father is the vine grower, and we are the branches. The image reminds us that we, just like the vine and its branches, rely on each other in order to bear fruit. But, most important of all, Jesus urges us: "Abide in me as I abide in you." To abide means to remain, to stay, to dwell, to make a home in, to endure, and to hold fast. This notion of 'abiding' is of utmost importance in John's Gospel. (Even in today's short reading this word, abide, occurs 8 times.)

Jesus is very clear: this abiding is essential and core to our relationship with him. It is this abiding in him and he in us that will result in great fruitfulness. The fruits will be life-giving fruits, internal as well as external, for us personally and for the community. They will be peace, freedom, justice, joy, and the flourishing of creation.

What then is the call and the challenge for us? It is to nurture our relationship with Jesus. This is the discipleship to which he calls us: it is abiding in him, keeping company with him, living in daily conversation with him. We are called to a life-long process of entering ever more deeply into this relationship with him, learning to abide in his love, and learning to love one another as God has loved us. It is learning to live like that every day!

And, in the process, we will gradually come to better see the world, ourselves, other people, and whatever situations we face with our hearts and minds attuned to his.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 29th April—**St. Catherine of Siena**, virgin, doctor
Thursday 2nd May—**St. Athanasius**, bishop, doctor
Friday 3rd May—**Sts. Philip and James**, apostles

SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER, Year B, 2024

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 97; 1 John 4: 7-10-; John 15: 9-17



MONTH OF MAY

In celebrating the annual cycle of Christ's mysteries, the Church honours with special love **Mary, the Mother of God**, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. The month of May includes several Marian Feasts and is a special time of honour and devotion to Mary.

CONSECRATING HOMES TO THE SACRED HEART

The Legion of Mary invites anyone wishing to have their home consecrated to the Sacred Heart to please write your name and contact details on the sheet at the back of the church.

Dedication at St. Anthony's Church Kingscliff by Fr. John Darbyshire at the 8am Mass on Wednesday, 5th June.



ROSARY IN THE PARK

Wednesday 8th May 10.30am, Faulks Park, Kingscliff

Hosted by The Legion of Mary.
BRING A CHAIR



FUNERALS THIS COMING WEEK

Tuesday 2.30pm Requiem Mass for Patricia Connor

Wednesday 10.30am Funeral Service for Alan McIntosh

FROZEN HOME COOKED MEALS, CARE GROUP

The Kingscliff Care Group has frozen meals available for anyone who may be in need of a little extra support for whatever reason. See Marie Moore at the Piety stall or speak with Sherida Sheridan or Catherine Holliday.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED Patricia Connor, Alan McIntosh, Lyn Prince, Shaun Carroll, Dorothy Tooley, Annette O'Connor, Sr Christine Austen RSM, John Larkin, Edward Fanning, Keith Jones

ANNIVERSARIES Keith Mulhall

ALSO John Perkins, Jim Hession, Archie Burns, Kathleen Kearney, Muriel and Dick Reading, Grace and Glad Reading, Mollie Anderson, Mary Stewart, Caroline Cranwell, Clarrie Anderson, Marlene Condon, Jack Byrne, Jack Kelly, Jim Kelly, John Kelly, Mary Kelly, Pat Kelly, Michael Kelly, Margaret Kelly, Bernard Clarke, Les Andrews, Maree Everingham, Maria Andrews, Ray O'Keeffe, Kathleen O'Keeffe, All forgotten Souls in Purgatory, All deceased members of the Legion of Mary throughout the world.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK Robin Potts, Wally Mulder, Matilda Howard, Lesa Kingsbury, Bernard Simpson, Mary Manahan, Laurie Stott, Anthony Kirk, Ed Gaudron, Pip Brown, Kerrie Biddulph, Don Ping Kee, Marie Therese Collins, Martin Fitzhenry, Jayden Paulson, Gerard Paulson, Deborah Craig, Kathleen Conaghan, Patricia O'Farrell, Marie McConnell.

Names removed after a considerable time. Please assist the parish office by advising if you wish names to remain.

BAPTISMS

We welcome Hugh Fahy and Jagger, Maddox and Parker England, baptised this weekend at St. Anthony's Church.

Let us, as a community, ask our Lord Jesus Christ to look lovingly on these children baptised today, and on the parents, sponsors and on all the baptised.



SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PARENT/CHILD MEETING

St. Ambrose School—6pm, Monday 6th May.
St. Anthony's School—6pm, Tuesday 7th May.



Holy Communion Commitment Mass Weekend

Parish/School Masses of 18th/19th May at both churches

SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS TRAINING THURSDAY, 23RD MAY

Morning Tea: 10.00am

Training 10.30AM-12.00PM in the Parish Meeting Room.



Christine Thompson, Diocesan Safeguarding Education and Compliance Officer, will be visiting our parish to present **updated Safeguarding Awareness Training** for volunteers who have not yet completed training and anyone else wishing to update their training at this presentation.

A certificate will be issued for all volunteers attending the course.

*** This is an excellent opportunity to be updated on safeguarding issues and our responsibilities as parish volunteers***

Please write your name on the Safeguarding training list at the back of the church or email parkings@bigpond.com if you can attend.

ST. ANTHONY'S COLUMBARIUM

A respectful resting place for the ashes of our deceased parishioners, family and friends, the Columbarium is located behind St. Anthony's Church.



*** There will be a price increase from 1st July 2024.**

Payment by instalments can be arranged. For more information phone the Parish Office or email parkings@bigpond.com

MORNING TEA TO CELEBRATE FR. JOHN'S 80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.



THANK YOU

I wish to thank you for celebrating with me on my Eightieth Birthday especially with the St Anthony's Family Group and also after the 9am Mass last Sunday. Many prepared refreshments on both occasions and it was much appreciated. Thank you also to many well wishers and cards received.
Fr. John.

MEETINGS/GROUPS

OPALS FAMILY GROUP

GAMES AND LUNCH AT JULIA'S HOUSE

Monday, 29th April, 10.00am
Contact: Julia 0490 672 694

UPCOMING DATES – MAY

FRIDAY 3RD Exposition & Benediction following 8am Mass

WEDNESDAY 8TH:

Rosary in the Park - 10.30am Faulks Park

Holy Hour of Adoration - 6.30pm St. Anthony's Chapel

SUNDAY 12TH Mothers Day

THURSDAY 23RD Safeguarding Awareness Training

—Christine Thompson, Diocesan Safeguarding Education and Compliance Officer
10.30am—12pm Parish Meeting Room (Morning Tea 10.00am)

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| BAPTISM WELCOMER 28th April | Cheryl French |
| BAPTISM/PREP WELCOMER 5th May | Angela Finkel |
| RECORDING Tuesday 30th April | John Mulhall, Allan Simpson |
| RECORDING Tuesday 7th May | Sharyn McConnell, Margaret Gear |

MASS ROSTER

27th/28th April

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| KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY | |
| ORGANIST | Tara Williams |
| FIRST READER | Kirsty Seckold |
| SECOND READER | Anthony Luxton |
| PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL | Megan Lowe |
| OFFERTORY | Angela Mulhall, Margie Perry |
| HOLY COMMUNION | Robyn Denny, John Mulhall, Helen Gooley |
| HOSPITALITY | Margie Perry |
| DATA SYSTEM | Marty Darragh |
| SACRISTY | Carmel Atkinson, Kath Togo |
| POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM | |
| ORGANIST | Sharyn McConnell |
| FIRST READER | Peter Smith |
| SECOND READER | Amanda Bottle |
| PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL | Julie Ross |
| OFFERTORY | Blacklock Family |
| HOLY COMMUNION | Tim Edwards |
| HOSPITALITY | Smith Family |
| DATA SYSTEM | Anna Caton |
| FLOWERS | Sharyn McConnell |
| SACRISTY | Michael Carney |
| KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM | |
| ORGANIST | Frances Ord |
| FIRST READER | Cheryl French |
| SECOND READER | Josephine Hortle |
| PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL | Michael Craven |
| OFFERTORY | Faye McCoach, Julia Burns |
| HOLY COMMUNION | Shane Martin, Helen Reynolds, Lorraine Craven |
| HOSPITALITY | Julianne & Stewart Barlogio, Shyne Mupunga |
| DATA SYSTEM | Olive Ledger |
| SACRISTY | Trish Spillane |

MASS ROSTER

4th/5th May

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| KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY | |
| ORGANIST | Antonia Pratt |
| FIRST READER | Helen Gooley |
| SECOND READER | Carmel Atkinson |
| PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL | Robyn Denny |
| OFFERTORY | Rina & Lawrence Anderson |
| HOLY COMMUNION | Shane Martin, Teonie Flynn, tba |
| HOSPITALITY | Angela Mulhall |
| DATA SYSTEM | Megan Gollan |
| SACRISTY | Carmel Atkinson, Kath Togo |
| POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM | |
| ORGANIST | Sharyn McConnell |
| FIRST READER | Margaret Gear |
| SECOND READER | Margaret Potts |
| PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL | Peter McConnell |
| OFFERTORY | Smith Family |
| HOLY COMMUNION | Marie Stott |
| HOSPITALITY | Julie Ross |
| DATA SYSTEM | Robyn Edwards |
| FLOWERS | Marie Stott |
| SACRISTY | Amanda Bottle |
| KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM | |
| ORGANIST | Janet Blandford |
| FIRST READER | Adam Gallagher |
| SECOND READER | Trish Spillane |
| PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL | Mary Rawson |
| OFFERTORY | Joan Prichard, Yvonne Potts |
| HOLY COMMUNION | Lynne Bermingham, Julianne Barlogio, Angela Finkel |
| HOSPITALITY | Holliday Family, Peter Byrne |
| DATA SYSTEM | Margaret Hession |
| SACRISTY | Craig Moore |

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

FIRST READING — Acts 9:26-31

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

- 1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever! R.*
- 2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. R.*
- 3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' R.*

SECOND READING — 1 John 3:18-24

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL — John 15:1-8

by Liturgia



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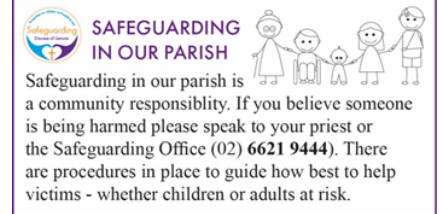
SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

The April newsletter is available at both churches and on the parish website.

Pick up a booklet on

ONLINE SAFETY & CYBERBULLYING at the church.

Many more resources online at www.esafety.gov.au



SCHOOLS' NEWSLETTER

Diocese of Lismore Catholic Schools is pleased to present the newest edition of its newsletter. To read the latest in Catholic education, please use this QR code or this link: <https://bit.ly/4d8u6v5>



DONATION POINT

St. Anthony's Church has a Donation Point Tap facility at the back of the Church. Your donation goes directly to the second collection which assists the Parish to meet its ever increasing commitments. **Your donation is appreciated.**



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Week of April 28, 2024



Catholic Theological College

Sign up for one of 9 online sessions

**Engaging Your Faith
May 2024**

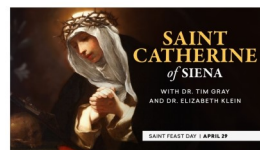
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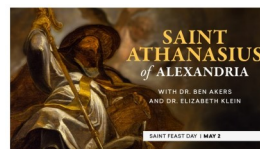
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Who is St. Catherine of Siena?

In light of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein, as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influence who became a doctor of the Church.



Saint Athanasius of Alexandria | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein as they discuss the early Church Father, St. Athanasius. A bishop and Doctor of the Church, St. Athanasius is remembered as the great defender of the Nicene Creed. He was exiled five times from his own diocese under four different emperors. A great teacher, his writings are accessible to both beginners and experts in theology, writing works that serve different needs in the Church.

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

RECONCILIATION: *Kingscliff: Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30pm Pottsville: Sunday: 7:00 – 7:25am*

LEGION OF MARY: Meet each Wednesday at 8:30am after Mass, in the parish meeting room.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION: Fortnightly Wednesday at 6:30pm at St. Anthony's Chapel. **Next Adoration: 8th May**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL : Meet on the 2nd & 4th Friday of each month, after 8:00am Mass, in the parish meeting room.

ROSARY: *Kingscliff:* Before each Mass. *Pottsville:* Before Sunday Mass.

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION: *Kingscliff:* 1st Friday/month, 8:00am Mass followed by Exposition and Benediction