

St Anthony's Parish

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Fr. John Darbyshire

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

VIGIL: KINGSCLIFF 6:00pm

SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7:30am

KINGSCLIFF 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

TUESDAY: POTTSVILLE **NO MASS**

WEDNESDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

THURSDAY: KINGSCLIFF **NO MASS**

FRIDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

RECONCILIATION TIMES

SATURDAY: KINGSCLIFF 5-5:30pm

SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7-7:25am

19th January 2025

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year C.

A new wine for our age

Of all Jesus' miracles, we might think his turning water into wine is the least significant. However, for John, this miracle at the wedding feast of Cana takes pride of place as the first of the 'signs' given by Jesus.



Other 'signs' in John's gospel include healing miracles, feeding the 5,000, Jesus walking on water and raising Lazarus from the dead. While John acknowledges there were "many other signs," he chooses these seven 'signs' so "you may believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name" (Jn. 20:30).

Each of these miracle-signs is a foretaste of the single, great miracle of Jesus' resurrection. So, what lessons can we draw from the wedding feast of Cana? First, this is the only recorded miracle that Jesus performed for friends and family. Elsewhere, he seems to dismiss any special significance for family: "Whoever does the will of my Father in Heaven is my brother and sister and mother" (Mtt. 12:50). On another occasion, when returning to Nazareth, we are told Jesus was so "amazed by their lack of faith ... he could work no miracles there" (Mk 6:5f.).

Second, there is the extraordinary interchange between Jesus and his mother, Mary. It is Mary who confronts her son with the problem: "They have no wine!" We need to note, at this point, Jesus had not given any indication of special powers. Next, we cannot help but notice Jesus' annoyance in stating his time had not yet come. But Mary, unperturbed, tells the waiter: "Do whatever he tells you." We know the rest of the story: Jesus not only turns water into wine, but it is the best possible wine.

The human dimension of this story is compelling. Jesus and his disciples know how to celebrate life. No doubt they told yarns, sang songs and danced well into the night. But the time would come when they would face a crisis and be asked to lay down their lives. Interestingly, the next time we hear of Mary in John's gospel is at Jesus' crucifixion. Just as Mary is present to witness the beginning of Jesus' public life at Cana, she is also there to witness what is, for John, the birth of the Church at Calvary.

We are similarly living in a time of transition – what Pope Francis calls a "change of era" – when the old wine is running out. Like Mary, we are asked to place our vulnerable trust in Jesus who, with the gift of the Spirit, is the new wine for our age.

Like the first disciples and early Christians, we know we live in a time of human and political crisis that also embroils society and church. We can only but trust in God who alone is able to turn the water of our fears into the new wine of God's creative presence and enduring love.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Tuesday, 21st January—St. Agnes, virgin, martyr

Friday, 24th January—St. Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor

Saturday, 25th January—The Conversion of St. Paul, apostle

Australia Day, Year C

Isaiah 32:15-18; Psalm 84; Romans 12:9-13; Matthew 5:1-12

NOTHING ORDINARY ABOUT ORDINARY TIME

“Ordinary Time” means that the Sundays after the seasons of Christmas and Easter are counted in order, using *ordinal* numbers. There is no such thing as “ordinary time” in Christian worship. Gathering as the body of Christ to offer praise and worship to God is always something extra-ordinary!



The green of Ordinary Time points to our Christian hope and life as we celebrate the presence of God in the normal, day-to-day patterns of human life. During this time of the Church’s year, we devote ourselves to exploring Christian discipleship in all its aspects and entering into the mystery of Christ in its fullness.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Fr. John Darbyshire, Fr. Nicolas Maurice and Fr. Michael Nilon for celebrating Masses this weekend and last weekend while Fr. Paul is away.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Greg and Jenny Holland who celebrate 50 years of marriage on 18th January.

AUSTRALIA DAY will be celebrated at all our weekend Masses in the parish on 25th/26th January.

WEDGETAIL RAFFLE

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LUCKY WINNER

DANNY BLASHAK

Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets.

Shirley and Monica are pleased to advise that the raffle raised **\$800** for Wedgetail.



Shirley and Monica urgently need small jars. Please check your cupboards and bring in your empty jars. Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED Maria Do Thi Vu

ANNIVERSARIES Edna Murray, Joe Bonett, Maree Everingham, Marie Morrissey, Marcia Reading, Geoff Condon, Cec Bernasconi

ALSO Jim Hession, Muriel & Dick Reading, Grace & Glad Reading, Kath Kearney, John & Mary McDonald, Archie Burns, John Perkins, Philippa Brown, Frank & Judy Mills, Clarrie Anderson, Mollie Anderson, Domenica Giacomini, Mary Stewart, Caroline Cranwell, Bernard and Marcia Clarke, Marlene Condon, Jack Byrne, Jack Kelly, Jim Kelly, John Kelly, Mary Kelly, Jim Kelly, Pat Kelly, Michael Kelly, Margaret Kelly, Les Andrews, Maria Andrews, Ray O’Keeffe, Kathleen O’Keeffe, Fr. Tom McEvoy, All forgotten Souls in Purgatory, All deceased members of Legion of Mary throughout the world.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK Mike Roberts, Leone Simpson, Dean Simpson, Dacey Schiemer, Peterson Family, Beryl Moore, Deborah Craig, Tara Selvakumaraswamy, James Heath, Kathleen Conaghan, Peter Gelhaar, Bill Ward, Matilda Howard, Lesa Kingsbury, Mary Manahan, Ed Gaudron, Kerrie Biddulph, Don Ping Kee, Marie Therese Collins, Martin Fitzhenry, Jayden Paulson, Gerard Paulson, Patricia O’Farrell. Special prayers for Ella (6yrs).

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

JUBILEE YEAR—PILGRIMS OF HOPE

What is the Jubilee?

The concept of Jubilee is rooted in the **Old Testament**, where every 50th year was a year of rest and liberation for the Israelites, signalling hope for new beginnings.



The Catholic tradition of Jubilee years began in **1300**, when **Pope Boniface VIII** declared the first **Holy Year**. **At that time, many Christians made the pilgrimage to Rome** to celebrate the birth of Jesus but not everyone could make the journey so the introduction of a Holy Year enabled all to partake spiritually in the blessings of such a pilgrimage. Initially, celebrated every 100 years, then 50 years until **Pope Paul II** introduced the practice of celebrating them every 25 years (from 1450). Jubilees are significant moments in the Church’s history, offering Catholics an opportunity for deepening faith through prayer, pilgrimage, and acts of charity.

Extraordinary Jubilee years, can be called at any time by the Pope. The most recent being the Jubilee **Year of Mercy (2015-2016)**, called by **Pope Francis** to emphasise forgiveness and compassion.

Shrines for the Jubilee in our Diocese

- St. Carthage’s Cathedral, Lismore
- Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Murwillumbah
- St. Augustine’s Catholic Church, Coffs Harbour
- St. Agnes’ Catholic Church, Port Macquarie

CARE GROUP—HOME-COOKED MEALS

The Kingscliff Care Group has frozen meals available for anyone who may be in need of a little extra support. See Marie Moore at the Piety stall or contact the Parish Office on (02) 6674 1284 or email parkings@bigpond.com



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MEETINGS/GROUPS

SEEKERS FAMILY GROUP MORNING TEA

When: Sunday, 19th January at 10.15am
 Where: Mocking Bird Café, 4 Seaview St, Kingscliff
 Contact: Jenny 0407 904 402

LITURGY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 12th February at 3.30pm, Meeting Room

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 12th February at 5pm, Meeting Room

UPCOMING DATES

No Tuesday Masses at Pottsville until 18th February at 9.15am

No Thursday Masses at Kingscliff until 6th February at 9.00am

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 2ND

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
 weekend Masses in parish.
 Blessing of candles (Candlemas)

SUNDAY 9TH

ST AMBROSE PARISH/SCHOOL MASS
 Staff commissioning
 7.30am — Pottsville
 THE WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

SUNDAY 16TH

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH/SCHOOL MASS
 Staff commissioning
 9.00am — Kingscliff

SATURDAY 22ND

WINE & CHEESE NIGHT

MARCH

WEDNESDAY 5TH

ASH WEDNESDAY

FRIDAY 7TH

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

“The liturgy creates a universe brimming with fruitful spiritual life, and allows the soul to wander about in it at will to develop itself there”

From *The Spirit of the Liturgy* by Fr Romano Guardini.

DONATION POINT

St Anthony's Church has a donation tap facility. Donations go directly to the 2nd collection which assists the Parish to meet its ever increasing commitments.

Your donation is appreciated.



BAPTISM WELCOMER	No Baptisms in January
BAPTISM PREPARATION WELCOMER Sunday 2 nd Feb	Angela Finkel
RECORDING Tuesday 21 st Jan	John Mulhall, Clare Perkins
RECORDING Tuesday 28 th Jan	Sharyn McConnell, Margaret Gear

MASS ROSTER

18th/19th January

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 6:00PM	
GUITARIST	Vanya Ricciuti
FIRST READER	Anthony Luxton
SECOND READER	Kerri Olson
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Carmel Atkinson
OFFERTORY	Carmel Bushell, Marty Darragh
HOLY COMMUNION	Helen Gooley, Peter McLoughlin, Shane Martin
HOSPITALITY	Angela Mulhall, Denise DeVene
DATA SYSTEM	Helen LeFebvre
SACRISTY	Carmel Atkinson
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READER	Michael Carney
SECOND READER	Margaret Gear
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Marie Stott
OFFERTORY	Smith Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Peter McConnell
HOSPITALITY	Anna Caton
DATA SYSTEM	Deborah Wilmoth
FLOWERS	Sharyn McConnell
SACRISTY	Patrick Butler
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	Janet Blandford
FIRST READER	Angela Finkel
SECOND READER	Michael Craven
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Jenny Gardner
OFFERTORY	Anne Smits, Yvonne Potts
HOLY COMMUNION	Desiree DeAzevedo, Mary & John Rawson
HOSPITALITY	Peggy Johnson, Mary Swanson, Terry Sheridan
DATA SYSTEM	Maya Rogers
SACRISTY	Trish Spillane

MASS ROSTER

25th/26th January

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 6:00PM	
ORGANIST	Tara Williams
FIRST READER	Tania Rogers
SECOND READER	Kim Dixon
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Teresa McCloud
OFFERTORY	Rina & Lawrence Anderson
HOLY COMMUNION	Maya Rogers, Kath Togo, Helen Bryan
HOSPITALITY	Carmel Bushell, Shirley Burns
DATA SYSTEM	Helen LeFebvre
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Carmel Atkinson
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READER	Peter Smith
SECOND READER	Peter McConnell
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Deborah Wilmoth
OFFERTORY	Bottle Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Tim Edwards
HOSPITALITY	Colleen Smith
DATA SYSTEM	Robyn Edwards
FLOWERS	Marie Stott
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	Irene Brinsmead
FIRST READER	Mary Rawson
SECOND READER	Faye McCoach
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Trish Spillane
OFFERTORY	Mupunga Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Helen Reynolds, Helen Bryan, Madeleine Holliday
HOSPITALITY	Clare Perkins, Stewart & Julianne Barlogio
DATA SYSTEM	Catherine Holliday
SACRISTY	Craig Moore

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

FIRST READING — Isaiah 62:1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

1. *O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R.*
2. *Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. R.*
3. *Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. R.*
4. *Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.*

SECOND READING — 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL — John 2:1-11

by Liturgia

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Handyman—General Maintenance (Casual)

An opportunity exists for a handyman to work on a casual basis approx. 2 days /week (flexible) for St. Anthony's Parish. Work would involve general maintenance, mowing/gardening and some cleaning of both churches and associated buildings in the parish.

Enquiries to: Paul Crouch, Parish Business Mgr.

Email: parkings@bigpond.com

LEGION OF MARY MARIAN VALLEY BUS TRIP

Saturday 15th February 2025

The Legion of Mary has booked a bus trip to Marian Valley—Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians. The cost is \$30 per couple (bring a friend/plus one) or \$25 per person. A light sandwich lunch will be included—you are welcome to bring your own food/drinks/snacks.

Book tickets now with Legion of Mary President Philomena Zambelli

Phone: 0414 201 940

Pick up location: Mt St Patrick College, 143 Murwillumbah St, Murwillumbah

Pick up time: 0830 (for 0900 departure) NSW time

Arrival time at Marian Valley (est): 0930 Qld time (Approx 4 hours at Marian Valley)

Estimated time to arrive back at Murwillumbah: 1630 NSW time

Wheelchair Access: NO



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Reborn: You, Your Child and The Heart of Baptism
Reborn explores the deeply personal power of Baptism, bringing to light the spiritual reality for parents and god-parents and, most importantly, the child being baptised. Reborn presents the foundation of the Church's teaching on Baptism, with a step-by-step explanation of the rite itself, including its profound place in Scripture & Tradition.



Office of the
Children's Guardian



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TRAINING

A Safeguarding Workshop

PRESENTED BY CRAIG THACKER
CHILD SAFE TRAINING OFFICER

February 5, 2025
In person
9:30 AM - 1 PM

St Francis Xavier
Catholic Parish
Ballina

Register now!

Reporting Obligations and Processes
9:30am - 11:00am

Empowerment and Participation
11:30am - 1:00pm

Tea, Coffee and a Light Lunch will be provided

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Paul the Apostle | The Bible Collection

The church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.



Mass

There is infinite grace available in every Mass and confession, but our subjective experience may not reflect this objective reality. We need to switch on. The focus of this episode is unlocking more grace from Mass and confession.



Saint Francis de Sales and the Character of a Christian: Devotion (Part 1 of 4)

In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher O. Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales, his best known work "The Introduction to the Devout Life", and the character of a Christian.