

# St Anthony's Parish

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## CHURCHES

### St. Anthony's Kingscliff

16 Pearl St, Kingscliff

### Sts. Mary and Ambrose

1 Charles St, Pottsville

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PRINCIPAL: Brian Laybutt

## RETIRED IN THE PARISH

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 9:00am

FRIDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

### RECONCILIATION TIMES

SATURDAY: KINGSCLIFF 5-5:30pm

SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7-7:25am

9<sup>th</sup> February 2025

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time,  
Year C

## The journey of discipleship

In this week's gospel, we witness the all-too-familiar story of Jesus by the Sea of Galilee calling Simon Peter and other fisherfolk to join him in his mission. Unlike similar call stories in Mark (1:16-20) and Mathew (4:18-22), the journey to discipleship in Luke is not a single moment of decisive conversion but rather a gradual process, marked by repeated encounters, personal challenges, and an evolving understanding of Jesus' identity.

By the time we encounter Simon Peter in this passage, he has already had several meetings with Jesus. Earlier, Jesus performed miracles in Peter's hometown of Capernaum (Lk 4:31-37), healing many who came to Peter's house (4:40-41), including Peter's mother-in-law (Lk 4:38-39).

Peter and his colleagues may have been curious about this miracle worker from Nazareth. However, curiosity alone was not enough to prompt them to abandon their lives and livelihoods. In this later encounter by the lake, Peter and his companions still engaged in their work, weary from an unfruitful night of fishing, are still rooted in the security of their familiar lives.

Jesus enters Peter's boat and asks him to "put out into the deep" (Lk 5:4) which, in Luke is probably meant to be read as both a physical and a spiritual quest. The depth of the lake symbolises a deeper dive into trust and faith, a willingness to venture beyond comfort.

The miraculous catch that follows is not only a sign of Jesus' power but also a revelation for Peter, who, "seized with astonishment" (Lk 5:9), falls to his knees and acknowledges his own unworthiness. This response signifies a transformative moment, one in which Peter's initial curiosity is challenged by the overwhelming presence of the sacred in Jesus.

This passage reminds us that discipleship often requires repeated encounters with the sacred presence in our lives. Each encounter deepens the call, drawing us from curiosity to faith and, eventually, to a committed life of discipleship. It is easy to think that a single moment of conviction or inspiration will suffice to sustain a life of faith. However, Peter's journey suggests that a faithful response to Jesus is nurtured over time, with each encounter inviting us to trust more deeply and let go of our reservations. The call to "leave everything and follow" (Lk 5:11) becomes possible only when Peter has experienced both Jesus' authority and his compassion in a personal and transformative way.

In our own lives, we may find that discipleship also unfolds through a series of invitations to trust, each one a step deeper into relationship with Jesus. We might be drawn to the message of Jesus through curiosity, but it is through ongoing encounters—moments of insight, challenge, or comfort—that we grow into a life of committed discipleship.

Like Peter and his fellow fisherfolk, we come to realise that following Jesus is not merely a call to faith but a call to transformation. We are invited to leave behind the life we know, trusting in the new purpose Jesus reveals, one encounter at a time.

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

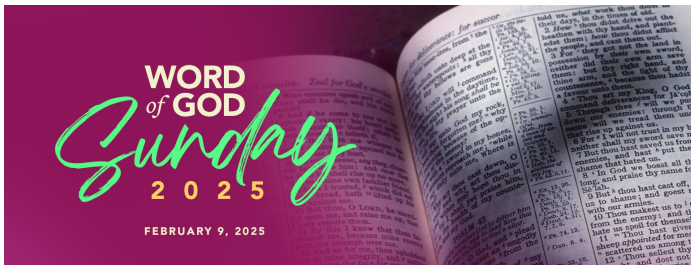
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February – **St Scholastica**, virgin

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February – **Our Lady of Lourdes**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – **Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius**, bishop

6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

Jer 17: 5-8; Psalm 1; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26



### WORD OF GOD SUNDAY—TODAY

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on February 9 in 2025. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit [www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday) to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

### ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL STAFF COMMISSIONING MASS

This weekend, staff in St. Ambrose School, make a commitment to their vocation in Catholic education. We pray they will be richly blessed during this year through their teaching of the Word of God. Next weekend, St. Anthony’s School staff commissioning will be held at the Sunday 9.00am Mass at Kingscliff.

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND WORLD DAY OF THE SICK — 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

“Hope does not disappoint”, but strengthens us in times of trial is this year’s message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 33<sup>rd</sup> World Day of the Sick (Rom 5:5).



### LENTEN PROGRAM 2025

**START ANEW IN CHRIST** is this year’s program, developed by the Archdiocese of Brisbane. It is suitable for both individual and small group reflection.

**Please enter your name on the sheet at the back of the church if you would like to do the program and tick your preference to do it individually or as part of a group.**

The booklets are \$5.00, and will be distributed once we have the names of those wishing to participate.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

10.00am, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
Kingscliff Uniting Church, 24 Kingscliff Street.

All are invited to celebrate World Day of Prayer in Australia with your friends from local churches and others in 170 countries around the world with "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action". The service has been prepared by the Christian churches of the Cook Islands. Morning tea will follow for a time of friendship and fellowship. Enquiries: Estelle Crabb 0447 750 631



## 2025 JUBILEE YEAR—PILGRIMS OF HOPE

### Characteristics of the Jubilee

The seven characteristics of the Jubilee are: **Pilgrimage, Holy Door, Reconciliation, Prayer, Liturgy, Profession of Faith and Indulgences.**

### HOLY DOOR

The Holy Door is of special significance: it is the most powerful sign of the Jubilee, since the ultimate aim of the pilgrim is to pass through it. The opening of the door by the Pope constitutes the official beginning of the Holy Year. Originally, there was only one door, at the Basilica of St. John Lateran, (the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome). Later, to allow as many pilgrims as possible to take part, the other Roman Basilicas opened their holy doors.



In crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, the pilgrim is reminded of the passage from chapter 10 of St John’s gospel: **“I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.”** Passing through the Holy Door expresses the decision to follow and be guided by Jesus, who is the Good Shepherd. The door is a passageway that ushers the pilgrim into the interior of a church. For the Christian community, a church is not only a sacred space, to be approached with respect, with appropriate behaviour and dress, but it is a symbol of the communion that binds every believer to Christ: it is a place of encounter and dialogue, of reconciliation and peace, and the place of the community for the faithful.

**There are 36 events throughout the Jubilee Year highlighting special aspects of church life. This weekend it is the Jubilee of the Armed Forces, Police and Security Personnel.**

### Prayer for the Armed Forces, Police and Military Personnel:

*Lord our God, we thank you for the service and sacrifice of all who have made possible the freedom we enjoy and the heritage we have been given. We commend to you all who serve our nation in the Armed Forces, Police and Security. Shelter them in danger, and in time of peace keep them from all evil. For ourselves, we pray that you will help us to persevere in loyalty and courage, and grant us to be worthy of those who have gone before us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

The National Centre for Evangelisation has prepared a brief resource for each event:



### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Catherine O’Keeffe (sister of Patrice Hose), Coralie Fisher, John Reading, Denis Mahony

**ANNIVERSARIES** Pauline & Bill Wilkin, Lillian Mulhall, Brian Atkinson, Keith Lazenby

**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, Maree Everingham, Fr. Tom McEvoy, All forgotten Souls in Purgatory, All deceased members of Legion of Mary throughout the world.

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK** Matt Gallagher, Mary Byrne, 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).



## BAPTISMS

*We welcome*

**Nyla Birthisel and Caleb Sheehan**

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.*

## MEETINGS/GROUPS

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February at 5.00pm, Meeting Room

### LITURGY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm, Meeting Room

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm, Meeting Room

### SEEKERS FAMILY GROUP LUNCH

When: Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> February at 12 midday

Where: Tumbulgum Hotel

Contact: Jenny 0407 904 402

### MUSIC MINISTRY PRACTICE

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm, St Anthony's Church

## UPCOMING DATES

No Tuesday Masses at Pottsville until 18<sup>th</sup> February at 9.15am

### FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup>

**ST ANTHONY'S PARISH/SCHOOL MASS**

Staff commissioning, 9.00am —Kingscliff

SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>

**WINE & CHEESE NIGHT**

After the Vigil Mass, St. Anthony's Church

### MARCH

TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup>

**RECONCILIATION PARENT/CHILD MEETING**

5.00pm—St. Anthony's & St. Ambrose School

WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup>

**ASH WEDNESDAY** - Lent begins

## URGENT REQUEST FOR ACCOMMODATION

A new parishioner working as a nurse in the area has family arriving shortly from overseas and needs two bedrooms flat/apartment/house up to \$650 a week in the Kingscliff to Pottsville area. Contact Priya 0406 387 882

## 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 of both churches and associated buildings in the parish as well as mowing/gardening. Enquiries to: Paul Crouch, Parish Business Mgr. parkings@bigpond.com

BAPTISM WELCOMER 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Julianne Barlogio
BAPTISM WELCOMER 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Cheryl French
RECORDING Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	John Mulhall, Clare Perkins, Jenny Holland
RECORDING Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Kath Togo, Marion Gardner

MASS ROSTER	8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 6:00PM</b>	
ORGANIST	Tara Williams
FIRST READER	Robyn Denny
SECOND READER	Anthony Luxton
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Carmel Atkinson
OFFERTORY	Angela Mulhall, Marie Moore
HOLY COMMUNION	John Mulhall, Rina Anderson, Kath Togo
HOSPITALITY	Shirley Burns, Marty Darragh
DATA SYSTEM	Marty Darragh
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Carmel Atkinson
<b>POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM</b>	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READER	St. Ambrose School
SECOND READER	St. Ambrose School
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	St. Ambrose School
OFFERTORY	St. Ambrose School
HOLY COMMUNION	St. Ambrose School
HOSPITALITY	St. Ambrose School
DATA SYSTEM	St. Ambrose School
FLOWERS	St. Ambrose School
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
<b>KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>	
ORGANIST	Frances Ord
FIRST READER	Tania Rogers
SECOND READER	Julianne Barlogio
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Michael Craven
OFFERTORY	Julia Burns, Faye McCoach
HOLY COMMUNION	John Rawson, Lynne Bermingham, Peter Byrne
HOSPITALITY	Joan Prichard, Holliday family
DATA SYSTEM	Maya Rogers
SACRISTY	Craig Moore

MASS ROSTER	15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 6:00PM</b>	
ORGANIST	Tara Williams
FIRST READER	Kim Dixon
SECOND READER	Theresa McCloud
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Megan Lowe
OFFERTORY	Rina & Lawrence Anderson
HOLY COMMUNION	Denise DeVene, Carmel Atkinson, Helen Bryan
HOSPITALITY	Robyn Denny, Marty Darragh
DATA SYSTEM	Megan Gollan
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Carmel Atkinson
<b>POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM</b>	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READER	Patrick Butler
SECOND READER	Margaret Potts
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	Julie Ross
OFFERTORY	Dianne Lockyer
HOLY COMMUNION	Marie Stott
HOSPITALITY	Robert van Til
DATA SYSTEM	Anna Caton
FLOWERS	Marie Stott
SACRISTY	Deborah Wilmoth
<b>KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM</b>	
ORGANIST	Janet Blandford
FIRST READER	St. Anthony's School
SECOND READER	St. Anthony's School
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL	St. Anthony's School
OFFERTORY	St. Anthony's School
HOLY COMMUNION	St. Anthony's School
HOSPITALITY	St. Anthony's School
DATA SYSTEM	St. Anthony's School
SACRISTY	Trish Spillane

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O come, let us worship God  
and bow low before the God who made us,  
for he is the Lord our God.

## FIRST READING — Isaiah 6:1-8

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.**

- I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple. R.*
- I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul. R.*
- All earth's kings shall thank you  
when they hear the words of your mouth.  
They shall sing of the Lord's ways:  
'How great is the glory of the Lord!' R.*
- You stretch out your hand and save me,  
your hand will do all things for me.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. R.*

## SECOND READING — 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Come follow me, says the Lord,  
and I will make you fishers of my people.  
**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL — Luke 5:1-11

*by Liturgia*

## INVITATION TO FINAL MASSES UKI & BARRINGBAR

We are invited to join the Catholic community of the Sacred Heart Parish Murwillumbah for the final Masses at **St Columba's Catholic Church Uki** 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 10am and **St Brigid's Catholic Church Burringbar** on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 at 10am. Both Masses will be celebrated by Fr. Paul McDonald, Vicar General, and Fr. Peter Wood, Parish Administrator.

Thank you to Fr. Michael Alcock who is celebrating the 9am Mass at Kingscliff this week.

## LEGION OF MARY - MARIAN VALLEY BUS TRIP

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

The Legion of Mary has booked a bus trip to **Marian Valley—Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians.**

Cost: \$30 per couple (bring a friend/plus one) or \$25 per person. Phone: 0414 201 940

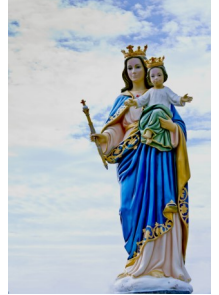
Pick up location: **St Anthony's Church, Kingscliff**

Pick up time: **9.30am** (approx) NSW time

Arrival time Marian Valley (est): 9.30am Qld time

(Approx 4 hrs at Marian Valley)

Wheelchair Access: NO

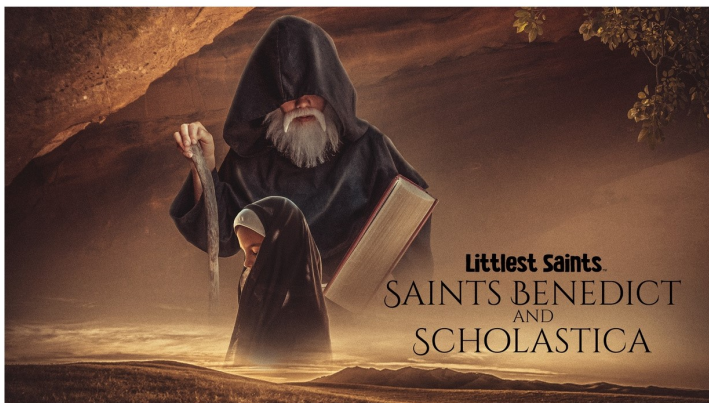


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