

PRAYER FASTING ALMSGIVING

St Anthony's Parish

First Sunday of Lent

9th March 2025

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Resisting temptation

As we begin the season of Lent, we hear Luke's version of the three temptations of Jesus at the beginning of his public ministry. His responses will determine the direction of his mission.

The first temptation is about food. "Turn this stone into bread." After being without food for forty days it would have been simple for Jesus to satisfy his hunger by turning stone into bread by using his divine power. Jesus does not succumb to self-gratification but quotes the Book of Deuteronomy reminding the devil that we do not live "on bread alone."

Today, the temptation to self-indulgence is not simply about food, but it may be about a lifestyle where our personal concerns are prioritised above the needs of others.

The second temptation is about power over others when the devil invites Jesus to exercise authority over nations. This is a seductive temptation for power and control is an aphrodisiac, and Pope Francis constantly warns us against the abuse of power when we use our roles in church and society to aggrandise ourselves rather than promote the concerns of those less fortunate. Jesus calls us to promote not ourselves but commitment to the needy as evidenced in the ministry of Jesus.

The third temptation is for Jesus to do something amazing by throwing himself off the top of the temple and asking the angels to catch him. Jesus resists the temptation to do something spectacular and reproves the devil by quoting scripture to confirm God's love for those who are faithful. Success is not everything as Mother Theresa famously put it: "God has not called us to be successful but to be faithful."

This does not mean that our lives will be free from temptation, but scripture teaches us that Jesus overcame the devil and won the battle for us and for our world. In the wilderness and on the cross Jesus resisted the devil's temptations. He did not listen to Peter, who tried to convince him to stay away from Jerusalem and certain death. He did not call on an army of angels when arrested in the garden of Gethsemane. Even crucified on the cross, Jesus refused to save himself.

We do not have to fear the devil because Jesus has defeated him. Which means that no matter what is happening in our lives, no matter the temptations, trials and tests we might be going through, we can turn to Jesus, and he will be there for us, to lead and guide us along the way.

We will not be challenged as Jesus was, but we will be tempted to live for ourselves, to exercise power and control, and to focus on success rather than faithfulness. Jesus teaches us that through prayer, scripture, the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and service of others we will be able to resist temptation and be missionary disciples proclaiming the good news by word and deed.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

VIGIL: KINGSCLIFF 6:00pm

SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7:30am
KINGSCLIFF 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

TUESDAY: POTTSVILLE 9:15am
WEDNESDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am
THURSDAY: KINGSCLIFF 9:00am
FRIDAY: KINGSCLIFF 8:00am

RECONCILIATION TIMES

SATURDAY: KINGSCLIFF 5-5:30pm
SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7-7:25am

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C, 2025

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Psalm 26; Philippians 3:17 – 4:1; Luke 9:28-36

THE SEASON OF LENT

A good Lenten practice is to do something extra in prayer (e.g. taking the opportunity to attend **Stations of the Cross**), some-thing involving fasting (whether limiting our intake of food or giving up something non-food related), and something involving almsgiving (giving money or goods to the needy or doing extra acts of charity, such as Project Compassion).



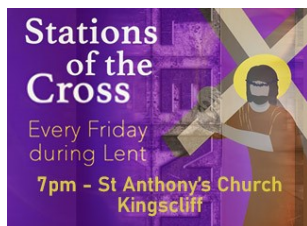
CHANGES TO THE LITURGY DURING LENT

- “**Lord Have Mercy**” will be sung to highlight the penitential rite for the penitential season. There is no “**Gloria**” during Lent.
- The Lenten Gospel Acclamation “**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus; praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ!**” will be sung to the same tune we use for the “Alleluia”.
- We will recite The **Apostles Creed** rather than The Nicene Creed.

All **FRIDAYS IN LENT** are recommended as days of fast.
ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY are days of abstinence from meat.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday during the Season of Lent, **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be held at St. Anthony’s Church at 7:00pm.
A fitting devotion to add to our prayer life during Lent.



BISHOP GREG’S LENTEN TALKS

MONDAYS 10TH, 17TH & 24TH MARCH

6.00pm at St Mary’s Chapel (St Carthage’s Cathedral grounds) and on YouTube (scan qr code)



PARKING IN SCHOOL GROUNDS DURING WEEKEND MASSES

For security reasons, the gate into the school grounds will now be locked. The gates will be open for weekend Masses. If you park in the school ground, please leave promptly after Mass as the gates will need to be locked.

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.

—— LITURGY ——

The liturgy is the Church’s public prayer, the ‘participation of the people of God in the work of God’ (CCC #1069), seen as both the source and summit of the Christian life. At its heart is the Mass, where Christ is truly present in the divine sacrifice of the Eucharist. As a pilgrim, Christ himself walks alongside us and reveals to us the mysteries of the Father. Just like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we encounter Christ in the liturgy.

A key liturgical rite of the Jubilee year is the opening of the Holy Door. Historically, the Pope initiated its unsealing by breaking a brick wall, but since 1950, the wall is removed prior, and the Pope ceremonially pushes the door open, passing through it as the first pilgrim. This act symbolises the collective pilgrimage of God’s people toward His Kingdom.



JUBILEE OF THE WORLD OF VOLUNTEERING

The Jubilee of the World of Volunteering is an opportunity to thank, affirm and encourage the many lay people who contribute to the world through volunteering.

PRAYER

Loving God, May we be inspired by the great witness to mercy provided by those who volunteer their time, skills and resources in the service of others. In doing so, these generous individuals make the love of Christ visible in the world. May we imitate their example, as we ask to be humble instruments in your hands in order to alleviate the world’s sufferings, and to share the joy and hope of the resurrection. Amen.

St Teresa of Calcutta, patron saint of volunteers, pray for us!

From the Catechesis of His Holiness Pope Francis for all Workers of Mercy and Volunteers (2016):

“You are among the most precious things the Church has, you who every day, often silently and unassumingly, give shape and visibility to mercy. You are crafters of mercy: with your hands, with your eyes, with your hearing, with your closeness, by your touch... craftsmen! You express one of the most noble desires of the human heart, making a suffering person feel loved.”

Please remember in your prayers:

RECENTLY DECEASED Sheila Border, Margaret Chiesa, Marj Casey, Barbara Lynch

ALSO Jim Hession, Archie Burns, John Perkins, Philippa Brown, Frank & Judy Mills, Caroline Cranwell, Bernard and Marcia Clarke, Marlene Condon, Jack Byrne, 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 Neville Morrin, Matt Gallagher, Mary Byrne, Mike Roberts, Leone Simpson, Dean Simpson, Dacey Schiemer, Peterson Family, Beryl Moore, Deborah Craig, Tara Selvakumaraswamy, James Heath, Kathleen Conaghan, 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 advise the parish office if you wish for names to remain.

MEETINGS/GROUPS

SEEKERS FAMILY GROUP MORNING TEA

Sunday 16th March at 10:15 am
Lindisfarne boat shed
Contact: Jenny 0407 904 402

ST ANTHONY'S FAMILY GROUP

ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH

Monday 17th March at 12 noon
Chinderah Tavern
Contact: Clare 0448 275 040

CHERRY FAMILY GROUP

ST PATRICK'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA

Monday 17th March at 1.30pm
Kathy's place, 5 Tweed Coast Road, Wooyung.
Bring a plate and own drinks. *All welcome!*
RSVP Kathy 0427 484 727 kathycherry1066@gmail.com



OPALS FAMILY GROUP

ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH

Monday 17th March at 12pm
South Tweed Bowls Club
Contact: Faye 0488 434 605

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY 11TH

postponed from 4/3

INTER-PARISH COLLABORATION

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL/PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
DELEGATES MEETING
5.30-7.00pm—Mt St Patrick, Murwillumbah

WEDNESDAY 12TH

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

3.30pm—Parish meeting room

WEDNESDAY 12TH

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

5.00pm—Parish meeting room

SUNDAY 23RD

KINGSCLIFF TRIATHLON

UPCOMING SAFEGUARDING EVENT

THURSDAY 15TH MAY

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING COURSES, KINGSCLIFF

10.00-11.15AM:

SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS

11.15-11.45AM:

INTEGRITY IN OUR COMMON MISSION

12.00 - 1.15PM:

MANDATORY REPORTING AND REPORTABLE CONDUCT

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYEES, CHURCH PERSONNEL, VOLUNTEERS & PARISHIONERS

The Diocese Safeguarding Office has organised Safeguarding training sessions at Kingscliff on Thursday 15th May.

With the safeguarding audit approaching it is essential that volunteers are up to date with training according to the role performed. The parish office will be contacting our valued volunteers in the near future to provide details of the training course(s) required to be completed.

The Mandatory Reporting and Reportable Conduct training has recently been updated and is required to be completed by any volunteer who is required to have a Working With Children Check.

BAPTISM WELCOMER 9 th Mar	No Baptisms
BAPTISM WELCOMER 16 th Mar	Cheryl French
RECORDING Tuesday 11 th Mar	John Mulhall, Allan Simpson
RECORDING Tuesday 18 th Mar	John Mulhall, Clare Perkins

MASS ROSTER

8th/9th March

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 6:00PM	
ORGANIST	Tara Williams
FIRST READING	Megan Lowe
SECOND READING	Peter Campbell
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Anthony Luxton
OFFERTORY	Angela Mulhall, Marty Darragh
HOLY COMMUNION	Joan Prichard, Rina Anderson, Carmel Atkinson
HOSPITALITY	Shirley Burns, Carmel Bushell
DATA SYSTEM	Megan Gollan
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Carmel Atkinson
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	School Mass cancelled due to weather Liturgy roster for Parish Mass
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READING	Deborah Wilmoth
SECOND READING	Amanda Bottle
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Julie Ross
OFFERTORY	Catherine Dennis
HOLY COMMUNION	Marie Stott
HOSPITALITY	David Cranwell
DATA SYSTEM	Robyn Edwards
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	School Mass cancelled due to weather Liturgy roster for Parish Mass
ORGANIST	Janet Blandford
FIRST READING	Trish Spillane
SECOND READING	Adam Gallagher
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Lorraine Craven
OFFERTORY	tba
HOLY COMMUNION	Julianne Barlogio, Michael Craven
HOSPITALITY	tba
DATA SYSTEM	Catherine Holliday
SACRISTY	Craig Moore

MASS ROSTER

15th/16th March

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 6:00PM	
GUITARIST	Vanya Ricciuti
FIRST READING	Peter McLoughlin
SECOND READING	Kim Dixon
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Helen Gooley
OFFERTORY	Marie Moore, Jacinta Martin
HOLY COMMUNION	John Mulhall, Kath Togo, Helen Bryan
HOSPITALITY	Kerri Olson, Carmel Bushell
DATA SYSTEM	Marty Darragh
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Carmel Atkinson
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READING	Peter Smith
SECOND READING	Peter McConnell
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Robyn Edwards
OFFERTORY	Dianne Lockyer
HOLY COMMUNION	Tim Edwards
HOSPITALITY	David Cranwell
DATA SYSTEM	Amanda Bottle
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	Janet Blandford
FIRST READING	Angela Finkel
SECOND READING	Peter Byrne
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Faye McCoach
OFFERTORY	Anna Smits, Yvonne Potts
HOLY COMMUNION	Julianne Barlogio, Catherine & Madeleine Holliday
HOSPITALITY	Jenny Gardner, Sherida & Terry Sheridan
DATA SYSTEM	Sam Osborne
SACRISTY	Trish Spillane

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING — Deuteronomy 26:4-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

1. *He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' R.*
2. *Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. R.*
3. *They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. R.*
4. *His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. R.*

SECOND READING — Romans 10:8-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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GOSPEL — Luke 4:1-13

by Liturgia

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 generosity is appreciated.**



Global Mission: No age limit!

Ever thought volunteering overseas was beyond you? IT'S NOT. Palms always values our older participants for the wisdom and resourcefulness they share in communities!

Palms is celebrating Seniors Week with a special [online session](#) showcasing older volunteers' experience and insights from the mission field. Explore our [unique opportunities](#) and match your life experience to the experience of a lifetime!

Venue: Online via Zoom- Scan the QR or register at palms.org.au/events

Date: Thursday 27 March 2025

Time: 11 am – 12 pm

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**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

**UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY**
this Lent

Project Compassion 2025 shares three stories from around the world. We'll meet **Toefuata'iga** - (*Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah*) from Samoa, **Lam** from Vietnam and **Irene** from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

Each of this year's stories reflects diverse challenges, yet they are united by the shared determination to overcome adversity and create better futures for themselves and their communities.



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Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

GRIEF AND LOSS SEMINAR—FR RAY SANCHEZ

How can we make **sense of suffering** in our lives?

Fr. Ray explores how people of faith deal with **Grief and Loss**, and how they can help others.

Friday 21st March at 7pm and repeated Saturday 22nd March at 10am in St. Mary's Parish Hall, Cnr Canterbury & West Sts, Casino. *Register with St Mary's Parish on 02 6662 1025*

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

Worldwide Marriage Encounter are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love!

Come and join us on 23-25 May 2025 at a Marriage Encounter Weekend in a Covid safe environment at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW – a stunning & tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney. Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au



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