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18th May 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

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The Ways of Love and of Discipleship

The literary context for today's gospel reading is Jesus' final meal with his disciples. Jesus has washed the feet of his weary table companions whom he addresses affectionately as "dear friends" ("little children" in some translations) and

has thus provided an example of what it means to love. What he has done for them, they are to do for one another. In other words, no form of service is too menial for a Christian disciple and privileged exemption from service of others has no place in gospel living or in gospel leadership. Pope Francis has witnessed powerfully to this from the beginning of his papacy and in diverse ways over the past twelve years of his papacy.

Jesus is said to be "troubled in spirit" (v. 21) at this meal. There is a sense of foreboding in this statement. He knows that membership of the group is no guarantee of fidelity or of sustained goodness. All are capable of betrayal and Judas, who has been one of his closest companions, is about to hand him over to the authorities and ultimately to death. Another of his disciples, Simon Peter, after protesting undying loyalty will proceed to deny him three times (vv. 37-38). Although troubled and no doubt disappointed by the failure of his friends and the dire consequences for himself, Jesus continues to teach the way of discipleship.

The betrayer's departure from the meal, Jesus informs them, signals the imminent arrival of the moment of glorification. Events have been set in train that will culminate in God's victory over evil and death. But this is not the end of their association with him. He will leave them very soon and they are to continue on the way of discipleship. His legacy to them is "a new commandment" – to love one another just as he has loved them. If they do that, everyone will know they are his disciples. To love as Jesus loved, however, is no small thing: it is to be willing to give one's life for the sake of "the other".

This new commandment to love one another is also Jesus' legacy to us, the successors of those early disciples. A dear friend of mine volunteered to care for the wounded in Ukraine last year. Countless medical professionals are laying down their lives for the beleaguered people of Gaza, Ukraine, Myanmar and Sudan. Loving care of the broken-hearted, of the war-ravaged and displaced, of the sick and the weary; providing shelter for the homeless; attentiveness to those grieving the loss of loved ones or of livelihood; a restorative gesture or word; a change in lifestyle or a tree planted in the interests of planetary survival - these are some of the ways of love and of discipleship. In our times, we have come to realise that "the other" embraces the more-than-human and that love of all God's creation is part of the new commandment.

-Veronica Lawson RSM

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

VIGIL MASS: KINGSCLIFF 5:00pm

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 4:00—4:30pm

SUNDAY: POTTSVILLE 7:00—7:25am

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Saturday 24th May **Our Lady, Help of Christians**

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, Yr C

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Psalm 66;

Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29



BISHOP GREGORY'S MESSAGE

POPE LEO XIV

Dear Brothers and Sisters

The election of Pope Leo XIV is a time of great joy for Catholics all over Australia and indeed for well-meaning people throughout the world. We have a new Father who gives us good reason to look to the future with confidence and hope. I believe this man, chosen by the Holy Spirit, will be the Pope needed in these difficult times.

As a young priest, Pope Leo, who is a member of the Augustinian Order, joined the Augustinian Mission to Peru. He has spent most of his life, caring for the poor and marginalised in Peru. Such is his commitment to this mission, that he became a Peruvian citizen. Our Pope's commitment and love marks him as a significant man.

Like Pope Francis, he is also a Religious. He is a member of the Ancient Augustinian Order of which he was the General. This means that Augustinians throughout the world chose him as a man capable of thinking the difficult thoughts and questions proposed by

St Augustine, and a man who lived the spirituality and prayer of that great Saint.

These two attributes give me even more confidence in the shepherding and care that Pope Leo will bring to the church and to the world.

Please join with me in praying for our new Pope.

Bishop Greg Homeming OCD



Jubilee Year 2025

Pilgrimage - Holy Door
Reconciliation - Prayer - Liturgy
Profession of Faith

JUBILEE OF CONFRATERNITIES

The Jubilee of Confraternities honours the many members of Catholic confraternities around the world, highlighting the value of such groups and their important mission.

From Pope Francis' Address to Members of Various Italian Confraternities (2023):
"I would like, then, to invite you to structure your journey along three fundamental lines: evangelism, ecclesiality and missionary spirit."

I would summarise this direction as:

- to walk in Christ's footsteps;
- to walk together;
- to walk proclaiming the Gospel. "



Scan for more resources

THE GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL

This appeal, which was held last weekend, supports the education of future priests of the Lismore Diocese.

Envelopes are available if you would like to make a donation.

Please place your envelope in the collection plate.

Pope Pius VII established this feast in honour of Our Lady Help of Christians in 1815 in thanksgiving for his release from imprisonment by Napoleon Bonaparte.

Australia, a new colony at that time, had no Catholic priests and therefore no Mass available. The faithful recited and relied on the Rosary to sustain the Catholic community. In 1844, Australia became the first country in the world to have Mary Help of Christians as Patroness.



CELEBRATIONS

Baptisms

Elkie Campbell

Kai Coley

Jedidiah Gauci

Tala Kalenbach

Isla King

Calliope O'Dwyer



First Holy Communion Commitment



The children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Communion are making a commitment with the support of their families at Parish Masses this weekend.

CONSECRATING HOMES TO THE SACRED HEART

The Legion of Mary are organising a list of anyone wishing to have their home consecrated to the Sacred Heart. Please add your name to the sheet at church.

Dedication at St. Anthony's Church Kingscliff by Fr. John Darbyshire at the 8am Mass, Wednesday, 25th June.



MINISTRY ROSTERS JULY-DECEMBER

Sheets are available at the back of the Church to notify roster organisers of your ability to join a roster or planned absences during the period July-December 2025. We particularly need some more volunteers to help run the data system at Mass.

Please remember in your prayers:

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jo-Anne Beddoes, Marie Therese Collins, Rosa Bianco, Carmel Brown, Paul Smith

ANNIVERSARY

Pip Brown, George Prichard, Gui Se Do Tjong

ALSO Jim Hession, Archie Burns, 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, John Perkins, 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, Bill Ward, Matilda Howard, Lesa Kingsbury, Mary Manahan, Ed Gaudron, Kerrie Biddulph, Don Ping Kee, Martin Fitzhenry, Jayden Paulson, Gerard Paulson, Patricia O'Farrell. Special prayers for Ella and Skylar.

MEETINGS/GROUPS

LITURGY COMMITTEE

Wednesday 21st May at 3.30pm — Parish meeting room

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 21st May at 5.00pm — Parish meeting room

DIOCESAN FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING —8TH MAY



Parish representatives:
Sharyn McConnell,
Paul Crouch,
Fr Paul,
Shane Martin.
The Bishop was also present.

LAUDATO SI' WEEK (16-24th May) is a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* and a call to action for Catholics around the world to care for our common home. This year marks the 10th anniversary of the encyclical and in this Jubilee year the Australian Catholic Bishops Office for Justice, Ecology & Peace and Caritas Australia have launched the campaign:

'Turn Debt into Hope'.

A petition to the Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and Treasurer has been created. *Hard copies of petition sheets are available at the back of the churches or sign online using the QR code.*

Turn Debt into Hope

Some countries are spending more repaying unjust debt than on healthcare or education.

Sign the petition today!
caritas.org.au/debt



Last weekend mothers were gifted with a handmade card and a crocheted mug cosy for Mother's Day. A big thank you to the parishioners who went to the trouble of making these gifts for our mothers.



CARITAS AUSTRALIA PROJECT COMPASSION UNITING AGAINST POVERTY

OUR PARISH RAISED \$2,052.90

**HOLY LAND COLLECTION
FOR MISSIONARY WORK IN THE
HOLY LAND**

OUR PARISH RAISED \$1,482.50



BAPTISM WELCOMER 18 th May	Julianne Barlogio
BAPTISM WELCOMER 25 th May	Terry & Sherida Sheridan
RECORDING Tues 20 th May	Helen Bryan, Allan Simpson
RECORDING Tues 27 th May	John Mulhall, Clare Perkins

MASS ROSTER

17th/18th May

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 5:00PM	
ORGANIST	Antonia Pratt
FIRST READING	tba
SECOND READING	Robyn Denny
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Tania Rogers
OFFERTORY	Marie Moore, Carmel Bushell
HOLY COMMUNION	Maya Rogers, Helen Gooley, Shane Martin
HOSPITALITY	Joan Prichard, Shirley Burns
DATA SYSTEM	Marty Darragh
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Denise DeVene
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READING	St Ambrose School
SECOND READING	St Ambrose School
PRAYER 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	Sharyn McConnell
SACRISTY	Amanda Bottle
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	St Anthony's School
FIRST READING	St Anthony's School
SECOND READING	St Anthony's School
PRAYER 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	Craig Moore

MASS ROSTER

24th/25th May

KINGSCLIFF SATURDAY 5:00PM	
ORGANIST	Tara Williams
FIRST READING	Carmel Atkinson
SECOND READING	Marion Gardner
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Kim Dixon
OFFERTORY	Angela Mulhall, Shirley Burns
HOLY COMMUNION	John Mulhall, Denise DeVene, Kath Togo
HOSPITALITY	Carmel Bushell, Robyn Denny
DATA SYSTEM	Helen LeFebvre
SACRISTY	Kath Togo, Carmel Atkinson
POTTSVILLE SUNDAY 7:30AM	
ORGANIST	Sharyn McConnell
FIRST READING	Peter McConnell
SECOND READING	Peter Smith
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Ursula O'Grady
OFFERTORY	Christine Dennis
HOLY COMMUNION	Karen Stoyles
HOSPITALITY	David Cranwell
DATA SYSTEM	Robyn Edwards
FLOWERS	Sharyn McConnell
SACRISTY	Michael Carney
KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY 9:00AM	
ORGANIST	Frances Ord
FIRST READING	Clare Perkins
SECOND READING	Gavin Dykes
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Angela Finkel
OFFERTORY	Holliday Family
HOLY COMMUNION	Shane Martin, Helen Bryan, Desiree DeAzevedo
HOSPITALITY	Irene Brinsmead, Julianne Barlogio, Peggy Johnson
DATA SYSTEM	Maya Rogers
SACRISTY	Trish Spillane

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 14, 21-27

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. *The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. R.*
2. *All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God,
to make known to men your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendour of your reign. R.*
3. *Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule lasts from age to age. R.*

SECOND READING — Revelation 21:1-5

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL — John 13:31-35

By Liturgia

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING—15TH MAY

Thank you to Christine Thompson for presenting
safeguarding training at Kingscliff.



KINGSCLIFF TRIATHLON 25TH MAY

Please note the change of normal traffic conditions from
5.00am until about 11:00am. Pearl Street traffic is
affected southbound from Turnock Street to Seaview
Street. One way north only on Pearl Street between
Boomerang and Turnock Streets. See
www.kingsclifftri.org/roads

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. **Thank you.**



ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH COLUMBARIUM

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

Payment by instalments
can be arranged.
For more information contact
the Parish Office
on (02) 6674 1288 or
email parkings@bigpond.com



YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR
OUR DIOCESAN BOOK CLUB

MUSTARD SEEDS BOOK CLUB

Small books, big ideas, growing faith

A chance to come together online, as a community, to share
our faith as we read *52 Sundays* and other Church Documents.

Our first book club is on the **28th of May, from 7pm-8pm.**
We will be discussing the Introduction and Chapters 1-4 from
Deacon Anthony's book *52 Sundays*, and a chapter of your
choice from Pope Francis' encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*.

All are welcome and no background or formal education in
theology is required! Looking forward to seeing you there.

Zoom Meeting ID: 847 3248 5504
Password: WS6wVx

To register interest, contact: Dr Madeline Beveridge, Pastoral
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