



**25TH OCTOBER 2026,
30TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A**

St Anthony's Parish

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ST ANTHONY'S KINGSCLIFF

16 Pearl St, Kingscliff

STS MARY AND AMBROSE

1 Charles St, Pottsville

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

VIGIL: KINGSCLIFF 6:00PM

SUNDAY:

POTTSVILLE: NO MASS

KINGSCLIFF 9:00AM

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

WED: KINGSCLIFF 8:00AM

THU: KINGSCLIFF 9:00AM

FRI: KINGSCLIFF 8:00AM

FRI: POTTSVILLE NO MASS

RECONCILIATION TIMES :

SATURDAY: KINGSCLIFF 5:00-5:30PM

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Office Hours until 10th November: Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am-3.00pm

GOD HEARS THE CRIES OF THE NEEDY

It was said of one of my confrères he had only one sermon, which began and ended with the reassurance that “God loves you”. The people still treasure his memory because they knew he wanted the best for them, even though he became confused towards the end of his life.

I have often reflected I would prefer to be remembered in this way than to be part of that tradition which had our Redemptorist Congregation labelled “the hell-fire preachers”. It is true we are all products of our own time and experience and as we listen to the Scriptures, we are reminded of how low we humans can stoop, and how violent we can be.

At the same time, as in the extract we have this week from Exodus, we are reminded that God is calling his chosen people to reach out in compassion to the stranger and the widow, the orphan and the needy for God hears their cries. We, God's chosen ones today, need no reminder there are still millions of people crying out to God: people fleeing for their lives from the ravages of war and oppression, caught up in the political crossfire that seeks to shift the blame for social disorder on migrants and the stranger rather than the appalling abuses of power that arise from new forms of selfish nationalism.

When Paul writes to the Thessalonians, he is congratulating them on the good example they are setting of Christian living and this is surely a reminder to us, we can make a difference if we go to the heart of the gospel and strive to live a life of love.

We know the religious authorities in the time of Jesus were concerned he was undermining their authority and we are told how they repeatedly tried to rattle him with their questioning. We have one such occasion in the gospel when He is asked to name the greatest of the commandments. Jesus is not flustered but reminds them there is no commandment from the Law and the Prophets that is not caught up in the mystery of love.

In his letter to the early communities, Saint James insists it does not make sense to talk about faith unless you do good works (2:14f) and, of course, the same is true of love: it is not a concept to talk about, but a life to be lived. Jesus demonstrates this by reaching out to all those who come to him in need.

Bishop Michael Curry, an Episcopalian who preached at a Royal Wedding many years ago could not have put it more clearly: firstly, he quoted Dr Martin Luther King: “We must discover the power of love, the redemptive power of love; and when we do that, we will make of this old world a new world – for love, love is the only way.” Then Bishop Curry added: “there is power in love; don't underestimate it; don't even over-sentimentalise it: FOR GOD IS LOVE.”

- Timothy J Buckley CSsR © Majellan Media 2026

STS. MARY AND AMBROSE CHURCH ROOF REPLACEMENT

Work to replace the church's roof continues.

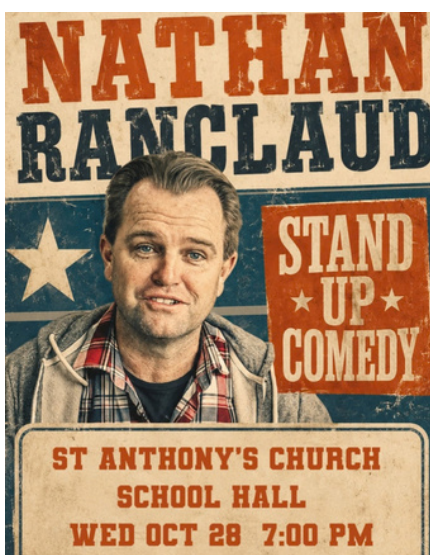
We welcome parishioners from Pottsville to the Kingscliff Masses during this forced closure.

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER

Sts Simon and Jude APOSTLES

The feast day of St. Simon and St. Jude is celebrated on the same day. They were both Apostles, chosen by Jesus and Martyrs.

St. Simon is called 'the Zealot' and St. Jude is Judas Thaddeus, his name shortened to 'Jude' due to the disgrace of the name 'Judas Iscariot'.



SOLEMNITIES OF *All Saints &*

NEXT SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

This year the solemnity of ALL SAINTS falls on a Sunday.

On this day the Church honours all saints, both formally canonised and others who have attained heaven.

All Saints Day takes precedence over 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.



During this month people traditionally request "**November Masses**" for deceased relatives.

All Souls' 8.00 AM MASS MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

This solemnity **commemorates all the faithful departed.**

After the 8.00am Mass on this day, there will be prayers for all our deceased relatives and friends at the Columbarium.

We will publish the names of the deceased for whom November Masses have been requested in the newsletter and on the noticeboard.

Envelopes for these Masses are at the back of the church. **Please print names clearly so we have the correct spelling of names to publish in the newsletter.**

Christian Comedian & Evangelist

Nathan Ranclaud - clean stand-up comedy and a gospel-centred testimony.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28TH 7.00 PM
St. Anthony's Primary School Hall
Pearl St, Kingscliff NSW 2487
GOLD COIN DONATION

People come for a great laugh, the comedy is clean enough for the whole family, and they leave having heard the hope of the Gospel and the local Church proclaimed.

THE 54TH INTERNATIONAL
EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2028
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA
THIS IS MY BODY GIVEN FOR YOU



ONLINE DIOCESAN EUCCHARIST28 MEETING

Tuesday 13th November at 2pm.

Collaborating around preparations for the Congress.

All welcome, including clergy, PPC members, liturgy committee members, and all involved in ministries.

Teams link for meeting:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/join/466702009165152p=v3mUMJCTIJJQ3vgkiK>

SAVE THE DATE FOR EUCCHARIST28!

From 24 September to 1 October 2028, Australia will come together to celebrate the 54th International Eucharistic Congress, a moment of renewal for all.

Eucharist28 will be a truly transformative moment of renewal centred on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Christian lives, culminating in a Papal Mass with Pope Leo XIV.

A Theological Symposium will precede the Congress from
20 to 22 September 2028.

This is a once-in-a-generation moment for the Church in Australia. Will you be there in two years' time?

Mark your calendar, share the news, and join the journey. To begin planning your journey with the Official Group Travel Operator, Harvest Journeys, head to **eucharist28.org**.



Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/united



Thank you for your generous support of the Church in Malawi and the communities it serves.

Because of your kindness, children like Yamikani* will have greater access to education, nourishment, and the opportunity to build a hopeful future.

And if you chose to become a Mission Partner with a monthly gift - thank you so much for your ongoing commitment.

To learn more about the work of Catholic Mission in Malawi and around the world, please visit **catholicmission.org.au/our-work**.

Thank you again for your compassion, and please keep this impactful work in your prayers.

**Name changed for privacy*

Please remember in your prayers:

Recently Deceased Sister Patricia O'Brien, Bill Bellair, Helen Frogley, Denis Geary

Anniversary Ken McDonald, Philip Gardner, John Thieu, Anne Phelan

Also Jack Byrne, Archie Burns, Fr. Thomas McEvoy, Maree Everingham, John Perkins, Pip Brown, Christopher Dennis, deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

Those who are sick Eileen Colbert, Bishop Gregory Homeming, Fr. Anthony Lemon, Christine Dennis, Priscilla Fauvette, Kara Walsh, Cheryl Gilchrist, Baby Miriam Ryan, Baby Zoe Petrik, Belinda Burton, Benjamin Tolentino, Philip Gelhaar, Mary Byrne, Mike Roberts, Leone Simpson, Dean Simpson, Dacey Schiemer, Peterson Family, Beryl Moore, Deborah Craig, James Heath, Bill Ward, Kathleen Conaghan, Matilda Howard, Lesa Kingsbury, Mary Manahan, Martin Fitzhenry, Patricia O'Farrell, Tara Selvakumaraswamy. Prayers for Ella, Skylar, Sarah Gordon.

Names removed after a considerable time. Please assist by advising changes.

Celebrations



Baptisms

We welcome
Luke Ambrose
Marigold Keillah
Alison Longden

MEETINGS GROUPS

RCIA: Wednesday 21st October, 6.30 pm, Parish Meeting Room

UPCOMING DATES

RITE OF ACCEPTANCE - RCIA Sunday 8th November, during the 9.00am Mass

PRISON SUNDAY Sunday 8th November

DIOCESAN EUCHARIST MEETING Tuesday 13th November, 2pm via Teams (link on pg 2)

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR Sunday 15th November

AFTERCHURCH Sunday 15th November, after the 9.00am Mass - parish meeting room

RED WEDNESDAY Wednesday 18th November, 8.00am Mass

OPALS FAMILY GROUP

Driftwood Cafe (near Bunnings Sth Tweed)
Monday, 26th October - 11.00am
Contact: Colleen 0400 774 319

SANCTUS FAMILY GROUP

Park Picnic - Livvi's Place, Tweed Heads
(60 Boundary St, near Jack Evans Harbour)
Sunday, 8th November - 10.30am
Contact: Tarryn 0493 856 449

SINGERS WANTED!

We are a newly-formed choir based in Kingscliff. We are looking for singers to join us in presenting a short program of mostly sacred songs during Sunday Church services in November.

We especially need male voices, but all voices are welcome.

Rehearsals are held on Saturday afternoons in Kingscliff.

There is no cost to participate.

For more information contact Steve Maguire on 0458 799 129, or email stevemag20@outlook.com, or Tara Williams on 0414 479 103.

KINGSCLIFF VIGIL	24 TH OCTOBER, 6:00PM	31 ST OCTOBER, 6:00PM
ORGANIST	Tara Williams	Antonia Pratt
FIRST READER	Kate Stone	Tarryn Dale
SECOND READER	Kim Dixon	tba
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Carmel Atkinson	Kerri Olson
OFFERTORY	Jacinta Martin Marie Moore	Yuri and Sharka Petrik
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Rina Anderson, Denise DeVene, Helen Gooley	Peter McLoughlin, Denise DeVene, Rosie Carroll
HOSPITALITY	Angela Mulhall Carmel Bushell	Denise DeVene Rosie Carroll
DATA SYSTEM	Kerri Olson	Helen LeFebvre
SACRISTY	Carmel Atkinson Denise DeVene, Kath Togo	Carmel Atkinson Denise DeVene, Kath Togo

POTTSVILLE SUNDAY	25 TH OCTOBER, 7:30AM	1 ST NOVEMBER, 7:30AM
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No Mass. Church closed while roof is being replaced.

KINGSCLIFF SUNDAY	25 TH OCTOBER, 9:00AM	1 ST NOVEMBER, 9:00AM
ORGANIST	Frances Ord	Janet Blandford
FIRST READER	Adam Gallagher	Angela Finkel
SECOND READER	Kim Naylor	Blake Reynolds
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL	Bliegh Mupunga	Kate Stone
OFFERTORY	Shyne Mupunga, Helen Reynolds	Oliver Watters tba
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Gavin Dykes, Catherine Holliday, Angela Finkel	Julianne Barlogio, Bernie Doyle, Desiree De Azevedo
HOSPITALITY	Julianne Barlogio, Terry & Sherida Sheridan	Holliday Family Cheryl French
DATA SYSTEM	Carmel Hill	Gavin Dykes
SACRISTY	Craig Moore	Craig Moore
BAPTISMS	Cheryl French	Cheryl French (preparation)

RECORDING	Tuesday 27 th October Adam and Cath Cole	Tuesday 3 rd November John Mulhall, Marion Gardner
UNITING CARE	25 th -31 st October Helen Reynolds	1 st - 7 th November Michael & Lorraine Craven
ROSARY STATUE	25 th -31 st October Paul Morrissey	1 st - 7 th November Marie Moore

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Wednesday 28th October

Sts Simon and Jude, apostles

---- Sunday 1st November ---

ALL SAINTS

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 23:1-6;

1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

PARKING IN ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL GROUNDS FOR MASS

Parishioners who park in the overflow area in the school grounds are requested to vacate or transfer vehicles to the Church car park within 15 minutes of Mass concluding so that the school gates can be secured.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

FIRST READING Exodus 22:20-26

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. *I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. R.*

2. *Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. R.*

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we
will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 22:34-40

by Liturgia

ARRIVING EARLY FOR MASS -WHY IT'S SO VALUABLE-

Arriving early for Mass is an excellent way to prepare for the supernatural experience in which we are about to participate —the Sacred Liturgy.

By taking the time to settle ourselves and pray for the grace to be open to receiving all that God offers us through the Mass – His very self – is of exceptional value.

DONATION POINT

St. Anthony's Church has a donation tap facility located near the church entrance. Donations go directly to the second collection which assists the Parish to meet its ever increasing commitments.

Donation cards are available at the tap point facility. You are invited to place a card in each collection plate. Your donation is appreciated

REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

LEGION OF MARY:

Meet each Tuesday, 9:30am,
Parish Meeting Room

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

Meet on 2nd & 4th Friday of each month, 9:00am, Parish Meeting Room

ROSARY: Kingscliff: Before Vigil, Sunday, Wednesday & Friday Masses; Pottsville: Before Sunday Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION:

Kingscliff: 1st Friday/month.
After 8:00am Mass, concluding at 9:00am



The Piety Stall will be raffling this Holy Advent calendar. Use your imagination to create a special ritual for each day in Advent using this unique calendar.

Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5

We're having a
Diocesan Assembly

Bishop Gregory Homeming OCD has called a Diocesan Assembly for 2027. The process will begin with four Regional Assemblies in April and May and culminate in the Diocesan Assembly in July 2027.



Scan to learn more



Parish Website



Parish Facebook



CELEBRATING 140 YEARS
Presentation Sisters
in Lismore



THANKSGIVING MASS
Saturday, November 21
11:00 AM
St Carthage's Cathedral



All are welcome to join us in prayer and reflection

Tickets also available for a Celebration Luncheon to be held at Invercauld House via: <https://www.trybooking.com/DNKOM>
or Phone: 6627 6647

Test your CATHOLIC KNOWLEDGE

30. Which of the following is NOT one of the sacred vessels of the Mass?

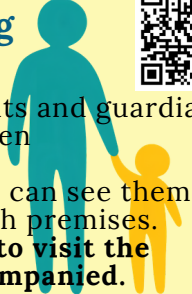
A. Tabernacle
B. Chalice
C. Paten
D. Ciborium

Last week's answer:
D. A brother is a member of a religious order but not ordained.

Today's answer and a new question next week

 **DIOCESE OF LISMORE**

Safeguarding Office



We ask that parents and guardians accompany children at all times. Please ensure you can see them while on the parish premises. **Children are not to visit the bathroom unaccompanied.**

 **Diocesan Investment Fund**
Interest rate 4.15% pa

