

## Readings for Christmas

Isaiah 9: 2-7	Prophecy of a Child to bring Light
Isaiah 52:7-10	Let Zion rejoice
Psalms 96	Sing to the Lord a new song all the earth
Psalms 98	O Sing to the Lord a new song; for he has done marvelous things
Titus 2: 11-14	The grace of God has appeared in Jesus and helps us to live worthy lives until he comes again
Hebrews 1.1-4	God has spoken by his son.
Luke 2:1-14	Jesus is born and shepherds see angels
John 1.1-14	The word became flesh

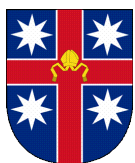
## Psalm 96

- <sup>1</sup> O sing to the Lord a new song: sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- <sup>2</sup> **Sing to the Lord and bless his holy name: proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.**
- <sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations: and his wonders among all peoples.
- <sup>4</sup> **For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: he is more to be feared than all gods.**
- <sup>5</sup> As for all the gods of the nations, they are mere idols: it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- <sup>6</sup> **Majesty and glory are before him: beauty and power are in his sanctuary.**
- <sup>7</sup> Render to the Lord, you families of the nations: render to the Lord glory and might.
- <sup>8</sup> **Render to the Lord the honour due to his name: bring offerings and come into his courts.**
- <sup>9</sup> O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
- <sup>10</sup> **Say among the nations that the Lord is King: he has made the world so firm that it can never be moved; and he shall judge the peoples with equity.**
- <sup>11</sup> Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad: let the sea roar, and all the fills it:
- <sup>12</sup> **Let the fields rejoice, and everything in them: then shall all the trees of the wood shout with joy before the Lord;**
- <sup>13</sup> For he comes, he comes to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

## Psalm 98

- <sup>1</sup> O sing to the Lord a new song: for he has done marvellous things;
- <sup>2</sup> **His right hand and his holy arm: they have got him the victory.**
- <sup>3</sup> The Lord has made known his salvation: he has revealed his just deliverance in the sight of the nations.
- <sup>4</sup> **He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel: and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**
- <sup>5</sup> Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth: break into singing and make melody.
- <sup>6</sup> **Make melody to the Lord upon the harp: upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.**
- <sup>7</sup> With trumpets and with horns: cry out in triumph before the Lord, the king.
- <sup>8</sup> **Let the sea roar, and all that fills it: the good earth and those who live upon it.**
- <sup>9</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands: and let the mountains ring out together before the Lord;
- <sup>10</sup> **For he comes to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.**

## Diocesan Prayer



God in whom we live, and move and have our being,  
we thank you for Jesus Christ who is the Good News.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit, enable us to be people  
who transform lives, make disciples and grow communities,  
that your glory may be revealed in all creation.  
We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



## St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

Our Vision: Transforming lives through Jesus Christ.  
Our Mission: Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ,  
Making disciples and Growing faith communities.

**24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025**

*Welcome to our Christmas Services*



**Sentence at Night:** The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light:  
for to us a child is born, to us a son is given. Isaiah 9: 2-6

**Sentence on Christmas Day:** I bring you good news of great joy for all people to  
you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, Christ the Lord. Luke 2: 10-11

### Collect Prayer for Night

Eternal God,  
Who made this most holy night  
to shine with the brightness of your  
one true light.  
bring us, who have known the revelation  
of that light on earth, to see the  
radiance of your heavenly glory:  
through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen**

### Collect Prayer for Day

All glory to you, gracious God,  
for the gift of your Son,  
whom you sent to save us.  
With the angels, let us praise your name,  
and tell the earth his story,  
that all may believe, rejoice, and proclaim  
your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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## Welcome to Our Christmas Services

Welcome as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

This celebration is all about God becoming a human being like us, in Jesus so that we might know the way to God. And it is through Jesus that we can have Hope, despite the challenges of our world..

Wishing you a Happy, a Holy, and a Blessed Christmas.

### Reflection

The angel says: *Do not be afraid*. The phrase is used throughout the Bible – in the Hebrew Scriptures, in the Apocrypha and in the New Testament. God does not want us to be timid, afraid, anxious or troubled. God wants us, as the birth of Jesus shows, to come closer. Perfect love casts out fear (1 John 4.18), and today God surrounds us with perfect love in the birth of the Baby at Bethlehem.

- Pray this week that you may show perfect love to all you encounter.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa.

Text: Robert McLean

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### Singing Group

Singing Group will be meeting on the second Thursday of each month.  
**Starting at 4.00pm NSW Time.** Any queries please see Tricia Townend.

### Craft / Friendship Group

Meets every Monday afternoon, twice a month we will meet for a Coffee/Lunch at Club Tweed. Next meetings are at Club Tweed on 2nd and 16th February 2026. Everyone is welcome to come and join. Please note there will be no meetings in January. We will start back in February.

### Wednesday Services

Please note that Wednesday Services will now be in recess until end of January 2026.

### Annual Reports

Just a reminder that reports for the AGM will need to be submitted by 16th January 2026.

### Personal Notices

***Birthdays:  
Years Mind:***

31st Evelyn Eccleston  
22nd Jeanette Turner



### Prayer List

***The following people are in need of our prayers at this time:***

Alan Birch, Robyn Morisset, Ryan, Russell Trickey, Kelly Standing, Elsie McGrath, Edward Kay, Marilyn Sanders, Jeri & Tony de Kievit, Matthew Read, Gwyneth Clarke, Stephen Blaney, Chrissie Carroll, Louise Talbot, Wendy Crook, Fay Flaherty, Val Chapman, Cressa Bartosek, Cliff Boyd, Val Wilson, Elan, Christine Charlton, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Robyn Hobson, Evelyn Eccleston, Ross Johnson, Jan Stuckings, Dr Kim Dobbie, Veryl Bennell, Dulcie Brookes

*Church is committed to protecting your privacy. People on this list have requested prayer.*

***Please contact the Parish Office for any changes to the Prayer List***

## Coming up in 2025

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>24th December</b>	<b>8.00pm</b>	<b>Family Service</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>25th December</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Christmas Celebration</b>

### Nominations for Parish Council Positions

With the AGM only weeks away, we would like to remind the congregation to give some consideration to nominations for next year's Parish Council Positions.

### Locum Roster for December and January

24th & 25th December	The Reverend Canon Judy Edwards
28th December	The Reverend Dr Marian Free
4th & 11 January	The Reverend Dr Marian Free
18th January—24th May	The Reverends Ron & Crystal Spindler

### Christmas Bowl Appeal 2025

This advent, we can act for peace together and help create a world where people uprooted by conflict and disaster have a safe place to belong. There are several ways to donate.

1. Giving envelopes handed out each Sunday throughout December.
2. Online transfer: [christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/resources](http://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/resources).
3. Bank deposit:

Account name: Act for Peace Ltd, BSB: 012 332, Account: 2323 75215.  
(Please include our supporter ID number which is A – 50745 when donating online).

Thank you in anticipation for your continued support.

If anyone would like a tax- deductible receipt for their cash gift, they can download a form at: [christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/resources](http://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/resources).



### Angel Tree

The 21 gifts that members of our Parish purchased have been delivered to the children of prisoners. The joy and thanks from the families was overwhelming. Thanks to all involved.  
Good job!

### Healing Eucharist

Do you carry worry, pain or grief? Kingscliff Parish invites you to a Healing Eucharist at St James Anglican Church, 122 Marine Parade, at 5.00pm on the 1st Saturday of every month. For further details please see poster on the noticeboard or contact 0435 750 155.

### Supporting our Parish Ministry

**A Big Thank You to All who financially support our Parish either at Worship or electronically.**  
**We now have a new Bank Account with the Commonwealth Bank.**

If you would like to contribute electronically to the mission and ministry of our Parish, you can use the following account. Direct Debiting to our St Cuthbert's Parish Account

Name: ST CUTHBERT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA TWEED HEADS  
BSB: 064410, Account No.: 10395636

Please call the office on 07 5536 1060 or Treasurer Margaret Bishop on 0413 993 923 if you have any queries, or would like to discuss this further.