

Readings for Christmas

Isaiah 9: 2-7
Isaiah 62:6-12
Prophesy of a Child to bring Light
Salvation is coming

Psalms 96
Psalm 97
Sing to the Lord a new song – He comes to judge
The Lord is King, Let the Earth rejoice

Titus 2: 11-14
The grace of God has appeared in Jesus
and helps us to live worthy lives until he comes again
Jesus saves us and pours his Spirit on us.

Titus 3: 4-8a
Jesus is born and shepherds see angels
Shepherds see angels and then visit Jesus

Psalm 96

¹ O sing to the lord a new son: sing to the Lord, all the earth.
² **Sing to the Lord and bless his holy name: proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.**
³ Declare his glory among the nations: and his wonders among all peoples.
⁴ **For great is the lord, and greatly to be praised: he is more to be feared than all gods.**
⁵ As for all the gods of the nations, they are mere idols: it is the Lord who made the heavens.
⁶ **Majesty and glory are before him: beauty and power are in his sanctuary.**
⁷ Render to the Lord, you families of the nations: render to the Lord glory and might.
⁸ **Render to the Lord the honour due to his name: bring offerings and come into his courts.**
⁹ O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
¹⁰ **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.**
¹¹ Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad: let the sea roar, and all the fills it:
¹² **Let the fields rejoice, and everything in them: then shall all the trees of the wood shout with joy before the Lord;**
¹³ For he comes, he comes to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

Psalm 97

¹ The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of islands be glad.
² **Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**
³ Fire goes before him: and burns up his enemies on every side.
⁴ **His lightnings light the world: the earth sees it and quakes.**
⁵ The mountains melt like wax before his face: from before the face of the lord of all the earth.
⁶ **The heavens have proclaimed his righteousness: and all peoples have seen his glory.**
⁷ They are ashamed, all those who serve idols and glory in mere nothings: all gods bow down before him.
⁸ **Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of your judgments, O God.**
⁹ For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth: you are exalted far above all Gods.
¹⁰ **The lord loves those that hate evil: the Lord guards the live of the faithful and delivers them from the hand of the ungodly.**
¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous: and joy for the true of heart.
¹² **Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous: and give thanks to his holy name.**



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.

25TH DECEMBER 2024

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. Isaiah9: 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 know 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**

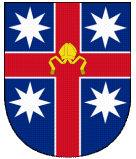
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Weekly Services: Sunday 9.00am, Wednesday 10.00am



A Parish Prayer for Growth

God of Mission, Who alone brings growth to your Church, Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions, and Power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



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.

God Bless Rev. Dway

Reflection

Isaiah bursts with joy as he describes the coming of the saviour-liberator, like light in darkness. All the longings of the people for freedom are fulfilled in this prophecy. We hear these words thousands of years later, and see a prophecy of Christ, and they are. But they also remain concrete words of reassurance for all who suffer that's God's action and desire reach into the very specifics of history to set people free. .

- Pray for all who "sit in darkness", that they come to know the light which brings healing, restoration, and whatever it is they need in order to know joy in their lives once again .
- Give thanks for USPG, the United Society Partners in the Gospel, remembering their work and witness

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Mother's Union

This week 8 "Baby Bundles" were delivered to Tweed Hospital Midwifery Section. Received with many thanks and enthusiastic hope that we continue with this gift to new mum's. Many thanks to members and Parishioners for their continuing support. Merry Christmas.

Craft / Friendship Group

Meets every Monday afternoon, twice a month we will meet for a Coffee/Lunch at Club Tweed. Next meeting at Club Tweed is on 23rd December 2024. Everyone is welcome to come and join.

Singing Group

Singing Group will be meeting on the second Thursday of each month. Our next rehearsal is Thursday 9th January 2025. **Starting at 4.00pm NSW Time.** Any queries please see Tricia Townend.

Personal Notes

Birthdays:

31st Evelyn Eccleston



Prayer List

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

Marcia Eldridge, Jasmine Adams, Kelly Standing, Elsie McGrath, Edward Kay, Jeri & Tony de Kievit, Matthew Read, Gwyneth Clarke, Stephen Blaney, Chrissie Carroll, Louise Talbot, Iris Pyle, Betty Bell, Wendy Crook, Fay Flaherty, Val Chapman, Cressa Bartosek, Cliff Boyd, Janis Hepburn, Val Wilson, Elan, Christine Charlton, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Robyn Hobson, Erica Crompton, Guy Martinez, Marilyn Sanders.

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

Sunday	16th February	10.30 am	Parish AGM
Wednesday	5th March		Ash Wednesday
Friday	18th April		Good Friday
Sunday	20th April		Easter Day
Sunday	8th June		Pentecost

HOPE 25

From Easter Day (20th April 2025) to Pentecost (8th June 2025) we will be having a number of events where we can invite family and friends to come and share with us and find out about the hope we have in Jesus.

Wednesday Services — Holidays

After Christmas there will be a holiday for our Regular Wednesday Services. Last Wednesday service for 2024 will be Wednesday 18th December 2024 at 10am. Wednesday Services will resume on Wednesday 5th February 2025.

Monthly Spiritual Gym — Hosted by the Anglican Parishes of the Tweed

Next Date: will resume in 2025, watch this space for details.

Where: Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School Chapel, Time: 5.30pm Refreshments, 6.00pm Service
St James Kingscliff, St Cuthbert's Tweed Heads, All Saints Murwillumbah,
Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School

HOPE 25 Lenten Study

Begins on Ash Wednesday (5th March 2025 and continues throughout Lent on Wednesdays 11.00 am and 6.00 pm.



Christmas Bowl Appeal

Throughout every Sunday in December there will be a Christmas Bowl envelope in your pew bulletin. Please place your donation in the envelope and place in the offertory bag. Thank you for supporting this most worthy mission.

Notice of Parish Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 16th February 2025 commencing at 10:30am. Would all event coordinators please have your reports for the AGM into the Parish Office by Friday, 17th January 2025 Thank you.

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