



Townsville Ministry Unit



March 2026 Parish News

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**March 22nd after
9am Service**



**March
1st**

2025 Electoral Roll displayed

**March
5th**

Last date for Nominations and Notice of Motions

**March
12th**

Agenda and list of nominations available
Last date for Reports

**March
15th**

Copies of Financial Statements Available
Notice of AGM to be “read” at both services.

DIRECT DEBIT

Church Wardens of
St James Cathedral General Account
BSB 034 222
Acc 250713

ANONYMOUS DONATION (ANFIN)

A brochure & information can be found at
**ANFIN – Anglican Church Southern
Queensland (anglicanchurchsq.org.au)**



Thanksgiving

If you use either method, you may pick up a laminated card from the table on entry to deposit in the offering plate

Services

Sundays:

7.15 am St Marks Belgian Gardens

9 am St James

Mon, Tues, Wed & Friday St James:

8.30 am Morning Prayer

Wednesday St James:

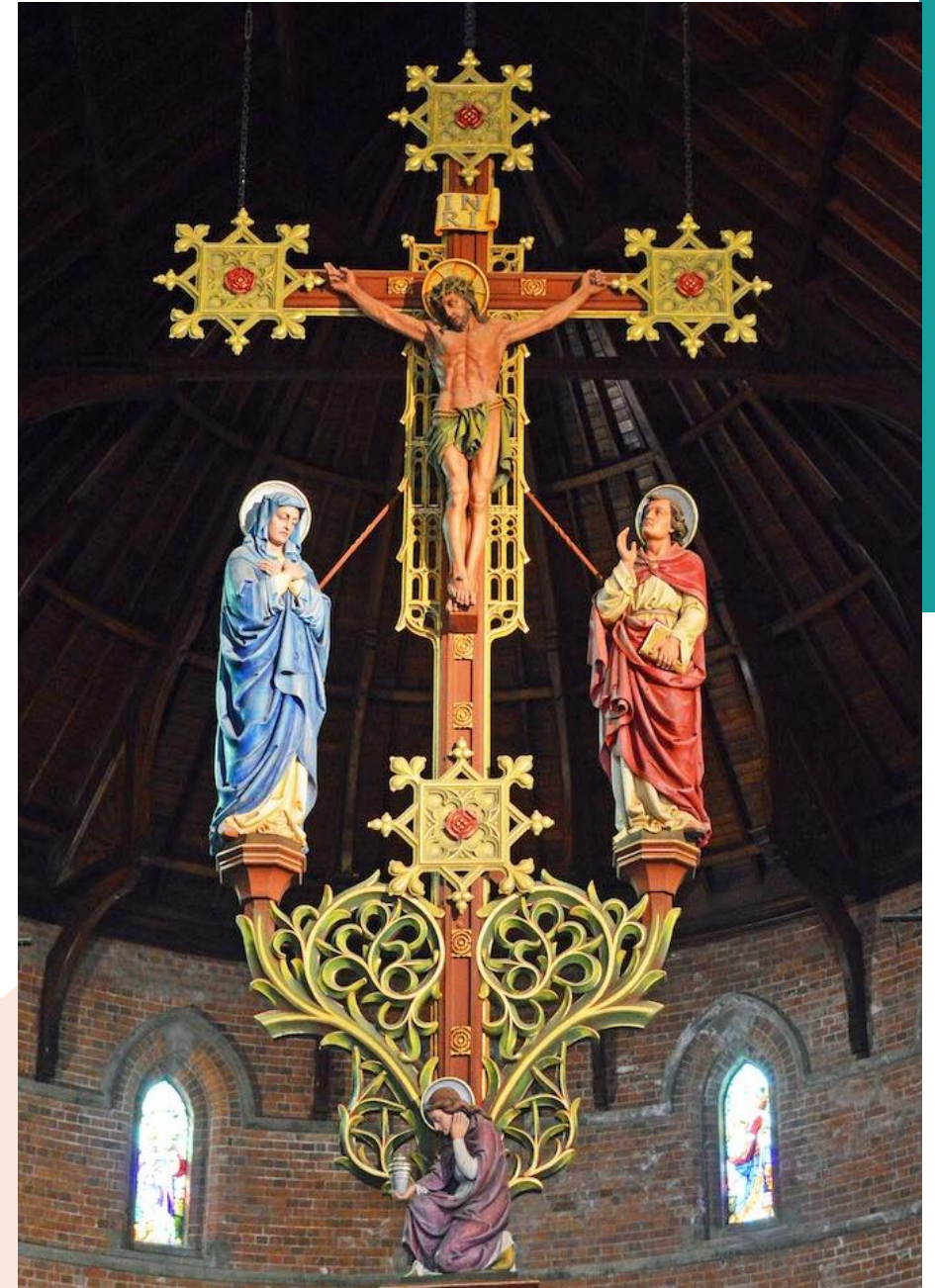
Eucharists 12 noon & 5.30pm

Saturday:

5 pm St Margarets Magnetic Island

St James is open most weekdays

8am-noon (except in Jan)





What's Happening

in March

March, 2026

The Townsville Ministry Unit

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 2ND SUNDAY IN LENT 7.15 Eucharist at St Mark's 9.00 Eucharist at St James 6.00 Evensong	2 CHAD 8.30 Morning Prayer 1.30 Eucharist at Bolton Clarke	3 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist 12.30 Anglicare Board Meeting Cairns	4 7.00 Lent Study 8.30 Morning Prayer 11.00 Lent Study 12.00 Eucharist at St James 5.30 Eucharist at St James	5 all day Fr Kenneth at Charters Towers	6 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist 9.00 WDoP Service at St James Village, Heatley 7.00 WDoP Service at St Peter's West End	7 PERPETUA AND COMPANIONS 8.30 Morning Prayer 9.00 Friends of the Cathedral Tour of St Theodore's 5.00 Service at St Margaret's
8 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT 7.15 Eucharist at St Mark's 9.00 Eucharist at St James (Fr Kenneth at Charters Towers for Service and AGM)	9 SISTER EMMA SSA 8.30 Morning Prayer 1.30 Eucharist at Bolton Clarke	10 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist	11 7.00 Lent Study 8.30 Morning Prayer 11.00 Lent Study 12.00 Eucharist at St James 5.30 Eucharist at St James	12 all day Fr Kenneth at Charters Towers	13 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist	14 8.30 Morning Prayer 5.00 Service at St Margaret's
15 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT 7.15 Eucharist at St Mark's 9.00 Eucharist at St James 10.45 MUC Meeting 12.00 Baptism at St James	16 8.30 Morning Prayer 1.30 Eucharist at Bolton Clarke	17 PATRICK 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist	18 CYRIL OF JERUSALEM 7.00 Lent Study 8.30 Morning Prayer 11.00 Lent Study 12.00 Eucharist at St James 5.30 Eucharist at St James	19 ST JOSEPH am Fr Kenneth at Charters Towers 2.00 Senior Leaders Mtg	20 CUTHBERT OF LINDISFARNE 9.00 Diocesan Council Mtg	21 THOMAS CRANMER 8.30 Morning Prayer 4.00 Concert at St James 5.00 Service at St Margaret's
22 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT 7.15 Eucharist at St Mark's 9.00 Eucharist at St James 10.30 Parish AGM 3.00 Service and AGM at Bowen	23 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist 1.30 Eucharist at Bolton Clarke	24 OSCAR ROMERO 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist 1.00 Area Deanery Meeting	25 ANNUNCIATION 7.00 Lent Study 8.30 Morning Prayer 11.00 Lent Study 12.00 Eucharist at St James 5.30 Eucharist at St James 5.30 Lady Day Service ASSG	26 all day Fr Kenneth at Charters Towers	27 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist	28 7.30 Mens' Breakfast 8.30 Morning Prayer 9.00 Palm Cross Making 5.00 Service at St Margaret's
29 PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY 7.15 Eucharist at St Mark's 9.00 Eucharist at St James	30 MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist 1.30 Eucharist at Bolton Clarke	31 TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK 8.30 Morning Prayer/Eucharist all day Cathedral School Set up for Easter Service				

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays 7am & 11am

2026
LENTEN MEDITATIONS


Holy Habits



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6pm March 1st



**Return your
containers and use
QR Code for your
St James donation**



Clean Up



**Clean up Australia Day
2nd March 2025**



**World Day of Prayer
Committee 2026**
*invites you to pray for
the people of Nigeria*

**World Day of Prayer
6 March 2026**

"I Will Give You Rest: Come." Matthew 11:28-30



Morning Service

When: Friday, 6 March 2026

Where: St. James' Retirement Village

Address: 260 Fulham Road, Heatley, Townsville

Time: 9:30am

Hosted by: Common Ground Church of Christ



Evening Service

When: Friday, 6 March 2026

Where: Saint Peter's Anglican Church

Address: 90 Leigh Street, West End, Townsville 4810

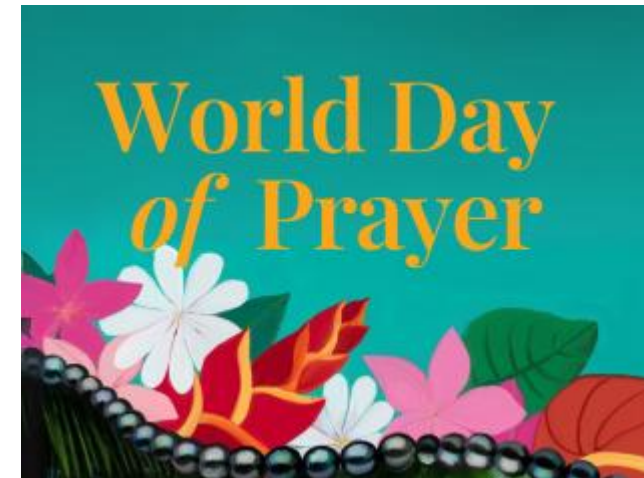
Time: 7:00pm

Please RSVP by 20 February 2026:

Rita on 0400375711 or
ritatombag3@gmail.com

A special offering will
be taken for the Bible
Society Project.

Find us on Facebook: World Day of Prayer Townsville Branch



The World Day of Prayer is an annual global ecumenical movement, celebrated on the first Friday in March, inviting people to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

[World Day of Prayer International - Home](https://www.worlddayofprayer.org/)

*Invitation to join
The Friends of St James Cathedral
when they visit*

**Saints Theodores
Greek Orthodox Church.
9am March 7th**

Dr Alan O'Neill will take us on a tour of this interesting building.

Greek people began to arrive and settle in Townsville in about 1916. To meet the interim religious needs of this developing Greek community, a visiting priest from Innisfail conducted services in **St James' Cathedral**, as did the Metropolitan of Australia Timotheos Evangelinidis when visiting this community.

654 Sturt St, Townsville

See Pages 33 - 37

Let's look at some
HISTORY



March 9th Mother Emma's Day

1917

Sister Alice and Sister Frances arrived in Townsville by steamer ship to prepare for the opening of the new school.

St Anne's Church of England Girls' School was opened when Mother Emma and Sister Vernon arrived in July. The school had an initial enrolment of seventy-one students and consisted of a single building in Walker Street Townsville city.



St Anne's, Townsville

THE NORTHERN CHURCHMAN—December 1978—3

Departure of Sisters of the Sacred Advent



At the Civic Farewell to the Sisters of the Sacred Advent—(Left to right) : The Mayor of Townsville, His Worship Alderman Perc. Tucker, Sister Chaseley Anne (Sister-in-Charge, St. Anne's School), Sister Eunice, and the Bishop of North Queensland, The Rt. Rev. John Lewis, S.S.M.

A 62-year-old tradition within the Diocese of North Queensland has ended, with the departure this month of the remaining Sisters of the Sacred Advent.

Sister Chaseley Anne, Sister-in-Charge of St. Anne's, and Sister Eunice departed from Townsville to rejoin the Society's Community House in Brisbane, following a series of poignant farewells by a large cross-section of the community, including St. Anne's

Old Girls' Association, Parents and Friends' Association, the City of Townsville and the Diocese of North Queensland.

The first Sisters of the Sacred Advent arrived in Townsville in 1917 to establish St. Anne's School. The first Sister-in-Charge was Sister Alice, assisted by Sisters Vernon and Frances.

The involvement of the Society increased progressively over the years, and the contribution made by the Sisters to Anglican girls' schools in North Queensland can hardly be overestimated.

However, due to shortages of personnel in the south, the remaining Sisters have now been recalled.

Sister Chaseley has carved a particular niche for herself in the hearts of North Queenslanders, particularly in relation to St. Anne's School. She was herself a student at the School, then a young staff member, and for the past 10 years has acted as Sister-in-Charge.

On joining the Sisterhood, Sister Chaseley spent 18 months as a novice at St. Gabriel's, Charters Towers, and after her two years at St. Anne's began an eight-year period at the Tufnell Home for Unwanted and Needy Children in Brisbane.

The other Sister at St. Anne's, Sister Eunice, also worked with Sister Chaseley at Tufnell Home. Sister Eunice is a former missionary who served in the Diocese of Carpentaria.

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Roberts during the year have been





10.45 am
March 15th

Ministry Unit Council Meeting



**WE'RE
BACK!**

St. James Cathedral Concert Series

Since 2015, Townsville music teacher, Anne Milanovic, has been organising regular concerts throughout the year showcasing a diverse range of local talent

The St James Cathedral Music Series gives local groups an opportunity to perform in an amazing acoustic space



DOUBLE THE BRASS

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BRASS BANDS



in their final concert before the
Yamaha Australian National Band
Championships

HYMN • OWN CHOICE • TEST PIECE • MARCH



St. James Cathedral Concert Series

SUNDAY 15TH MARCH - 2:00PM
ST. JAMES' CATHEDRAL, THE CITY

\$5.00/PERSON | U12 FREE

**All proceeds to be donated to assist with
the maintenance of St. James' Cathedral*

March 19th

Joseph, husband of the Blessed Mary

West wall of North Transept

Window given by the Mothers' Union as a Centenary Gift to Cathedral 1977

- In memory of Henry Richard Synge made by Oliver Cowley



The background of the entire image is a watercolor-style illustration. It features a large treble clef on the left, with several musical notes flowing from it across the frame. The background is decorated with soft, blended washes of yellow, blue, and pink, interspersed with numerous small, colorful dots in yellow, orange, and pink. The overall aesthetic is bright and artistic.

TCB

4pm Saturday March 21st

Townsville Concert Band

St. James Cathedral Concert Series

March 22nd

Mothering Sunday

We celebrate with Simnel Cake
(Thank you Bernice)

The light fruit cake is distinguished by layers of almond paste or marzipan, typically one in the middle and one on top, and a set of eleven balls made of the same paste.



March 25th



The Annunciation when the Angel Gabriel speaks to Mary

A Lady Day Service will be held at
St Matthew's Church, Mundingburra
10am

Presentation by Jan Hagerty,
Townsville Community Law Inc. on "Elder Abuse"

Lady Day is a special day for Anglican Mothers' Union Australia

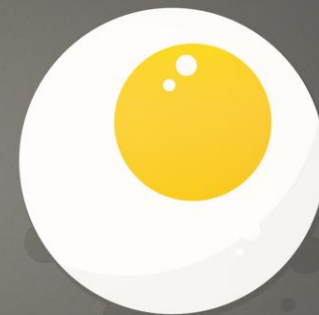
Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Window from St James' Cathedral





MEN'S
BREAKFAST



**Cathedral Garden
7.30am Saturday
March 28th**



Workshop to make
Palm Crosses
9am March 28th 29th





Prayer for Peace and Justice
"Lord of Peace, on this Palm Sunday, as we remember Jesus' peaceful entry, we pray for peace in our hearts, homes, and world. Inspire us to carry forward the message of justice and peace that Jesus brought to Jerusalem. Empower us to be instruments of Your peace, advocating for the marginalized and working towards justice for all of Your creation."

Hosanna in the Highest!

March 29th
Palm Sunday



Sunday afternoon 29 March 2026

**Townsville Amnesty Action Group and
Townsville Multicultural Support Group (TMSG)
will be hosting a PALM SUNDAY WALK FOR
PEACE AND JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES at The
Strand**



Lent is a time of the desert, of wandering in a spiritual wilderness. It is also a time in which we come to recognize the importance of water and its place as the source and sustainer of life.

Clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene are basic human rights. They should be available to everyone, everywhere – but they aren't.

This Lent, your generosity can bring the lifegiving gift of clean water to vulnerable people.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

therefore **GO** and *make disciples of ALL* nations

LENT APPEAL 2026

**GIVE WATER,
GIVE LIFE.**



**Donations can be made
through the envelopes or
direct debit, marked with
the name of Mission
BSB 034 222
Account Number
250713 250713**

Did you know?



Around the world, **1 in 3 people** do not have access to safe drinking water



1.5 billion people don't have their own toilet



In 80% of water-deprived households, **women and girls** carry the burden of water collection

Around the world, you are changing lives for the better



In **Kenya**, you help construct sand dams, wells and water tanks, bring reliable water access to arid regions and easing the daily burden felt by women and girls.



In **Vanuatu**, you help build model toilets, improving health outcomes and restoring dignity – especially for the most vulnerable.



In **Myanmar**, you enable communities to develop water systems, taps and toilets, reducing illness and eliminating long, exhausting walks for unsafe water.

With your help, we can reach people who are still living without the essentials they need to live lives of health and dignity:

\$50

can provide cement for the floor of a water tank, toilet or bathroom

\$150

can provide a one-day training workshop on hygiene for 24 people

\$500

can cover the essential materials and piping needed for an entire community water system

This Lent, give water – and give life.

What We Do



PRAYER

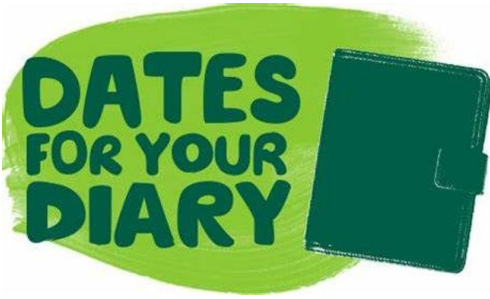
LENT 2026

Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the Living Water that quenches all thirst.
Hear us as we pray for all those who work with ABM AID
to provide communities in Kenya, Vanuatu, Myanmar
and other places around the world with clean water.

Bless the communities themselves,
that they may benefit from safe water,
and experience the health benefits
of improved sanitation and hygiene facilities.

Send your favour on the staff from our overseas partners
as they oversee the implementation of the work.

Pour out your grace on all those who support such work,
through their interest, their prayers and their gifts.
Accept this work that we do together in your Holy Name.



Fr Kenneth's Last Service

**Thursday Evening
May 21st**



Friends of St James Cathedral 2026 Art & Craft Exhibition

Opening: July 29th

**Exhibition runs
July 30th – August 9th**

Art Prize: “*Townsville Icon*”



St James
Sculpture
Erwin A. Guth

**DATES
FOR YOUR
DIARY**



[Further information for Artists](#)

**WHAT
HAPPENED**

**in
February**



Holy Baptism

Rosemary Muller

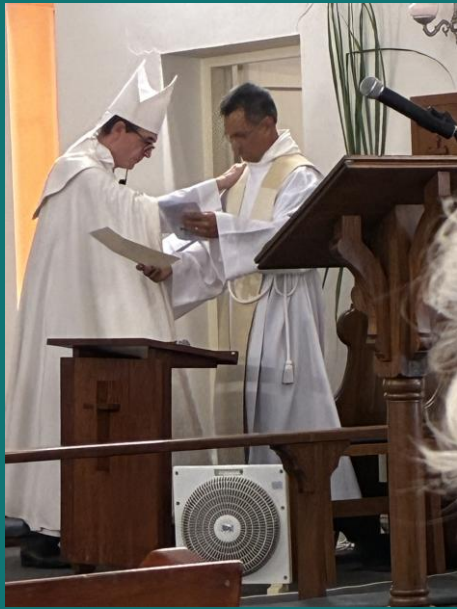
Emilia Muller

Rocky Barton

Oake Peters

Makenzie Louise Giddy

We welcome into God's Family



Diocese of North Queensland
Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Ingham

The Induction of
Yuen Dway Goon Chew
as Priest-in-Charge
of the Ministry Unit of
Hinchinbrook

Friday, 30 January, 2026

celebrating
The Presentation of Christ
in the Temple





St Margaret's Church on Magnetic Island is a repurposed barracks building which originally stood in the Forts area of Florence Bay. "The Forts", also known as the Magnetic Battery, was built as a Royal Australian Navy artillery battery to defend Cleveland Bay during World War II. As the nation was rebuilding in the 1950s, the barracks was gifted to the parish, transported to its current location in Endeavour Road, Arcadia, and lovingly adapted as a church. Although small, it is charming, with many visitors remarking on its peaceful atmosphere, interesting pictures, paintings and history. Being on the way to one of the many walking tracks within Magnetic Island's National Park, passing walkers will often pause to come in and quietly reflect for a few minutes or avail of the lending library which is open 24/7. While there are no stained-glass windows, the large window of plain glass behind the altar reveals the glory of God's natural beauties outside.



Dear all,

We are delighted to let you know that *The Stable at Cluden 2025* was, by God's grace, a great success. We witnessed many wonderful God stories, with hearts encouraged and lives touched through prayer and the sharing of the true Christmas story.

We are especially grateful for the dedication of the Event Team, volunteers, and supporters—including your church—whose prayers, time, and resources made this event possible. We have also included a thank-you video ([click here to view](#)) for you to share with your church, along with a Certificate of Appreciation (attached), as a small expression of our gratitude for the valued support they have given.

Above all, we give thanks to God for His guidance, protection, and provision throughout the event. We trust that the seeds planted during this time will continue to bear fruit for His kingdom.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. May God bless you richly as we continue to serve Him together.

With gratitude in Christ,

Kind Regards,

Angel Phipps

Admin Assistant



Stable NQ is looking for a **full-time Executive Administrator**, a key leadership role helping shape one of the most significant community events in North Queensland.

[Could this could be you? Help shape one of North Queensland's most impactful community events.](#)

Certificate of Appreciation



Thank you!

St James Cathedral

for partnering with us for

The Stable
CLUDEN
2025

Over 30,000 attendance in 5 nights

539 registered volunteers

Over 60 churches involved

90 businesses and community organisations

29 Food Trucks and Market Stall holders

Around 100 performers across 2 Stages

7,500 Melting Moments (we ran out!!!)

Over 1,000 balloon sculptures made

Few drops of rain





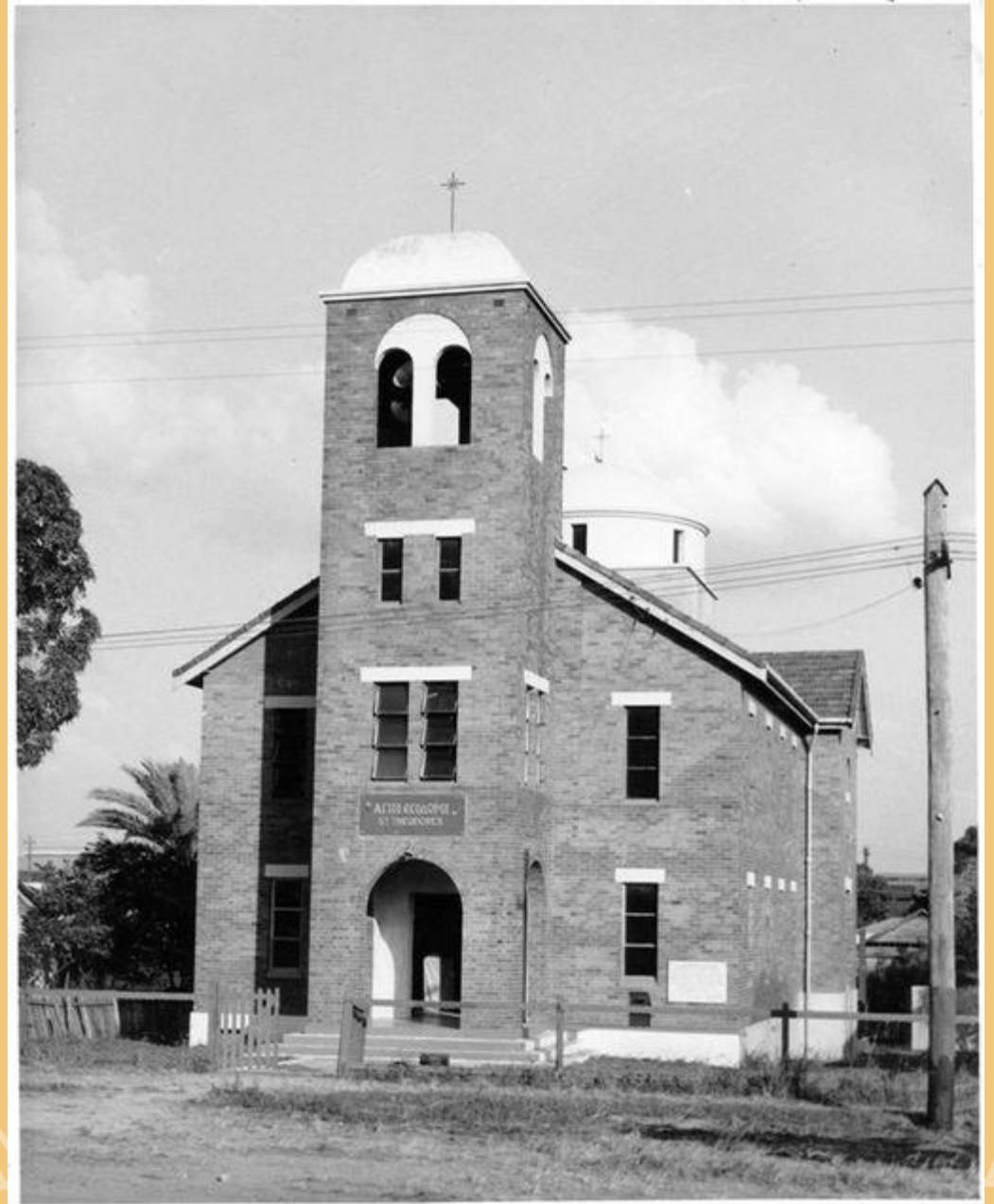
Laying of foundation stone for
Sts. Theodores' Greek Orthodox
Church, 1947

Let's look at some
HISTORY

The foundation stone of Townsville's Saints (named after 3 saints) Theodores Greek Orthodox Church was laid on March 16th, 1947.

In June 1950, it was officially opened and dedicated, though religious practice had commenced from 1948 while the building was still being completed.

1957



- [Townsville Daily Bulletin \(Qld. : 1907 - 1954\)](#)
- [Thu 14 Nov 1935 GREEK VISITORS.](#)

His Grace the Most Rev Archbishop Tlmotheos, expressed great appreciation for the assistance given him by the clergy of the Anglican Church in Townsville, particularly Dr. Feetham and Canon Cue.

THE CHURCHES.

At St. James' Cathedral tomorrow there will be a change in the order of the services, owing to the fact that His Grace the Eastern Orthodox Archbishop of Australasia, will take the Mass according to the Rites of the Eastern Orthodox Church in the Cathedral at 9 am. for the Greek Christians of our community. His Grace the Archbishop has consented to preach the sermon at Evensong at the Cathedral. We congratulate the Archbishop on being able to preach in the English language after so short a time in Australia; and specially since the Archbishop has been kept so busy ministering to his own people in his own language, throughout the whole of Australasia. The reunion of Christendom, which must be the desire of every Christian member of the community, is greatly strengthened by the friendly relations which exist between the Anglican and the Eastern Orthodox Churches, and by the fact that the Orthodox Church commands her children to use and value the ministrations of Anglican priests whenever the ministrations of their own priests are unavailable

[Townsville Daily Bulletin \(Qld. : 1907 - 1954\)](#) [Sat 2 Nov 1935 THE CHURCHES.](#)

We have for the last 40 years been permitted to use the hospitality of each other's Altars.

His Grace Timotheos Evagelos, the Orthodox Archbishop of Oceania, is my very good friend and when he comes to Townsville he sometimes honors me by accepting my hospitality. He has preached to us in our Cathedral and blessed us, in Greek, and the next time he comes I think he will be able to do it in English.

His Priests are always welcome to use our Altars for their faithful people.

The great scholars who are directing this movement tell me that complete organic reunion between Canterbury and the Easterns will be effected in 50 years, and it may come sooner than that. Now what do those Eastern Orthodox Christians want? They want unity. What kind of unity? Not an English unity, not a Roman unity, not a Greek unity merely, but a Catholic unity, and a correct use of that word Catholic is therefore something upon which all depends. DR. J. O. FEETHAM. 25 YEARS A BISHOP.

• [Townsville Daily Bulletin \(Qld. : 1907 - 1954\) Fri 20 May 1938 DR. J. O. FEETHAM.](#)

• [Townsville Daily Bulletin \(Qld. : 1907 - 1954\) Sat 15 Sep 1945](#)

• [THE CHURCHES](#)

THE CHURCHES

Holy Communion will be celebrated at St. James' Cathedral on Sunday at 6 a.m.. Sung Eucharist at 7 a.m. and 10 a.m.

A Greek Orthodox service will be held in the Cathedral at 8 a.m. Sunday School will be at 11 a.m. and Evensong at 7.30 p.m.

Greek Orthodox Church and School Building Fund

COMMUNITY OF TOWNSVILLE

Mr. P. Atherinos,
Box 37, G.P.O.,
TOWNSVILLE.
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Archdeacon Hohenhouse,
St. James Cathedral,
Melton Hill,
TOWNSVILLE.

Dear Sir,

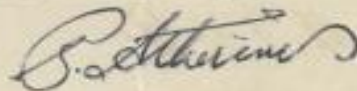
As assistant Secretary of the above I have been instructed to write and sincerely thank you for the great kindness you have shown towards us in allowing our Community to hold services in your deeply respected Cathedral.

After a long and trying struggle we have finally erected our own Church. Though not entirely completed we are fortunate to be able to hold services in it without hindering its completion. We are hoping it will be completed within the next twelve months.

We sincerely hope you will accept an invitation which we will be forwarding to you when the official opening takes place.

Thanking you on behalf of the Greek Community of Townsville.

I remain,
Yours sincerely.



Assistant Secretary.

More information would be appreciated

January 26th 1947



Michael Nicholas Bogiatzis, of Townsville,
married Miss Lita Keros, of Brisbane
Archbishop Timothens Evangelindis,
of the
Greek Orthodox Church of Australia and Oceania
performed the ceremony.
(Walters Studio, photo).

- Townsville Daily Bulletin (Qld. : 1907 - 1954) Fri 14 Feb 1947
Townsville Daily Bulletin (Qld. : 1907 - Thu 30 Jan 1947
T'VILLE WEDDING, GREEK ARCHBISHOP OFFICIATES



MR. AND MRS. M. BOGIATZIS. The bride was formerly Miss Lita Keros, of Brisbane. They were married at St. James' Cathedral, Townsville, recently.
(City Studios, photos.)

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KitchenAid



DO NOT waste your points

Althea would be happy with donations of any of this cookware

Earn credits until Tue
12 May 2026.
Redeem credits until
Tue 19 May 2026.
While stocks last.



📷 St Marks Belgian Gardens at Herberton could be sold soon by the Anglican Diocese of North Queensland. Picture: Supplied.



📷 Bishop Keith Joseph has revealed more details about the Anglican Diocese of North Queensland's plan to sell its properties in the region. Pictures: Supplied.

06 NEWS

Townsville Bulletin | Tuesday February 24, 2026

Church to sell NQ assets

Court approves sale of Anglican properties to pay abuse survivors

Leighton Smith

The supreme court has approved the sale of properties owned by the Anglican Diocese of North Queensland as part of a comprehensive restructuring plan designed to compensate child sex abuse survivors, while ensuring the church's financial sustainability.

The Anglican Diocese of North Queensland went into receivership last August, to allow it to keep paying victims of historic institutional child sex abuse, who were largely impacted between the 1950s and 1980s.

Independent turnaround specialists SV Partners were appointed as receivers and managers in to oversee the restructuring of the 148-year-old diocese's financial and operational affairs, who revealed it still faced between \$9-11m in potential future claims, in addition to \$9m in compensation already paid.

A comprehensive review of governance, finances, operations and property holdings was undertaken, and a renewal plan was presented to the court, which granted orders allowing the receivers to begin a staged-asset strategy as part of the restructuring process.

Working with receivers, the diocese earmarked numerous properties to sell throughout its NQ district, which stretches from Sarina in the South, to the Northern Territory border in the west, and Torres Strait to the north. These include the sale of four land blocks in Pentland, several rectories, and churches in the Townsville region including St John's South Townsville, St Margaret's Magnetic Island, and St Mark's Belgian Gardens.

Further afield, other church sales will include the heritage-listed Holy Trinity Church at Herberton, St James the Great in Mount Isa, St Ambrose in

North Mackay, and CATSIM in Cairns.

Townsville-based Bishop Keith Joseph said the changes were a "necessary and responsible step".

"We acknowledge the deep harm caused in the past and our obligation to respond with compassion, accountability and transparency. This structured process enables us to meet our responsibilities while safeguarding the future of the Church in North Queensland," Bishop Joseph said.

"The ministry continues throughout this process. Our parishes remain active, and we are working to ensure com-

munities are supported and informed as this renewal progresses."

Given the uncertainty that faced the Diocese due to its precarious financial position last year, Partner at SV Partners Michael Brennan said there was now a positive story to be shared.

SV Partners identified how much money the dioceses potentially owed, provided values for the assets on hand, and gave them a plan how to realise those assets, in a way that would generate more than what they owe victims (through a restoration fund), while also creating future fund

to support the organisation.

"They've gone from being looking down the barrel of closing, to the future's in our hands, so it's really up to them now as to how they want to proceed," Mr Brennan said.

"It takes a while for that to sink in, and hopefully what we can see is that hope start to flow through for them.

"We recognise that church properties hold deep spiritual and community significance. Any decisions will be made carefully under court supervision, with a focus on minimising disruption to parish life and maintaining continuity of ministry wherever possible."



📷 Bishop Keith Joseph, Anglican Diocese of North Queensland outside St James Cathedral



Praise



Repent



Ask



Yield



Do You Know Your Hymns?

Dentist's Hymn	. . .	Crown Him with Many Crowns.
Weatherman's Hymn	. . .	There Shall Be Showers of Blessings.
Contractor's Hymn	. . .	The Church's One Foundation.
Tailor's Hymn	. . .	Holy, Holy, Holy.
Golfer's Hymn	. . .	There's a Green Hill Far Away.
Politician's Hymn	. . .	Standing on the Promises!
Optometrist's Hymn.	. . .	Open My Eyes That I Might See.
IRS Agent's Hymn	. . .	I Surrender All.
Gossip's Hymn	. . .	Pass It On.
Electrician's Hymn	. . .	Send The Light..
Shopper's Hymn	. . .	Sweet Bye and Bye.
Realtor's Hymn	. . .	I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop.
Massage Therapist's Hymn.		He Touched Me.

AND for those who speed on the highway - a few hymns:

55 mph	. . .	God Will Take Care of You
75 mph	. . .	Nearer My God To Thee
85 mph	. . .	This World Is Not My Home
95 mph	. . .	Lord, I'm Coming Home
100 mph	. . .	Precious Memories

Give me a sense of humor, Lord, Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some humor out of life, And pass it on to other folks.