

ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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Amanda Sheridan & Andrew Millman, Assistant Principals
Sally Clarke, REC

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
 the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried;
 he descended into hell;
 on the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven, and
 is seated at the right hand of God the Father
 almighty;
 from there he will come to judge the living
 and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

In your charity, please pray for our sick

Steven Mauger, Paul Garnett, Yuki, Tracy Press, Bernie King, Kevin Burke, Patricia Owen, Anne McEvoy, Mary Sidaway, Rhonda Lawler, Bryan Burgess, Peter Leddy, Bruce Albans, Carol Costales, Jay-Rikilee-Addison Peachey, Sr. Deirdre Browne IBVM, Patrick Lawler, Judy Peachy, Gabriel Clarke, Claire Borchard, Fay Crocker, Lorraine Guyer, Fr John Willis, Sayde Baladia, Narelle Albans, Chris O'Sullivan, Julien Ryan, Patricia Jones, Ginavis Naw Pha Day, Jo O'Sullivan, Anna Gawlik, Catherine Robinson, Joan Guyer.

Our Deceased

Therese Middleton, Betty Yeaman, Nerida Hynes, Don Davidson, Marc Hogan, Margaret Hudson, Josip Jursic, Sharon Peachey, Josephine Carlos, Neville Herden, Val Butler, Wayne Solomons, Msgr. Kerry Bayada, Terry Mooney.

Anniversary of Death

Erlinda Silva, George Bada, Lima Gorman, Ralph Alonzo Bayliss, John Webster, Kevin Gorman, Jill Mifsud, Henry Mifsud

MINISTRY ROSTER

06–07 December– SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT - Year A

EMHC
 G. Smith
 Y. Benning
 K. Keating

Piety
 D. Sullivan
 R. Evans
 E. Hearne

Counters
 S. Cunneen & T. Hill

13–14 December– THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT - Year A

EMHC
 T. Tighe
 P. Long
 D. Stevens

Piety
 R. Stortenbeker
 H. McCluand
 J. McKenzie

Counters
 L & E Hearne

Saturday 5.30 pm
 Sunday 9.00 am
 Sunday 5.30 pm

Reader
 H. Harvey
 C. Kelly
 J. McKenzie

Saturday 5.30 pm
 Sunday 9.00 am
 Sunday 5.30 pm

Reader
 G. Smith
 A. Sheridan
 K. Ringland

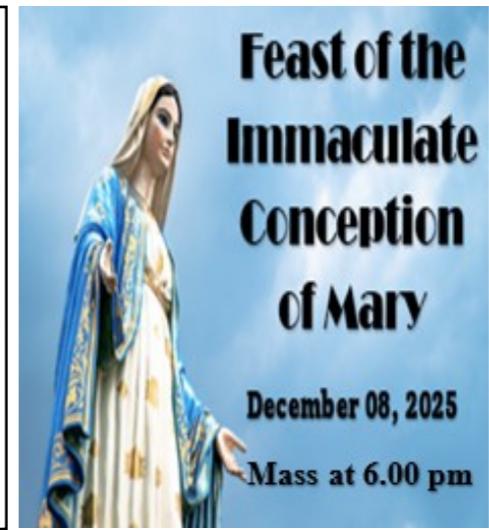
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT




We are delighted to announce that Mr Allem Alba, seminarian for the Diocese of Armidale and Brother Maximilian Streher, a professed brother of the Immaculata Community, will be ordained to the diaconate on Monday, 2 February 2026, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life.

The ordination will take place at 10:30am in the Cathedral, followed by a light lunch for all in the Torreggiani Room. All are warmly invited to attend and to mark this important date in your diary.

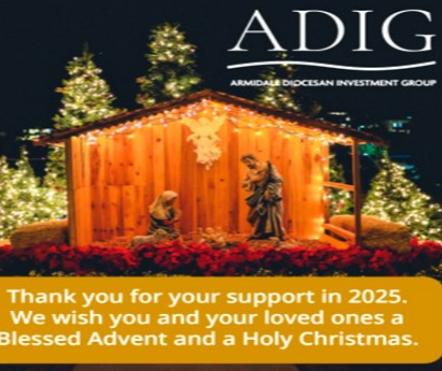
Professed members of the Immaculata Community belong to a juridic entity of the diocese. Although they are ordained into the presbyterate of the diocese, their primary vocation and obligations remain with their community.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

December 08, 2025

Mass at 6.00 pm



NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

REPLICA OF THE CATHEDRAL

The Pilgrim Replica of the Cathedral in Armidale is in our Church with the Relics of Saints. All are welcome to view and venerate the Holy Relics.

2026 Liturgy Roster

We will be starting to compile the Liturgy Roster for 2026. If you would like to become a Reader at Mass or assist on the Piety Stall, please contact the office at 6765 9543 or email at southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au

VOLUNTEER READERS EMHC & PIETY FOR HOLIDAY SEASON

If you are available to assist with the Liturgy over Christmas and Holiday season, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Heart of Peace (HOPE) is a social justice ministry of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale. Offering free and healthy meals for everyone. MHOC Church Hall, 72 Hillvue Road, South Tamworth every Wednesday.

NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: please email: hopekitchen2340@gmail.com
 Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/hopekitchen>

 Please ensure that your children are accompanied when leaving the Church during the Mass to go to the toilet or for any other reason.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1st Collection - \$ 778.45	Planned Giving - \$ 720.05
Loose - \$ 85.00	November EFT- \$ 2, 162.00
TAP (November)-\$ 247.78	

On Church Giving

To support the priests (active, sick, and retired) 1st Collection
A/C Name: St. Edwards Church Presbytery Savings Account
BSB: 082 105 **A/C No.:** 001023592

To support the Church (Planned Giving Program—PGP):
A/C Name: St. Edwards Church Suspense Account
BSB: 082 105 **A/C No.:** 001002950

Reference: First + Last Name

Reference: Envelope Number + Last Name

What return shall I make to the Lord, for all God has given me?

Thank you for making a gift to support the important work of our parish. We sincerely appreciate your generosity!

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Novena

15th -23rd December 2025

Monday – Friday

6:00 pm Holy Mass (English)

Saturday – Sunday

5:30 pm Holy Mass (English)

Christmas Eve

24th December

6:00 pm Holy Mass

(Children's Mass, English)

10:00 pm Holy Mass (English)

Christmas Day

25th December

9:00 am Holy Mass (English)

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

Monday 08.00 am

Immaculate Conception 06.00 pm

Tuesday 09.30 am

Wednesday 09.30 am

Thursday 09.30 am

Friday School Mass 10.00 am

Saturday 05.30 pm

Sunday 09.00 am

05.30 pm

1st Friday Adoration 08.15 am

1st Saturday Mass 09.30 am

3rd Saturday Mass Oak Tree Retirement Village 10.00 am

2nd/4th Sunday Mass Tamworth Age Care 11.00 am

Confessions

Saturday 04.45 pm to 05.15 pm

Sunday 08.15 am to 08.45 am

04.45 pm to 05.15 pm

Baptism

by appointment/Online booking:
<https://stedwardsparish.org.au/sacraments/>

Wedding, Anointing of the Sick & Funeral

By appointment

Sick List

If you would like to add someone to our sick list please use the "sick list prayer request form" placed in the blue folder at the foyer.

Visitation

If there is a parishioner whom you know would appreciate a visit from a priest or the SVdP, please contact the Parish Office.