

## ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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**Alison Hatton, School Principal**  
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**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

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

### Our Deceased

Dean William York, Kevin Lane, Concetta "Connie" Bruccoleri, Joyce Bevan, Anna Anderson, Trish Thornberry, Michael Joseph Markham, Ron Peachey, Peter Leddy, Therese Middleton, Betty Yeaman, Nerida Hynes, Don Davidson, Marc Hogan, Margaret Hudson, Josip Jursic, Sharon Peachey, Josephine Carlos, Neville Herden, Val Butlar, Wayne Solomons, Msgr. Kerry Bayada, Terry Mooney.

### Anniversary of Death

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

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call in you.

### WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

#### ROSARY GROUP

Meet in private homes at 10am on Wednesdays  
For information contact Dulcie Johns Ph: 6762 1092

#### MOTHERS' PRAYERS

Monday, prayers for our children and all children throughout the world. For more information contact Trish Tighe Ph: 0427657259

#### ST VINCENT de PAUL

##### St Edward's Visiting Conference

Meeting every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 4pm.

For more information contact Cathy Norvill Ph: 0421 591 046

#### PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP - White Ants

For more information or to join the White Ants Family Group ring Sandra Ph: 0408 659 971 or Kerry Ph: 0427 367 628

#### ST EDWARD'S CHOIR & MUSIC MINISTRY

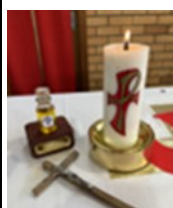
The St Edward's Parish Choir is always ready to welcome new members. For more information contact Liz Hearne Ph: 0403137810

#### ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL READING SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS

**When:** Any week day from 9-11am

**Where:** Infants and Primary campus

**What you need:** A volunteer Working With Children Check which can be obtained free of charge from Service NSW.  
Ring Primary School on 67657847 or Infants on 67658569



**"Anointing of the Sick" is a Sacrament that brings God's grace and healing to the sick and the elderly. Anointing can offer spiritual comfort, peace, and strength during times of illness and of old age.**

**Here in our parish, anointing will be every first weekend after each mass. Home-bound elderly parishioners, parishioners in hospital or in nursing homes can receive the anointing from a priest. A visit can be arranged by informing the parish and the priest.**

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



We are pleased to announce that Seminararian Allem Alba, whose home-parish is St Edward South Tamworth will be ordained to the order of Diaconate for the Diocese of Armidale on 2nd February 2026 at the Armidale Cathedral at 10:30 AM.

Let us continually pray for Seminararian Allem as he prepares for this solemn event.

### MISSIONARY ORDERS SPECIAL COLLECTION 2026

For a number of years, the diocese has taken up a special collection in support of the work the Missionary Orders, who have priests ministering here in the Diocese of Armidale, undertake in their own country.

The funds from these appeals will help to support the marginalised people in the local areas where the La Salette's (Philippines), Rogationists of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (India) and Oblates of Saint Joseph (Philippines) minister.

The Missionary Orders Special Collection will be held on **Sunday 8th February**.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

**The First Confession Information will be on  
Tuesday, 10th February at 5.30pm in the church.**

### NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### DIACONATE ORDINATION INVITATION

Parishioners are warmly invited to attend the diaconate ordination of Mr Allem Alba and Br Maximilian Streher at the Cathedral, 10.30am on Monday, 2 February.

Light refreshments will follow the ceremony in the Torreggiani Courtyard. For catering purposes please RSVP by Friday 23 January to the Chancery Office. Phone 6771 8700 or [chancery@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto:chancery@armidale.catholic.org.au)

If you will be attending please add your name to the Sign Up sheet in the foyer and we will RSVP for you. Unfortunately we will not be able to offer bus transport to Armidale. If you require transport please indicate on the Sign Up sheet.

#### LENTEN PROGRAM -2026

Because Lent starts early this year with **Ash Wednesday on February 18**, we are starting enrollments for Lenten program. This year we will be offering two groups on **Thursdays at 10.30am and 7.00pm commencing Thursday 19th February** in the meeting room of the Presbytery. We will be using the Wollongong Diocese Lenten Program "Compassio".

Please add your name to the sign up sheet in the foyer if you would like to join one of the groups. Lenten Book will be available from the Piety Stall for \$10.00 each. If you are unable to attend program sessions but would like to purchase the book for home devotion, please add your name to the sheet.

#### LITURGY ROSTER FOR 31 JANUARY-28 JUNE 2026

Liturgy Roster for the 1st half year is already send out to those in the Liturgy Lists. Printed copies are available at the foyer for those who don't have email address. Feel free to call or email the office if you change your email address so we can update your records.

**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](mailto: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

<b>1st Collection</b>	<b>- \$ 1,032.50</b>	<b>Planned Giving</b>	<b>- \$ 536.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>- \$ 75.20</b>		
<b>January EFT</b>	<b>- \$ 1,197.00</b>	<b>January TAP</b>	<b>- \$ 422.71</b>

### 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!**

### Special Collection

There will be a special collection this weekend for **Bro Allem Alba**

for those who wish to give, testimonial envelopes are available at the foyer.

### RESCHEDULE OF 1ST SUNDAY MORNING TEA

Our 1st Sunday morning tea will be moved on **February 8** after morning mass to give way for the Farewell of **Fr. Mario Avelino Mendoza Jr.**

Thank you for supporting our Parish for few months.

God bless you and your ministry in Gunnedah.

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### Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

#### Holy Mass

<b>Monday</b>	<b>07.30 am</b>
Tuesday	09.30 am
Wednesday	09.30 am
Thursday	09.30 am
Friday	09.30 am
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>05.30 pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>09.00 am</b> <b>05.30 pm</b>

<b>1st Friday Adoration</b>	<b>08.15 am</b>
<b>1st Saturday Mass</b>	<b>09.30 am</b>

<b>3rd Saturday Mass</b>	
<b>Oak Tree Retirement Village</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>

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

#### 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 SVP, please contact the Parish Office.

### MINISTRY ROSTER

**31-01 February - FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year A**

	<b>Reader</b>	<b>EMHC</b>	<b>Piety</b>	
Saturday 5.30 pm	G. Smith	K. Pearson	D. Sullivan	<b>Counters</b>
Sunday 9.00 am	A. Sheridan	B. Simpson	C. Norvill	J. MacRae & J. Milne
Sunday 5.30 pm	K Ringland	K. Keating	E. Hearne	

**07-08 February- FIFTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year A**

	<b>Reader</b>	<b>EMHC</b>	<b>Piety</b>	
Saturday 5.30 pm	G. Tighe	G. Smith	J. Milne	<b>Counters</b>
Sunday 9.00 am	S. Cunneen	Y. Benning	O. Robson	S. Cunneen & T Hill
Sunday 5.30 pm	A. Soehlakaw	D. Stevens	J. McKenzie	