



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

[Mary Help of Christians Church]

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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

Anna, Darrell Callinan, Andrew Mosey, 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

Maurice Bruccoleri, Susan Le Cerf, Lorraine Guyer, Bernie Callinan, Louise O'Halloran, Dean William York, Kevin Lane, Concetta "Connie" Bruccoleri, Joyce Bevan, Anna Anderson, Trish Thornberry, Michael Joseph Markham

Anniversary of Death

John Grace, Eamon Joseph McGoldrick, Timothy James McGoldrick, Kevin Frost, Thomas Gorman, Bernardo Camocamo, Mavis Parsons, Grahame Fisher, Kevin (Kim) Slat-tery,

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

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.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER OFFERING

Easter dues are for the support of the clergy, presbytery upkeep, sick and retired priests. Envelopes for Easter dues are in the PGP packs. Extra envelopes are available in the foyer. Dues may also be deposited direct to the Presbytery A/C.

Account Name: St Edward Presbytery Account

BSB: 082105 A/C: 001023592 Reference: Easter + last name

SPECIAL COLLECTION—HOLY LAND, GOOD FRIDAY 03 APRIL

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, 03 April. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, parishes and orphanage.

LENTEN PROGRAM

Thursday of Lent will be 10:30am and 7:00pm, feel free to join the reflection sessions at the Presbytery meeting room.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross is a Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death. For the remainder of Lent we will be praying the Stations of the Cross at 05.30pm on Fridays in the Church.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir for Easter urgently seeking new singers. The choir practice will be on **Wednesdays at 4:30 pm** in the church. All welcome to join.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please take home a Project Compassion box to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and for all future generations.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction.

EASTER MASS SCHEDULE 2026

Lenten Reconciliation	24 March	5.30pm
Palm Saturday Mass	28 March	5.30pm
Palm Sunday	29 March	9.00am 5.30pm
Holy Thursday	02 April	6.00pm
Good Friday		
Stations of the Cross	03 April	9.00am
Passion of the Lord	03 April	3.00pm
Holy Saturday Vigil Mass	04 April	6.00pm
Easter Sunday	05 April	9.00am 5.30pm



Heart of Peace (HOPE) is a social justice ministry of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Armidale. Offering free and healthy meals for everyone. MHOCC 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 - \$	748.60	Planned Giving - \$	606.00
Loose - \$	91.80		
February EFT - \$	1,332.00	February TAP - \$	112.56

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

Reference: First + Last Name

To support the Church (Planned Giving Program—PGP):

A/C Name: St. Edwards Church Suspense Account

BSB: 082 105 A/C No.: 001002950

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!

CHRISM MASS 2026

The Bishop invites all parishioners to join him and the priest of the Diocese at the **CHRISM MASS on 31st March, 2026, at 11 am** in the Cathedral and followed with a light lunch in the Torreggiani room. The Parish may hire mini bus and will cost **\$15 to \$20 each** depending on the number of parishioners who will join. Please sign up from the sheet in the foyer for bus hire. **Departure from the Parish will be at 8:30 am.**

PARISH SPECIAL GATHERING AND MASS FOR HOMEBOUNDS

Everyone is invited to join and gather as one in a Eucharistic Celebration for "Homebounds" on **7th April at 2:00 pm** followed by "Afternoon Tea". Volunteers are welcome to help elderly homebounds to come to the church.

Schedule of Masses & Sacraments

Holy Mass

Monday		08.00 am
Tuesday	SCHOOL MASS	09.30 am
Wednesday		09:30 am
Thursday		09.30 am
	FUNERAL	02.00 pm
Friday		09.30 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.

MINISTRY ROSTER

21- 22 March— FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Year A

Reader	EMHC	Piety	Counters
Saturday 5.30 pm H. Harvey	G. Smith	J. Milne	
Sunday 9.00 am A. Sheridan	Y. Benning	O. Robson	R. Gorman & G. Crocker
Sunday 5.30 pm K. Ringland	S. Grace	J. McKenzie	

28- 29 March— PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD

Reader	EMHC	Piety	Counters
Saturday 5.30 pm G. Tighe	T. Tighe	D. Sullivan	
Sunday 9.00 am School Mass	B. Simpson	F. Moloney	P. & C. Frost
Sunday 5.30 pm A. Soehlakaw	K. Keating	C. Frost	